Access to health for migrant women

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Migration profiles in the Region are changing, and there are increasingly more women in the migrant population.
The health risks of migrant women are heightened by gender inequalities, limiting their autonomy and leading to the violation of their rights.
More data is needed on migrant women to better understand their needs and to eliminate the barriers to access to health.
Violence, abuse and rape not only contribute to the migration of women, but are also important problems which affect their health throughout the migration process.
Access to health throughout the migration process is key for empowering women and girls.
There is an urgent need to ensure protection and access to health without stigma and discrimination and with dignity for all migrant women.