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Health Disparities in Marginalized Populations: Exploring the Interplay of Socioeconomic Factors and Access to Healthcare

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Abstract: Health disparities persist as a significant challenge in public health, particularly among marginalized populations. This paper examines the multifaceted interplay between socioeconomic factors and access to healthcare in perpetuating health disparities. Drawing upon existing literature, this paper discusses the underlying mechanisms contributing to these disparities, including income inequality, education level, employment status, racial and ethnic discrimination, geographic location, and immigration status. Additionally, it explores the impact of social determinants of health and healthcare system factors on the health outcomes of marginalized populations. The paper concludes by proposing comprehensive strategies to address health disparities, emphasizing the importance of policy interventions, community-based initiatives, and healthcare system reforms in achieving health equity for all.

Keywords: Health disparities, marginalized populations, socioeconomic factors

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