Identifying problems of access to primary healthcare for Eastern European migrant workers in the UK, using Goole as a case study

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Aims

This research, for a Masters dissertation, aimed to find out about the health needs of migrant worker new arrivals from Eastern Europe and identify the obstacles they face in accessing primary healthcare.

Methodology

The research is a case study in Goole including a literature review and five semi-structured interviews with health and pubic sector representatives.

Key issues

Key findings relate to barriers to accessing the health system for Eastern European migrants: language as a barrier; lack of understanding of the health system and procedures; lack of integration with the local community; obstacles for GP registration; long hours in work; mobility; and lack of trust in the system.

Recommendations

The dissertation provides recommendations at a local and national level for improving access to primary healthcare including providing information; building trust; and bringing stakeholders together.

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