



## Filipinos and Chinese, half not access to health care

Immigrants are frustrated by the difficulty in understanding the language and the absence of mediators. The Chinese have developed a parallel system of care, based on the herbalists who sometimes turn to private clinics

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MILAN - Some are surrounded by an aura of mystery and suspicion: a community impenetrable to the eyes of the Italians less careful. The other, on the contrary, is perceived as hyper inserted. Yet both for the Chinese than for Filipinos access to the Italian health system are an option, although they are the fourth and sixth foreign community in Italy and the first two for Asia. 45 percent of the Chinese in Milan achieved by research (through questionnaires and 50 in-depth interviews with six witnesses, both for the one and for the other community) declare that they have never turned to Italian physicians between October 2010 and the 'October 2011. One in ten states often resort to the doctor. Same percentage (11 percent) of Filipinos satisfied with access to care. 57.9 percent of Filipinos intercepted by the study claims to have recourse to primary care services only rarely. But these health care providers did not make any account: "well integrated" and "do not bother" are the most common answers to the questions on the user Filipino.

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