ROMANI EARLY YEARS NETWORK

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BREAKING THE SILENCE

The right of young Roma children in Europe to develop and thrive

Data on key areas impacting child's development

Young Roma children status in

ITALY

Focus on the municipality of Rome

DISCRIMINATION

80% of Roma children face discrimination when accessing public services or premises!

FAMILY AND LIVING ENVIRONMENT

Education level of families

3.3% have upper secondary education

13.3% have primary education

31.6% have not been to school or if has gone, did not complete

51.7% have lower secondary education

Family status and economy

41% are retired or cannot work

33% are employed

26% are unemployed

Water

30% of families do not have access to running and drinking water

Facilities in household

65% of children do not have their own room or bed

HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

Pediatrician

30% of children do not have an assigned or selected pediatrician

Sleep routines

65% of children do not have a sleep routine

SAFETY AND SECURITY

Social security

31.8% do not have access to social security

68.2% have access to social security

Safety

40% of families report that the place or neighborhood where they live is not safe for their children

EARLY LEARNING

Early learning

60% of Roma children are less likely to access quality services

Proximity

Roma children do not have access to these facilities near their homes

72% to libraries

83% to theatre

RESPONSIVE PARENTING

Care

100% of mothers are the main caregivers of children in their family

50% of mothers do not get enough support from other family members

The REYN Early Childhood Research Study in Italy involved 20 Roma families with young children and 5 professionals working with families in different ECD services. The questionnaires were conducted with the support of Roma researchers from Italy.

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The Romani Early Years Network (REYN) is a European-wide initiative of ISSA that promotes access to quality early childhood development for Roma and Travellers children, professionalism in early years services, and a better representation of Roma and Travellers in the early childhood workforce.

ISSA is an early childhood membership association that serves as a learning community and a champion for quality, equitable and integrated services. The ISSA network is a dynamic mix of expert organisations, ranging from NGOs to research institutes, from public bodies to early childhood services, primarily from Europe and Central Asia.