



15 ACCESS TO
BASIC SERVICES

Objective 15 of the Global Compact for Migration:

Provide access to basic services for migrants... Incorporate the health needs of migrants in national and local health care policies and plans.



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Luxembourg

- Since 2017, the government provides free physical and psychological health care to those who have applied for international protection
- In addition to having access to interpreters, referrals to specialized care is also possible

Close collaboration between government ministries (including foreign affairs and health) is essential for the success of this policy.

Chile

- The government implemented a local-level program to provide physical and psychosocial health care to migrants in transit
- 9,962 encounters were carried out in 2021 and an assistance network is being set up

An emergency response to provide protection to vulnerable migrants can also become institutionalized into public policy

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Key resources on the topic

[Policy brief: Enhancing Access to Services for Migrants in the Context of COVID-19 Preparedness, Prevention, Response and Beyond](#) - UN Network on Migration

"The engagement of migrants themselves as key stakeholders in the community, will be a vital element for the sustainability of national plans."

[Migration Health Research Portal](#) - International Organization for Migration (IOM)

Launched in 2018, this portal gathers IOM's migration health related projects, publications and evidence bulletins in one global repository.

[Women on the move: Migration, care work and health](#) - World Health Organization (WHO)

"Member States should work across sectors to realize the right to health of this population group as rights-holders, and contribute to UHC through ensuring access to all health and social services without discrimination and regardless of their citizenship, and legal or socioeconomic status. "

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