MACROSYSTEMIC REFORM IN THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS FOR EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

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ABSTRACT

Reform of health care systems in the member states of the Council of Europe has been a virtually continuous process which seeks to reconcile the often contradictory aims of maximizing quality, efficiency and equality of access as well as guaranteeing the viability of the system, against a background of limited government resources and rapid demographic and technological change.

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