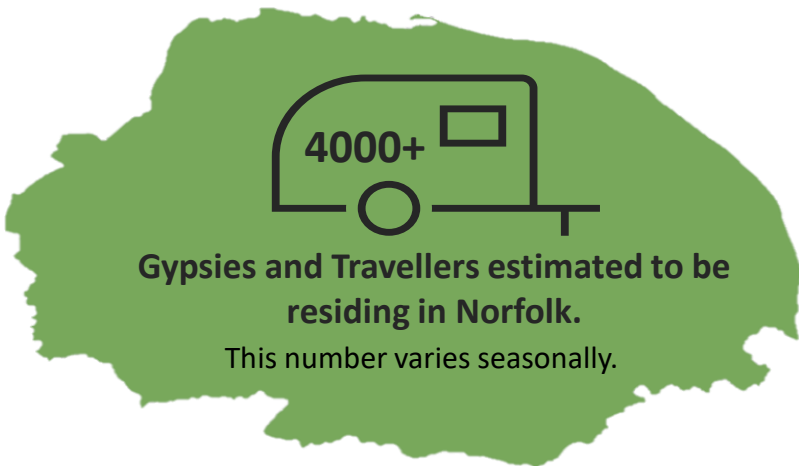


# Gypsy, Roma Traveller Health Inequalities



The term **Gypsy, Roma and Traveller communities** encompasses those identifying as **Gypsy, Roma, Traveller, Boater and Show people**.

## Health Outcomes

Nationally, gypsies and travellers experience some of the worst outcomes of any group including **poor health** and **significant health inequalities**. Gypsies and Travellers compared to non-travellers:

Low Life Expectancy



Live **10-25 years** fewer<sup>1,2,3\*\*</sup>

High Child Mortality



**20x** more likely to experience child death<sup>3..</sup>

Poor Mental Health



**6x** more likely to die by suicide<sup>4,5\*\*\*</sup>

High Prevalence of Chronic Disease



**24%** more likely to be affected by a long-term condition<sup>4,5\*\*\*</sup>

Spend longer in Poor Health



Live **6 less years** in good health<sup>1,2,3\*\*</sup>

## Barriers to Service Provision

Barriers can be categorised into two groups



Difficulty getting Registered



Poor Communication & Understanding



Poor Health Literacy



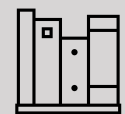
Cultural Norms



Digital Exclusion



Limited Cultural Competency



Literacy Levels



Taboos regarding prenatal, maternity & mental health



Fear & Mistrust of the System

### Service Provider Factors\*

### Community Factors\*

## Core Principles

The **good relationship** between existing Gypsy Roma Traveller services and the community should serve as the foundation for future work.

This should aim to better **understand the needs** and **challenges** faced by the community and identify the right **interventions** to **improve health outcomes** and **tackle disparities** in Norfolk\*.

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