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# Overview

- Harm to Health Care System
  - Direct
  - Indirect
- Consequences for Care
  - Quality
  - Availability
  - Accessibility
- Conclusions and Recommendations





Dr Zichenko in front of a damaged garage with scorched ambulance in Krasnohorivka

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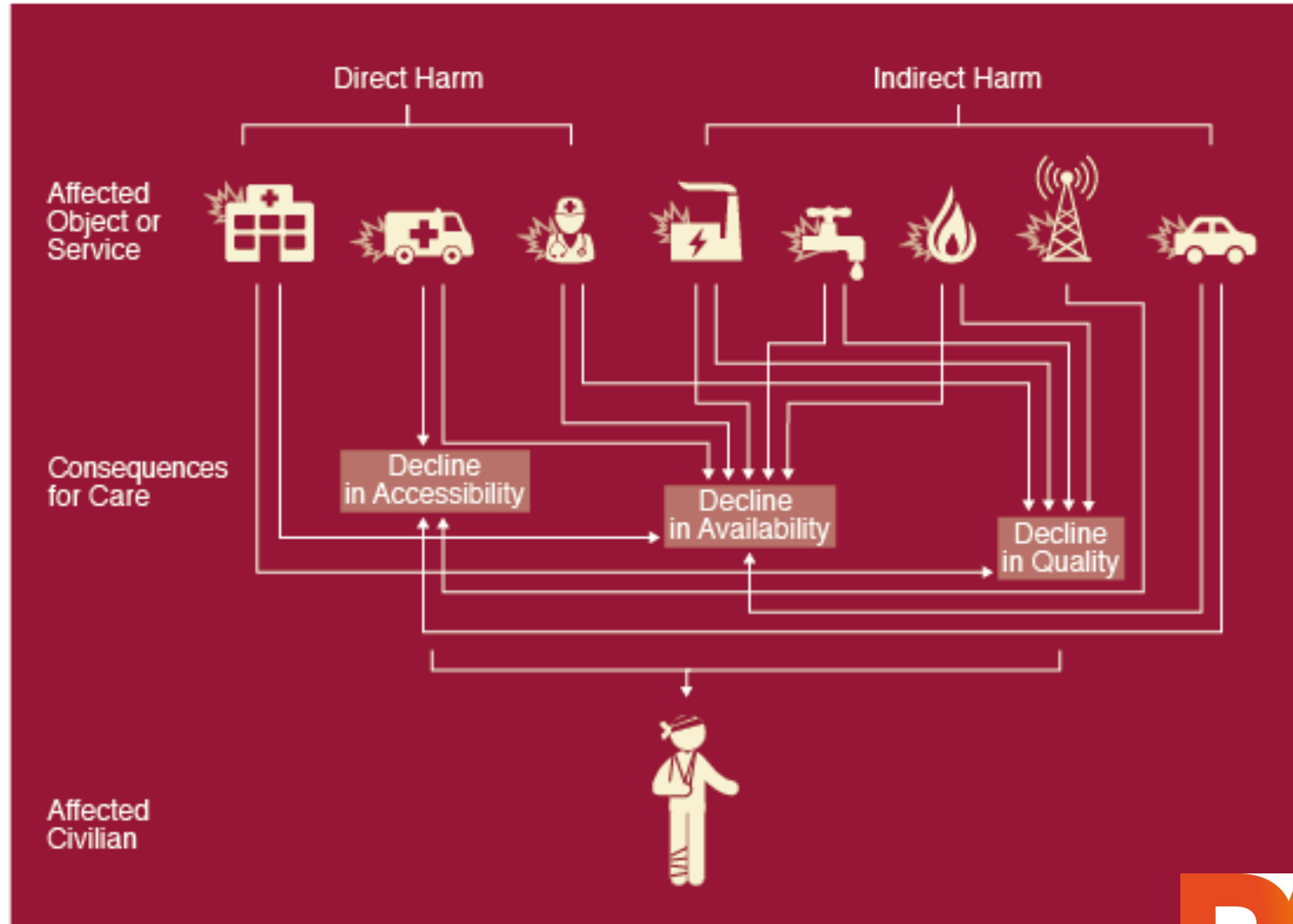
# Direct Harm: Krasnohorivka





**Indirect Harm:**  
Power Outages  
Loss of Water and Heat  
Damage to communications  
Travel Risks for Health workers,  
ambulances and patients

# Consequences for Patient Care



# INEW calls upon states to:

- Avoid the use of explosive weapons with wide area effects in populated areas
- Review and strengthen national policies and procedures over the use of explosive weapons in populated areas
- Support the development of an international political declaration





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