



Summary of Interviews with Immigrants (Mixed Documentation Status) Conducted in February-March 2010

Total Number of Immigrants Interviewed: **49**

Immigrant type: **Legal (18), Undocumented (25)**

Country of Origin: **Mexico (44), Jordon (1), Venezuela (1), Colombia (1), Ecuador (1), El Salvador (1)**

Language spoken at home: **Spanish (41), Spanish and English (10), English (3), Turkish and English (1)**

Health insurance? **Yes (19) No (28)**

Eligible for medical assistance program? **Yes (15) No (29)**

Family members eligible for medical assistance program? **Yes (27) No (14) Not Sure (4)**

Regular doctor? **Yes (26) No (21)**

Regular doctor for your family members? **Yes (24) No (16)**

The number of people with medical debt: **13 (26.5%)**

The range of medical debt: **\$700-\$5500**

Main barriers to access to healthcare:

- **Language barriers**
- **Poor attitudes of staff**
- **Lack of respect**
- **Rudeness from nurses**
- **Denial of services due to documentation status**
- **Poor treatment due to lack of insurance and documentation**
- **Waiting time**
- **Fear of public charge**
- **Cost**
- **Medical debt**
- **No insurance**
- **No appointments available**
- **Prescription medication not affordable**
- **Large family with low income**
- **Prohibitive dental costs**
- **Medicine here is very expensive**