Health warnings labels of alcoholic beverages: opportunities for informed and healthier choices

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About

Health warnings on alcoholic beverages labels increase consumers’ awareness of the risks associated with drinking, but the evidence is less robust regarding their impact on reducing consumption or changing individual behaviours. Current labelling practices across countries are not standardised. The inconsistencies in displaying information, the scale of interventions, assessment methodologies, among other factors, have resulted in diversified practices and outcomes. This event seeks to take stock of recent evidence regarding the use of health warnings labels and the conditions for their effectiveness, illustrate innovative country initiatives and discuss the possible role of consumer associations and civil society to hold interested parties to account.

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