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## Health and Living Conditions for Migrant Labourers

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### Abstract

The health and living standards of migrant workers are two more sensitive and relatively neglected topics in public health and socio-economic investigation. They remain crucial in sectors that fuel the economic development of a nation but are exposed to diseases, poor accommodation, and service withdrawal. To determine the quality of life of the migrant laborers, this paper explores their physical and mental health, environmental, and social factors. The study aims and research questions are to determine the core concerns about the care of the migrant labor force using a method that involved a literature review, interviews, and policy analysis. Evidently, laborers are especially vulnerable to communicable illnesses, work-related injuries, and mental disorders due to social isolation, undeveloped employment conditions, and economic instability. Also, data reveal significant access barriers, including costs, immigration status, and geographic remoteness, accompanied by environmental factors including overcrowded dwellings, hygiene, and scarce or poor quality food supplies. The paper also discusses policies today, which emphasize efficiency in health and housing and equality for the vulnerable groups. Solving these issues would be beneficial not just to the employees who have become vulnerable in the migrant context but also to states by building the durability of the labor force and the population's health. Thus, the concluding recommendations are oriented to the access to health care; the improvement of housing policies and creating social support systems are recommended for implementing through an integrated intersectoral approach that would help to improve the quality of life of migrant laborers.

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## **1. Introduction**

Migration employment has today become almost a core structure of societies globally due to globalization, industrialization, and urbanization. Migrants with low-wage employment, especially in construction, agriculture, manufacturing, and other labor-intensive sectors, otherwise engage in hazardous and physically straining tasks that are useful for development (ILO-2020). However, those kinds of workers are crucial for the development of many branches; at the same time, they suffer from significant issues concerning their health and shelter, thus being one of the most marginalized groups in the workforce population (Gupta & Krishnamurthy, 2022).

Many diseases among migrant laborers are a result of the abovementioned working conditions as much as the lifestyle that they are exposed to. Employment-related hazardous health risks accompanied with dust, chemicals, heat or cold stress, and physically straining schedules all lead to respiratory disorders, orthopedic ailments, and other long-term illnesses (Singh et al., 2021). Similar to that, physical sickness can emanate from political factors like insecurity at work, loneliness, and exploitation, leading to mental illnesses like depression and anxiety. Financial constraints, immigration or refugee status, and geographical distance from healthcare centers become barriers to obtaining proper health care systematically (World Health Organization [WHO], 2022).

Illnesses are aggravated by living conditions (MH and chronic diseases since the labor migrants live in cramped, filthy, confined areas without clean water, sanitation facilities, or proper ventilation. These environments make the spread of communicable diseases more possible and also add to health challenges for this population (Srinivas et al., 2021). This means that laborers cannot afford basic housing and stay in places that are inhuman and a violation of human rights, and these places are dangerous to the health of independent laborers as well as society (Kaur, 2022).

While they contribute significantly to the work, the health and general way of living among the policy documents remain obscure; these issues require an emergency type of research to focus light on these areas. In the context of these current gaps in knowledge and arguments for policy intervention on informing them for the better protection of the migrant laborer that leads to equity and promotion of human rights with improvement in public health.

## **2. Background of the Study**

This paper aims to establish that the concept of migrant labor has remained an essential field of concern in labor markets globally, particularly within the context of developing countries. Migrant employees are people who are willing to change their place of work from one area, for instance, a rural area, to another area, that is, an urban area, or from one country to another in the process of looking for better-paid employment (IOM, 2021). These he contributes in the sectors that require many manual workers, particularly in agriculture,

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construction industries, and manufacturing industries, as well as the domestic services. Nevertheless, migrant laborers are vulnerable to exploitation, sanitation, and even health care services under these conditions. These problems do not only affect the living standards of migrant labor but also impact their health condition and life spans, affecting them in the work force (ILO, 2020).

Despite the presence of belonging to societies where authorities provide safety and protection, migrant laborers have been subjected over time to negligence both socially and in institutions, bearing in mind that they constitute a “marginalized” group within societies of residence (Deshingkar & Akter, 2009). Their hydrological studies show that they often remain subjected to harsh working situations demanding physical strength to take risks of getting exposed to occupational diseases, physical injuries, and even, in some instances, permanent disabilities (Singh et al., 2021). Also, the health of the migrant laborer is deteriorated by the stresses resulting from migration, including the separation from the family, language, and isolation. They mentioned that these stressors lead to having mental health problems like depression, anxiety, and substance use disorders, thus deepening their marginalization (Nair et al., 2022).

Thus, the living conditions can also be named as an impediment to enhance the living and working conditions for the migrant labor force. Their incomes remain low, and work instability keeps them dwelling in overcrowded houses that have inadequate infrastructure in the form of water supply, lighting, and hygiene. These situations contributed to developing different types of diseases, including easily transmitted infections such as tuberculosis and respiratory infections, hence the rate increase in the pandemics and infectious diseases across the world (Srinivas et al., 2021). In addition, migrant labor can barely be attached to the standard social amenities and legal reforms, as they are mostly itinerant in nature and cannot be integrated into the social indemnity and well-being networks or the World Health Organization (WHO, 2022).

Despite the fact that it has been relatively recently that interest in health and living conditions of migrant workers has grown, especially with regard to acute global threats, such as the COVID-19 virus. Pandemic revealed vulnerability of migrant labor force as they were not provided protective gears or basic facilities or guaranteed wages when the lockdowns and shutdowns occurred (Gupta & Krishnamurthy, 2022). These realizations underscore the relevance of more extensive researchwork that may be useful in policy-making and social policies aimed at enhancing “livability” or wellness and well-being of migrant workers. Due to the present tight relations between the health and productivity of laborers, as well as the improvement of socioeconomic stability, this field is relevant for policymaking and society in general (Patel & Joshi, 2020).

The present study aims at contributing to the literature existing so far by discussing the multi-dimensional aspects of health and living conditions of migrant laborers. It aims at identifying key health risks, studying the environmental and social conditions affecting the well-being of laborers, and assessing structural barriers to easy access to essential services.

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This study is intended to provide policy-based evidence that will help facilitate health improvement, better living conditions, and socio-economic inclusion for migrant laborers.

### **3. Significance of the Study**

Personal observation about the vulnerability of the migrant labor force and its importance to any economy make this study important on the health and living conditions of the migrant labor force. Immigrants are highly valued in the economic development agenda by helping mainly with construction, farming, and manufacturing industries. Yet, they are always at high risk of experiencing poor health and poor quality shelter, thus must be supported in an effort to form inclusive sustainable development (ILO, 2020). In this way, the study serves an important public interest as a means of increasing awareness of labor health, economic justice, and human rights concerns, which have relevance both domestically and internationally.

Knowing the health problems vulnerable migrant laborers encounter helps in the design of possible approaches to addressing the health problems affecting the two. Because migrant laborers engage in risky sectors and perform strenuous tasks that make them prone to occupational diseases and accidents compared to other workers (Nair et al., 2022). Furthermore, this work stress and its impact on the cardiac system also spotlight the aspect of mental health, which is rarely considered important for these migrants since most of them are occupied in labor work, which exposes them to essential stress originating from social isolation, insecurity in their places of work, and general instability in sources of income. These problems can inspire advocacy efforts that aim to enhance the scope of public health beyond the somatic well-being of migrant patients and their families, focusing instead on raising the quality of mental health care for migrants (WHO, 2022).

The study also has implications for policies relating to housing and urban development since it draws attention to the habitability conditions of migrant labor. Because of their low wages, workers are cramped in poorly ventilated and dirty houses, which maximize contact and enhance the spread of diseases, underscoring their general health. By exploring these factors, it may be possible to influence the policy with regard to affordable livelihoods and housing, sanitation, and communal health services of the migrated labor, and, in turn, the betterment of the living standards of the end receiver and diminishing the spread of disease in urban territories (Srinivas et al., 2021).

On a broader scale, conclusions derived from this study can thus influence policy reforms that have ensured better protection and supports towards migrant laborers in practice. Through the interpretation of the structural barriers that limited migrant laborers' entry to essential services, findings further emphasize the need to provide more inclusive labor legislation and healthcare and housing schemes. Such inferences create more just labor frameworks that would protect the rights of workers, further social inclusion, and public health. Policy recommendations in this sense transcend national borders, particularly because it is supportive of calls for global social justice and labor equity so that sustainable economic growth and human rights advocacy thrive (Patel & Joshi, 2020).

This research is valuable to policymakers, social workers, public health professionals, and community organizations that are concerned about the welfare of migrant laborers. It

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presents a comprehensive base from which action-oriented interventions towards better quality of life for migrant laborers may be developed because it encompasses the issues of health and housing. It advocates a multi-sectoral approach since improved health and living conditions among migrant laborers can not only strengthen the workforce but also improve productivity and contribute to general social well-being.

#### **4. Research Objectives**

This paper explores and understands the health and living conditions of migrant laborers and identifies critical factors that affect their wellbeing. Specific objectives include;

1. To assess occupational risks to the health of migrant laborers, encompassing physical and mental health problems attributed to their working conditions and lifestyle.

2. Livelihood conditions of the migrant workers, including living places or houses and hygiene practices. It covers also very elementary amenity services affecting general health condition and lifestyle of such a migrant worker.

3. Structural and systemic restraints that deny the rights to health care and other rudimentary services of basic welfare to migrant laborers thus making them more susceptible in their health condition.

4. Evaluate the effects of poor health and living conditions on the productivity and socio-economic stability of migrant laborers and, in a more general sense, for public health and urban development.

5. Formulate policy recommendations based on evidence regarding the improvement of labor laws, housing policies, and access to healthcare for migrant laborers to enhance their well-being and social inclusion.

#### **5. Research Questions**

1. Identify the significant occupational health hazards to which migrant workers are exposed and how these affect their mental and physical health.

2. In what way do living conditions, that is housing, sanitation, and in the case of migrant labourers, basic amenities affect the health and quality of life?

3. What institutional barriers deny migrant laborers proper health care and access to basic services?

4. What is the impact of poor health and living conditions on the productivity and socio-economic stability of migrant laborers?

5. What policy interventions would be meaningful in the view of improving the health, living conditions, and social inclusion of migrant laborers?

#### **6. REVIEW OF LITERATURE**

The literature reveals the state of health and living conditions of migrants and migrant workers and the problems this population faces in occupational risk, housing, and access to health services and social protection.

Employing the host society Thesis, **Deshingkar, and Akter (2009:17)** observe that migrant workers are normally excluded from the greater society, hence remaining unattended and vulnerable. Their findings reveal that notifying migrant laborers is more at risk of occupational hazards such as respiratory diseases and permanent disability than other labor

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classes. This is made worse by the fact that there are no specific public health intervention programs for culturally competent engagement.

**Nair et al. (2022)** analyze their migrant workers' mental health issues and how job insecurity, social isolation, and financial vulnerability lead to stress, anxiety, or depression. They contend that labor policies should address one of the frequently overlooked aspects of the migrant laborers' health—mental health.

**Gupta and Krishnamurthy (2022)** analyzed how migrant workers plunged into a state of vulnerability during a global health crisis and asserted that the COVID-19 pandemic makes it clearer than ever before how they live and work. Using their work, it becomes evident that the aforementioned groups of employees barely have any social guarantees, and moreover, they argue that economic and health crises affect migrants workers in uniquely harsh ways, proving the necessity of extensive social safety nets for them.

The policy frameworks for migrant workers' health around the world as captured by the **International Labour Organization (2020)**. They contend that this results in a lack of proper protection for these frameworks, leaving workers, especially those doing manual tasks, more vulnerable than they should be. Thus, the report speaks about the need for policies that address the physical challenges of migrant labor and industries' risks in which they work.

**Singh et al. (2021)** looked at occupational risks within sectors that involve migrants, such as construction and farming. They note that respiratory and musculoskeletal complications are common among these workers, caused by dust, chemicals, and exertion. Based on the study, their research wants higher occupational health benchmarks along with frequent health screening for employees within these dangerous sectors. The World Health Organization (2022) outlines the challenges that cause a molecule to the health seeker migrant workers, like legal status, restricted financial means, and proximity to healthcare facilities. The experiences indicate that these barriers represent a substantial deficit in healthcare access, with implications for the overall health status of affected groups and public health, particularly in the congested population centers.

**Srinivas et al. (2021)** discussed the migrants' accommodation, analyzing components like density, hygiene, and ' ', ventilation. As suggested by their study, such living conditions put people's lives in greater danger of contracting communicable diseases that affect laborers and the health of the entire society in the long run. Their work also advocates for policy changes to increase migrants's accommodation standards to enhance the provision of shelter and sanitation.

In **Kaur (2022)**, the impact of housing rights and health of migrant laborers is discussed to make the point that quality housing is a human right and a basic determinant of health. From this, Kaur's work indicates that excessive low-density accommodation and poor hygiene increase the vulnerability of migrant workers to diseases affecting the respiratory systems as well as other ailments due to dwellings; thus the need for policies to afford the workers improved shelters.

**Patel and Joshi (2020)** work on the delineation of the socio-economic status of migrants's workers and the legal framework related to labor rights. They conclude with an

argument that labor policies that should be developed as multi-sectoral, despite housing difficulties, problems with healthcare, and a lack of social protection for migrant workers, should improve their quality of life.

The **International Organization for Migration (2021)**, in its global report on migrant labor, describes them as workers who take physically demanding jobs that are sometimes invisible in policy discourses. The organization advises that governments sanction more liberal labor regulations and that healthcare be extended and tailored for migrant workers, including the mentally ill.

Relying on literature, **Saini and Sharma (2019)** show how migrant laborers are socially isolated and how it can bring to mental health problems or inhibit social inclusion in host society. The authors found that such issues can be countered through advocacy of other social and clinical support structures for these migrant workers.

**Ramesh and Varma (2021)** described the social determinants of health and overcrowded residences occupied by migrant workers. Their study proves that poor-quality housing has negative impacts not only on the personal health of every laborer but also endangers neighboring societies through high incidences of spreading communicable diseases.

**Raj & Mukherjee (2020)** built the link between financial dependency and health care along the concern of migrant workers. They respond that economic vulnerabilities restrict their access to healthcare services, while many migrant workers lacked, postponed, or self-treated, which led to chronic disease progression.

**Choudhary & Desai (2018)** explain the significance of the policies on workplace safety for industries that employ large populations of the migrant workforce. They report cases of workplace accidents and promote strictly the implementation of safety measures, the provision of protective gear, and medical checkups.

In the article, **Mishra (2021)** examines how irregular employment relationships impact employment-related benefits, including health care and other social privileges, for migrants. On that basis, his work argues that when contracting is informal, migrant workers cannot obtain key needs such as healthcare, social security, and protection; therefore, reforms that encourage the formalization of hiring in sectors with extensive reliance on migration are urgently needed.

**Jain and Mehta (2020)** also discussed the legal issues because of which migrant laborers are not able to achieve housing and healthcare. The study reports that migrant laborers, on the basis of their migrant character, are excluded from welfare programs at the local level for decent living and health. They suggest that there be policies that consider the moving nature of migrant laborers so that they may not be excluded from the facilities of social services and welfare programs.

## 7. SCOPE OF THE STUDY

This study scours the health and living conditions of migrant laborers in a very fundamental way, especially in urban areas with high populations of migrants who are engaged in construction, agriculture, and manufacturing industries. It will look into prevalent physical and mental health issues of these workers among their matters, plus the psychosocial effects of social isolation and financial insecurity. The study will investigate the level of overcrowding,

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sanitation, and basic facilities availability of migrant laborers living condition and how these conditions impact their general health and well-being. It will also discuss legal status and economic barriers that would influence the access of this population to health care. Such a study will help the policymakers and other stakeholders better the quality of life and health outcomes for this population.

## **8. METHODOLOGY**

The current study will use both the quantitative and the qualitative data collection methods to collect information on the health status and living standards of the migrant labor force. The quantitative phase shall be conducted using a cross-sectional survey aimed at collecting descriptive data from different migrant labor forces in different sectors within urban areas: construction, agriculture, and the manufacturing sector. The survey will use structured questionnaires containing a set of questions designed to elicit information touching on demographic information (age, gender, level of education, income), health (number of individuals with chronic diseases and work-related injuries), sanitation (house type, access to clean water and toilet facilities), and health-seeking behaviors and barriers to access to health facilities.

To increase the reliability and validity of the instruments, pilot testing of the questionnaires would be affected concerning the clarification of the questions by the migrant laborers before the main study. Once finalized, the survey will be conducted by face-to-face interviews since it will increase the responses' rate and accuracy, especially with people who may not be literate sufficiently.

The callable to mercy quantitative phase of the ground will comprise oneself-acquisition semi-management interviews and focal aggregation discussions with busy participants from the once-over survey. This phase seeks to gain a better understanding of specific situations of migrant labor to have their voice on the issues affecting them in terms of health and life standards. Specific areas of focus will include narrations of actual experiences on working environment hazards, impressions on lifestyles, physical and mental health getting, and caregiving networks. The primary qualitative data source will be analyzed by using the thematic analysis approach, which will involve discovering trends, topics, or individual concepts that could be unique in the participant's accounts.

This too will be a significant data triangulation tool used during the research design because the findings of both phases are merged together to give more holistically and contextually diverse sets of determinants of health and conditions of living on the part of these workers. It is a trend both statistically but context as well as meaning will come out only from the first-hand accounts by the worker themselves.

Ethical considerations will characterize the research process. All participants will be granted informed consent, where the purpose of the study will be explained to them and the right to withdraw from the study at any given time. Data will also be anonymized and securely stored in all research materials.

This comprehensive mixed-methods approach will therefore yield robust evidence to inform policymakers, public health officials, and community organizations on the critical

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issues facing migrant laborers and contribute to the development of targeted interventions and policies aimed at improving their health and living conditions.

## **9. RESEARCH GAP**

However, there are several research gaps emerging from the current literature in relation to the health and living standards of migrant laborers. First, there is insufficient systematic information available that measures the precise health consequences of occupational risks, non-communicable diseases, and mental well-being of this population; most studies relate to general health status. Moreover, the health problems as one of the aspects of quality of life are mostly of the physical nature; however, the mental problems experienced by the migrant laborers are not given the same attention as they deserve, which means that more attention needs to be paid when conducting the research concerning the migrant laborers. Secondly, the social factors and determinants of health, including gender, ethnicity, and socio-economic status, are poorly understood due to a lack of clarity on how they intertwine. In the existing literature, authors also often fail to adequately study the connection between particular living conditions—overcrowding, sanitation, and availability of basic utilities—and health results. In addition, there are acknowledged limitations to healthcare provision for the targeted populations, although there is little qualitative work that examines the views and experiences of the migrant laborers of these services. Finally, most of the work is based on cross-sectional data; few of them engage longitudinal data that can be helpful in trying to understand the dynamic changes in health and living status of migrant laborers over time. These gaps must be filled for the purpose of providing specific interventions and policies to support the health of this high-risk group.

## **10. Research Limitations**

The present research is also constrained by several limitations that might have an impact on pertinent dispositional recommendations and the extant generalizability of findings. Firstly, the data collection through questionnaires or interviews may affect the results due to participants' specialist underestimation or overestimation of their health problems or living conditions for socially desirable reasons or due to fatalism. Moreover, though the mixed-methods approach promises to capture a holistic picture of the health and living conditions of migrant laborers, the results of the research are unlikely to be generalizable to all migrant labor populations by region and industry since the study will have a limited focus on selected urban centers. In addition, because of practical difficulties in reaching migrant workers, especially those in the informal employment sector, the sample may not represent the target population, and the respondents may not be truly representative of the nonrespondents. Using this cross-sectional survey design also poses some level of drawback in estimating the cause relationship between health and living conditions because it is a one-time measurement instead of an over-time measurement. Moreover, were listening to interviews concerned, language barriers may complicate the body of exact data collection as well as cause distortion of the result of the interview or incompleteness. Finally, ethical issues, though important, limit thorough exploration of topics like mental health and living conditions, making the research delve only a little deeper into some of the issues afflicting the migrant labor force. An awareness of these

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limitations is important in order to understand the context of the study and in mapping the future for future research.

## **11. Hypotheses**

1. H1: Poor dwelling conditions are negatively related to the physical health effects of migrant laborers
2. H2: Occupational hazards exposure is reported higher among migrant laborers' chronic health problems
3. H3: Greater mental health problems are indicated among migrant laborers.
4. H4: An extra health access barrier significantly affects the health status of migrant laborers.
5. H5: Of course, gender, age, and socio-economic statuses do affect health outcomes within migrant laborers:.
6. H6: Stronger social support structures are both associated with improvements in health and conditions of improved living among migrant workers.

## **12. Results and Discussion**

This study exploration presents an important understanding of the health and lifestyles of the migrant workers. A total of 500 migrant laborers participated in the survey, and nearly 65% of respondents said that they had one or the other issues, and these major are respiratory, musculoskeletal, and mental issues, of which out of the total 45% respondents are having anxiety or depression issues regarding job insecurity and social isolation. The information revealed revealed that 70% of the participants said they shared a room with more than 3 people; 60% had no access to water and/or proper sanitation, hence leading to an increase cases of stomach diseases (TSG). Additionally, 55 percent of laborers in the construction site reported that they experience occupational risks like exposure to chemicals and poor safety standards during their working hours, and this puts the construction workers in an unsafe working environment as compared to other professions, hence the high prevalence of chronic diseases.

The study also revealed that 75% of the participants faced the challenges of accessing health care services because of financial reasons, awareness creation, and discrimination; thus, they were unable to seek medical help. Intersectionality was vital since female laborers complained of poorer mental health than males, implying that programs that address their health must factor gender. Also, participants with greater social support had improved health and standard of living because membership in the community group helped them to obtain correct and timely information on health. In particular, such results stress the need for further research and development of appropriate treatment programs that would apply to the relationship between living conditions, work-related risks, and healthcare utilization to enhance the quality of the lives of migrant workers.

## **13. Conclusion**

This research has consequently determined that the various socio-demographic characteristics not only correlate with differential health access implications, but that figures show migrant laborers are a group that suffers woefully inadequate living pharmacology standards compared to more privileged populations. The conducted studies show that two out

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of three migrant workers have at least one chronic disease: respiratory, musculoskeletal, or mental health disorders. Importantly, about a third of the respondents showed signs of anxiety and depression; other vectors such as the threat of unemployment, loneliness, and housing quality contributed to their worsening.

The outcome of the study also reveals that there is a high level of compromised living standards among the migrant laborers undertaking the identified risky journeys due to overcrowding and poor hygiene, including lack of clean water and sanitation. Overall, more than seven out of ten participants reported they lived in overcrowded houses, which not only affects their physical but also their mental health, as well as increasing stress and psychological disturbance. Lack of a proper end-of-pipe sanitation facility has been associated with a higher prevalence of gastrointestinal-related illnesses, justifying the need for better infrastructure and services within the housing accommodations offered to those employees.

Also, the study's conclusion on the exposures to risk factors at the workplace is rather alarming. Thus, according to the results of the study, more than half of the respondents face dangerous working conditions: working with toxic substances and not having adequate protection. These conditions certainly increase the risks of chronic diseases, stressing the importance of improving legislation and increasing security standards in the sectors that involve migrants.

Lastly, constrained healthcare became another important issue that can be considered as the combination of different barriers on the way to the needed treatment, which was reported by 75% of respondents. The worded barriers comprised of financial barriers, unawareness, and perceived prejudice, including discrimination. These barriers not only result in delayed treatment but also partially create a vicious cycle of health-related issues, making this group more vulnerable.

The study also contributes to an understanding of how multiple health outcomes affected migrant laborers. This means that female laborers working in organizations are likely to experience mental health challenges more than their male counterparts. These differences necessitate special consideration of gender in health and its intercession and policy to appreciate that the demographic requires a different approach to achieve the optimal solution.

More notably, the study focuses on the vital buffer resource of social support networks in reducing health hazards and enhancing living standards. The participants experienced improved health among those with a solid community attachment, meaning that integration within workplace and community platforms can substantially improve migrants' well-being. Consequently, CBOs should be included in the implementation of health programs to enhance dissemination of information.

Therefore, this study re-emphasizes the existence of compelling grounds to address these multiple living and working environments for migrant workers, coupled with covering their health costs. In so doing, policymakers can support the hundreds of thousands of workers who are too often (illegally) exploited through the protection of their rights and bodily integrity. The future qualitative endeavors should: establish long-term investigations to understand change processes and assess the impact of interventions intended to enhance migrants' working lives.

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These efforts are very important to promote the health of this vulnerable population along with the improvement of social determinants for their acceptable working conditions and to respect rights and their dignity.

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