International Migrants' Right to Sexual and Reproductive Health Care

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Abstract
International migration puts people's sexual and reproductive health (SRH), particularly those of women and children, at increased risk. However, many international migrants are denied access to timely and adequate SRH information, goods, and services by governments and/or service providers. This workshop reviews the barriers frequently faced by migrants in accessing SRH care and highlights the incongruence between these barriers and international human rights norms, including the guarantee of the rights to health and non-discrimination. Particular attention will be paid to the views issued by the Human Rights Committee in 2018 in Toussaint v Canada, which found the Canadian government's hindrance of migrants' access to health care a violation of the rights to life and equality based on immigration status. The implication of this case on migrants' health care entitlement in Canada will also be explored

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