



RECOMMENDATIONS TO MEMBER STATES

1. Member States should ensure that migrant, refugee, and asylum-seeking women and girls do not face discrimination on any grounds.
2. Member States should adopt the necessary measures to enhance the ability of undocumented migrant women and girls to access their fundamental rights, and for those of them who are victims of violence against women or trafficking in human beings, to report the crimes without fear of removal.
3. Member States should adopt a child rights-based approach to migrant, refugee, and asylum-seeking girls, which takes account of the age and specific vulnerable situations and needs of girls.
4. Migrant, refugee, and asylum-seeking women and girls must be provided with relevant and accessible information and advice in a way and in a language that they can understand. This should also cover the right to interpreters, including sign-language interpreters, legal professionals, and intercultural mediators.
5. Member States should ensure the deployment of specific protection mechanisms, including places in women-only accommodation facilities (or with at minimum separate rooms and bathrooms for women and men), dedicated safe spaces for women and girls, and spaces for confidential interviews with service providers alongside the presence of psychosocial support and translators.
6. Member States should ensure migrant women's access to legal advice and free legal aid which should be granted, under the conditions provided for by internal law, in order to support migrant, refugee, and asylum-seeking women and girls who are victims of any forms of violence against women and trafficking in human beings, through criminal, administrative and civil proceedings, as appropriate, including the pursuit of compensation claims and legal redress against the perpetrators.
7. Member States should tackle administrative barriers to facilitate access to health services: simplifying, translating, and diffusing rules on the process for accessing care, removing expensive or unnecessary requirements, and proactively challenging the impact of cultural barriers will facilitate access of migrant women and girls to the health services they need, including sexual and reproductive health services.

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8. Member States should ensure that the protection provided by legal treaties, notably the Istanbul Convention, the Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse, and the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings, is well known to all those responsible for dealing with migrant women and that these treaties are efficiently implemented.
9. Member States should fund awareness raising campaigns on migrant and refugee women's rights, including as regards access to education and work, participation in social, economic, and cultural life, protection against all forms of violence against women, domestic violence, and access to justice.
10. Member States should establish mechanisms to ensure the systematic consultation of migrant and refugee women's organisations and organisations that represent these women in the designing and implementation of policies that concern them.
11. Member States should integrate the principle of equality between women and men into the training of professionals and public officials at all levels involved in the design and implementation of integration programmes. Furthermore, these trainings must address all forms of violence that affect migrant women and girls disproportionately, such as sexual exploitation and prostitution, trafficking child marriage, sexual violence, domestic violence, FGM, and traditional harmful practices.
12. Member States should Increase the collection, analysis and dissemination of sex-disaggregated data and statistics on violence against migrant women and girls.

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