

MEDICAL CARE ACCESS

I. Access

A. Implications

1. Environment
2. Lifestyle
3. Heredity Factors

B. Concepts

1. Usual source of care
2. Use of services
3. Acceptability of services

II. Conceptual Framework

A. Contextual vs. Individual

B. Contextual Predisposing Characteristics

1. Demographic
2. Social
3. Beliefs

C. Contextual Enabling Characteristics

1. Health Policies
2. Financing Characteristics
3. Organization

D. Contextual Need Characteristics

1. Environmental Need Characteristics
2. Population Health Indices

E. Individual Predisposing Characteristics

1. Demographic Factors
2. Social Factors
3. Health Beliefs

F. Individual Enabling Characteristics

1. Income and Socioeconomic Status
2. Organization and Occupation

G. Individual Need Characteristics

1. Perceived Need
2. Evaluated Need

H. Managed Care Framework

1. Stage 1
2. Stage 2

III. Access Features

A. Dimensions of Access

1. Availability
2. Accessibility
3. Affordability
4. Accommodation

5. Acceptability

B. Types of Access

1. Potential Access
2. Realized Access
3. Equitable or Inequitable Access
4. Effective and Efficient Access

C. Measurement of Access

1. Individual Level
2. Health Plan Level
3. Health Care Delivery Level

D. Health Behaviors

1. Personal Health Practices
2. Process of Medical Care
3. Use of Personal Health Services

E. Outcomes

1. Perceived Health Status
2. Evaluated Health Status
3. Consumer Satisfaction

F. Barriers

1. Economic
2. Non-economic
3. Exacerbating problems
4. Unsystematic decision-making

IV. Health Care Reform

A. Improving Access

1. Government-sponsored national program
2. Building on current employer-based system