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Because every heartbeat matters

The World Heart Federation (WHF) and its members believe in a world where heart health for everyone is a fundamental human right and a crucial element of global health justice. Regardless of country, region, origin, race, gender, age, education and revenues, each human being is entitled to cardiovascular health and well-being through health promotion, access to prevention, control and management of cardiovascular disease.

NCD Alliance founding member

About World Heart Federation

Marking 40 years since its establishment, the World Heart Federation (WHF) serves as the principal representative body for the cardiovascular community (including the national and continental cardiology scientific societies and foundations), representing the scientific, medical and professional communities, as well as patients and charitable organisations.

WHF works at the international and national levels through our own activities and those of our 200 plus members. WHF is a non-governmental organisation (NGO) in official relations with the World Health Organization (WHO) and a member of the NCD Alliance.

WHF Mission

Our mission is:

- To connect and co-ordinate the diverse cardiovascular community by bringing together the scientific cardiology societies, heart foundations, health professionals, patients and the general public, policy makers, governments and industry in advancing heart health for everyone;
- to translate science into policy to influence agencies, governments and policy makers; and
- to stimulate and catalyze the exchange of information, ideas, practices across all borders, to achieve heart health for everyone, everywhere.

The vision and mission are built on five key global roles of WHF: (i) advocacy; (ii) science; (iii) capacity building; (iv) implementation and health system strengthening; and (v) building a civil society movement for access to cardiovascular health through WHF's international leadership, member engagement at global, regional and national levels, and communication to our professions, patients and the public.

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