Practical Guide to Strategic Advocacy Planning

This practical guide aims to provide NCD civil society with an understanding of the steps to plan and conduct successful advocacy campaigns, leveraging examples from NCD Alliance’s global network of national and regional NCD alliances.

The new Practical Guide is primarily targeted for NCD alliances and civil society advocates at all levels, from newly formed groups to the very established. Readers are welcome to adapt and modify approaches according to the circumstances.
specific realities of their contexts and their current and future advocacy plans.

The 8 steps of advocacy planning are:

- Step 1 - Advocacy situation analysis
- Step 2 - Select priority issues, goals, objectives
- Step 3 - Political mapping
- Step 4 - Advocacy tactics and messages
- Step 5 - Build support among constituencies
- Step 6 - Create a workplan and budget
- Step 7 - Roll out of the advocacy plan
- Step 8 - Monitor and evaluate

The 8 steps of advocacy planning presented in the brief are accompanied by case studies from our global network of member alliances, such as from India, Vietnam, Mexico, the Philippines, the Caribbean and others, in planning and conducting strategic advocacy. These cases present lessons learned and recommendations that other NCD civil society advocates can use to strengthen their own advocacy campaigns to pursue NCD prevention and control policy changes. At the end of the guide, advocates will be able to find a series of practical tools that will help them to identify their advocacy priorities, conduct a political mapping, and even develop an advocacy workplan.

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