Exclusion from service consumption in Polish health care system

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ABSTRACT

Purpose: The scientific objective of this research was to determine social groups affected by exclusion in Polish health care.

Materials and methods: Survey was carried out among local government units and non-governmental organizations by using authorial questionnaire distributed towards representative research group selected.

Results: This work depicts activities of social welfare centers in cooperation with non-profit sector entities, in the field of exclusion from the access to health care benefits in Poland, appointing circumstances, causes and the range of this exclusion. It presents the results of the countrywide research in the context of structure and tasks of the health care, but also two points of view (institutional and social one) for resolving the same population issues.

Conclusions: On the basis of the conducted analyses it has been stated that social exclusion, in the field of health care, is a significant social problem, but the biggest difficulty is the access to the rehabilitation benefits and pharmacological therapy.

Key words: social exclusion, non-governmental organizations, health care

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