

Underlying Determinants of Health

Underlying determinants of health: What are the underlying determinants of health and public health services to which everyone should be entitled under the FCGH? How do these compare to those included in General Comment 14 (see footnote 3) and major public health areas (see footnote 4)? Should areas covered by one but not the other (e.g., housing) be included in the FCGH? If the FCGH financing framework covers all underlying determinants of health, should cost be a consideration in what the FCGH includes?

Underlying determinants and standard-setting: Can, or how can, the FCGH set binding standards for the more complex underlying determinants of health, such as healthy environments? Would it include standards covering only certain key areas most directly related to health (e.g., indoor and outdoor air pollution levels of the most harmful pollutants)?