Examples of health inequalities and improving health equity

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Estimated odds of reporting poor or very poor general health by socioeconomic characteristics, 25 EU Member States*, 2010

Level of education
- None or pre-primary (0)
- Primary (ISCED 1)
- Lower secondary (2)
- Upper secondary (3)
- Post-secondary, non-tertiary (4)
- Tertiary (5&6) - BASELINE

Income distribution
- Lowest decile
  - 1st-4th
  - 5th-9th
- Highest decile - BASELINE

Material deprivation
- 4+ items
- 3 items
- 2 items
- 1 item
- 0 items - BASELINE

Odds ratio
- 3 variables in the model
- 1 variable in the model

Source: Health inequalities in the EU
Life-course pathway from early life origins to inequality in mortality mediated by smoking, British 1946 birth cohort

Percentage smoking by difficulties experienced in paying bills, 2012

Difficulties in paying bills

- Almost never
- From time to time
- Most of the time

Percent smoking
World Health Assembly Resolution
May 2009

• All member states:
  – Tackle health inequities through action on the social determinants of health
  – Impact of polices and programmes on health inequities;
  – Health equity in global development goals
UN sustainable development goals:

1. No Poverty
2. Zero Hunger
3. Good Health and Well-being
4. Quality Education
5. Gender Equality
6. Clean Water and Sanitation
7. Affordable and Clean Energy
8. Decent Work and Economic Growth
9. Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
10. Reduced Inequalities
11. Sustainable Cities and Communities
12. Responsible Consumption and Production
13. Climate Action
14. Life Below Water
15. Life on Land
16. Peace and Justice, Strong Institutions
17. Partnerships for the Goals

http://www.globalgoals.org/
Health is a human right
Do something
Do more
Do better
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