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Only Croatia reported developments in the field of health care, where the Ministry of Health prepared a draft ordinance on health care standards for applicants and beneficiaries of international protection. This was submitted for e-consultation and was in the final stages. Civil society organisations noted that the staff of health centres were often not informed that the costs of medical treatments for beneficiaries of international protection were paid by the Ministry of Health, which caused many issues in practice.[665]

Among the concerns raised, Asylex signalled that access to health care remains an issue even after recognition, in particular for mental health care and dental treatments.[666] Beneficiaries of international protection in Poland continued to face long administrative delays before receiving the necessary documentation to access health care.[667]

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