## Understanding the role of navigators and their effects on health and social systems, and communities.

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Travel to appointment

Schedule appointments

**Identify appropriate healthcare services** 

Access legal services

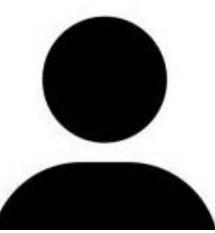
Understand treatment / care regimes

Childcare during appointments

Translator or peer worker to support appointments

Pay for services/treatments

Understand insurance / schemes to support treatment and care



Access to housing / food / clothing



## Structural navigation

## Interpretive navigation

Links disconnected or fragmented *places*, *services*, and *sectors* to facilitate practical access to required care.

Links disconnected or fragmented *epistemologies*, *values*, and *experiences* to facilitate meaningful access to appropriate care



## Connect service users with appropriate services

**Structural:** Organise services to enable in-person access, such as transportation and childcare.

"I set up transportation, reminding [the patient] the medication, where do you pick it up, you need biopsy explaining to him. Finally comes to his appointment regularly, before that he was disappearing because there was nobody managing his care." (Sharma et al., 2023, p.1195)

**Interpretive:** Advocate for service users' situated needs.

"The [navigators] get to know the women and are able to observe changes over time. [...] The length of the relationship gives them more authority in intervening on behalf of the women. [The navigator] was speaking to a housing charity and said, '[...] I know them, I've spoken to them almost every day, I know they aren't working, they don't have any money." (Gale et al., 2018, p.102)



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