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NCD Alliance Partners Report

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The NCD Alliance Partners Report provides an essential overview of key updates and most recent developments in the NCD space. It has been designed to allow a quick and easy access to topline information you need to be aware of regarding noncommunicable diseases (NCDs).

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Need to Know Global Updates on NCDs

HLM3 draft Political Declaration: NCD Alliance statement of concern



Link to [NCDA media release 8 August](#)



Link to [zero-draft Political Declaration elements paper](#)



Link to [NCDA comments and analysis of zero-draft](#)



Link to [CSO priorities recommendations by NCDA](#)

The nearly final Political Declaration to be adopted at the third United Nations High-Level Meeting on Noncommunicable Diseases (UN HLM on NCDs), as it stands after weeks of negotiations, lacks significant commitments and ambitions to ensure countries meet their targets. While the draft Political Declaration does expand the language of the 2011 and 2014 Outcome Documents on NCDs in important ways - including integration of mental health, air pollution, and the importance of working with civil society and people living with and affected by NCDs - it falls short of describing how governments are individually or collectively going to meet the WHO 2025 and UN 2030 Agenda targets to which they have already committed. In addition, governments have also failed in their main mission for HLM3: to evaluate progress towards those targets and draw lessons, commit to speeding up progress, and adopting new policies and measures.

At the beginning of negotiations in June, NCDA conducted an analysis of the zero-draft elements paper and made comments on the proposed language, identified gaps, and suggested revisions. The analysis received over 140 comments from members of our network, and the final version represents a comprehensive document that incorporates all comments received. While the draft Declaration is almost final, one outstanding issue on the trade-related aspects of intellectual property (TRIPS) has prevented the document from being provisionally agreed. The TRIPS language is the same issue that is causing a delay in agreement of the Political Declaration for the HLM on Tuberculosis, and it is likely that only once language is agreed for TB, we will see movement for the Political Declaration on NCDs. At this stage, it is highly unlikely that the language in the draft document will change, other than that on TRIPS.

As of 28 August, 52 Presidents and Prime Ministers have confirmed their attendance and a speaking slot at the plenary segment of the UN HLM on NCDs: *Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cabo Verde, Central African Republic, Egypt (on behalf of G77), Equatorial Guinea, Eswatini (Swaziland), Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Madagascar, Mauritius, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, Somalia, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe; Bangladesh, Federated States of Micronesia, Jordan, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Palau, Philippines, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Sri Lanka, Timor-Leste, Vanuatu, Vietnam; Montenegro, Uzbekistan; Austria, Ireland, Italy, New Zealand, Portugal, Slovenia, Switzerland; Bahamas, Barbados, Jamaica, Panama, St Kitts and Nevis, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Uruguay.*

Interactive Hearing and New York ‘fly-in’



Read speech by
NCD CEO Katie Dain



Read the
NCDAs summary of the interactive hearing



Read the
PGA’s official summary of the interactive hearing



View the video recordings from the hearing:



Opening



Panels 1 + 2



Panels 3 + 4



Side Event



Closing

The Interactive Hearing took place on 5 July at the UN HQ in New York as part of preparations for the third UN HLM on NCDs, with a high participation from the NCD civil society. James Chau, WHO Goodwill Ambassador for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Health, delivered a rousing keynote address during the opening segment of the Interactive Hearing. He called upon private sector partners such as Big Soda and Big Sugar to “be better than the tobacco industry” and support labelling of products and actually deliver on commitments to reformulate products. He also urged civil society organisations to “be less civil”.

Speaking on Panel 2, NCD CEO Katie Dain emphasised that we know three defining facts about NCD financing: 1) the current level of investment in NCDs is pitiful, with less than US\$1 billion a year in development assistance for health allocated to NCDs; 2) economies are being depleted by the direct and indirect costs of NCDs; and 3) the return on investment in NCDs significantly outweighs the costs.

The ‘Put People First’ advocacy message was emphasised throughout the Interactive Hearing. The presence of civil society was very strong, including 17 national and regional NCD alliances. As part of the NCD Advocacy Institute Accelerator Programme (2017-2019), five participating alliances from Brazil, Colombia, India, Mexico and South Africa joined a ‘fly-in’ workshop on the margins of the Interactive Hearing (4-7 July). The workshop included discussion of UN processes as they relate to NCDs, sharing of experiences and best practice between countries, and an opportunity to meet with their country missions to the UN in NY to discuss HLM campaign priorities from their own specific country context. Each of the five alliances included a person living with NCDs on their delegation, which was the first time there was a concentrated effort to ensure the people who are most affected by NCDs were able to attend a global interactive hearing as part of the preparatory process for a HLM on NCDs.

In addition, NCDAs along with WHO and the support of the WHO Civil Society Working Group on NCDs organised a side event during lunchtime on the margins of the Interactive Hearing entitled “Accelerating Action for NCDs: The Role of Civil Society in Ensuring a People-Centred Approach”. The event, moderated by James Chau, focused on civil society perspectives on strengthening the NCD response, and highlighted that meaningful involvement of people living with NCDs (PLWNCDs) is imperative to advance action on NCDs at all levels.

Civil society response to Time to Deliver report



[Link to report](#)



[Link to CSO declaration](#)



[Link to NCDa statement on sugar tax](#)

NCDA and over 200 civil society organisations (CSOs) welcomed the Report of the WHO Independent High-Level Commission on NCDs, Time To Deliver, launched on 1 June in Geneva. It comes ahead of crucial negotiations for the UN HLM on NCDs. In a statement, the co-signatories note that the Commission's report draws a line in the sand on the need for political leaders to accept that progress to date has been severely inadequate and out of step with the growing burden of NCDs and mental and neurological disorders.

However, as NCDA CEO Katie Dain said, “[the report] failed to recommend a tax on sugar sweetened beverages (SSBs) while at the same time calling for fiscal measures including raising taxes on tobacco and alcohol. It runs contrary to WHO's evidence-based guidance and reports which WHO Director-General Dr Tedros has consistently reinforced, including the NCD Best Buys and the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity which highlight SSB taxes as one part of an essential package of interventions that can be used to reduce obesity and NCDs”.

WHO Independent High-Level Commission on NCDs continues to October 2019



[Link to Commission's webpage](#)

The Independent High-Level Commission on NCDs met at WHO Geneva on 23 August, chaired by Dr Sania Nishtar, to discuss the programme for a second year of work to follow up on the recommendations of their report. NCDA CEO Katie Dain and Board member Sir George Alleyne are Commissioners. NCDA particularly emphasised the need to follow up on the Commission report's strong recommendations on accountability and meaningful involvement of PLWNCDs.

WHO Community of Practice on People Living with NCDs launched!



[Link to the CoP on PLWNCDs](#)

The WHO Global Coordinating Mechanism on NCDs is hosting a Community of Practice (CoP) on Meaningful Involvement of PLWNCDs, facilitated by NCDA. CoPs are password-protected, virtual safe spaces where individuals can exchange knowledge, advance discussions and identify gaps related to the implementation of the Global Action Plan, 2013-2020 and achievement of NCD-related targets of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The CoP on Meaningful Involvement of PLWNCDs aims to share an understanding of the need for, and benefit of, the meaningful involvement of PLWNCDs as a key element for the NCD response; increase knowledge on how to promote meaningful involvement and stimulate advocacy efforts calling for increased meaningful involvement of PLWNCDs. The first virtual discussion of this CoP was strategically timed ahead of the Interactive Hearing from June 28-July 3. Key advocacy messages calling for a people-centred approach to tackling NCDs and the meaningful involvement of PLWNCDs

distilled from this first discussion, were verbally articulated during interventions by patient advocates during the Interactive Hearing and the lunchtime side event.

Throughout 2018, this CoP will look to conduct three moderated, time-bound virtual discussions engaging a wide range of stakeholders, each preceded by a scene-setting webinar. Members of CoP are invited to attend the webinars and participate actively in the stimulating virtual discussions. The CoP is currently accepting applications for membership from PLWNCDs, CSOs, academia, government representatives and other stakeholders with an interest in meaningful involvement of PLWNCDs.

NCD Countdown 2030



Link to
[Time to Deliver](#)



Link to
[ENOUGH. Campaign Priorities](#)

Despite multiple commitments for NCDs, action at global and country levels has been insufficient and uneven. NCD Countdown 2030 is a collaboration between The Lancet, WHO, NCD Alliance, and Imperial College London, together with technical experts from international institutions. This initiative offers a robust mechanism for independent accountability and will provide impartial evaluation of government, multinational and donor progress on NCD prevention and control, raise public awareness, and inform evidence based advocacy to help countries accelerate progress on the NCD commitments made in 2011 – delivering on recommendation 6B of the WHO Independent High-Level Commission on NCDs in its report ‘[Time to Deliver](#)’, and aligned with the sixth priority of the [ENOUGH. Campaign](#), on accountability.

NCD Countdown 2030 will complement WHO’s existing monitoring and surveillance work by analysing and critically assessing country-level trends in NCD mortality and their key risk factors; showcasing a small number of countries to understand challenges, success factors and lessons learned; and proposing priority policies and interventions for accelerated action. The first product of NCD Countdown 2030 will be a major article published in The Lancet the week before the UN HLM on NCD mortality and progress towards SDG target 3.4.

NCDs front and centre at HLPF



Link to [news story](#)



Read more about the
[2018 HLPF](#)

Though not explicitly on the agenda, NCDs featured prominently at the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) at UN Headquarters in New York, 9-18 July. A subset of Sustainable Development Goals are reviewed at the HLPF each year, during the annual review of the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs. SDG3 on health was reviewed in 2017, but this year’s Forum presented opportunities to demonstrate the links between NCDs and the SDGs under review, with a focus on sustainable energy, consumption, and cities.

WHO Conference on Primary Healthcare and UHC



Link to
[conference's website](#)



Submit your proposal to
[host a side session](#)



View the provisional
[programme](#)

The Second Global Conference on Primary Health Care: “From Alma-Ata towards Universal Health Coverage and the Sustainable Development Goals”, will take place on 25-26 October in Astana, Kazakhstan. The conference will mark the 40th anniversary of the Declaration of Alma-Ata, which has been the foundation for global efforts towards primary health care since its adoption. The 2018 Conference, will endorse a new declaration which emphasises the critical role of primary health care around the world, refocusing efforts to ensure that everyone everywhere is able to enjoy the highest possible attainable standard of health.

WHO Global Roadmap on Access to Medicines and Vaccines, 2019-2023



Link to
[roadmap webpage](#)

Following a comprehensive report by the Director-General on access to essential medicines and vaccines, presented at WHA71, decision WHA71(8) was adopted requesting the Director-General to elaborate a roadmap laying out WHO’s programmatic work on access to medicines and vaccines for the period 2019-2023, to be presented at WHA72, after WHO’s Executive Board 144th session.

WHO has prepared a zero-draft document of the roadmap, which describes the actions and deliverables for 10 strategic activities on this area. A consultation process with Member States has already started out, with an in-person meeting in Geneva on 10-11 September. Informal discussion with stakeholders will also take place in Geneva at WHO HQ on 10 September from 9:00-12:30. Invitations to this meeting have been sent to entities that carry out work on access to medicines and vaccines.

NCD Alliance welcomes launch of the WHO Global Action Plan for Physical Activity



Link to
[WHO new release](#)



Link to [document](#)

NCD Alliance welcomed More Active People for a Healthier World, the new WHO Global Action Plan for Physical Activity (GAPPA) 2018-2030, launched in early June in Lisbon, saying it has the potential to prevent huge numbers of deaths and disability from NCDs across the globe. “We’re at a tipping point when it comes to physical activity, said NCD Alliance CEO Katie Dain, while speaking at the launch in Lisbon. “For myriad reasons the world is just not active enough. In some populations, up to 80 per cent of adults are not sufficiently active to realise the protective benefits of physical activity, and are consequently at increased risk of poor health.”

“Promoting physical activity is a cost effective, health and development promoting opportunity, and the Action Plan should catalyse governments and stakeholders to step up with action, collaboration and public policies that promote the wellbeing of all people everywhere for a more active and healthy world.”

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On the Ground Country Updates

Joining the fight against NCDs in Cameroon through collaboration



Cameroon



Link to [blog post](#)

Ferdinant Mbiydenyuy, Program Coordinator for the Cameroon Baptist Convention Health Services (CBCHS) shared insights on the NCD situation in Cameroon and his experience in setting up the CBCHS NCD Prevention and Control Program, which has seven key components: work on awareness, screening, management (hospital care), capacity building, surveillance, advocacy and research. He sees as one of the main NCD challenges in Cameroon, the lack of youth participation in screening activities, when unfortunately, they need these services the most. Despite this, Ferdinant sees great potential in building a strong national NCD network for the sake of patients, youth and the population at large through a Cameroonian NCD alliance.

Jamaica restricts sugar sweetened beverages in schools, health facilities



Jamaica



Link to [news story](#)



Link to
[the #TooMuchJunk
campaign](#)

The Government of Jamaica has restricted sugar sweetened beverages (SSBs) in the country's schools and public health facilities as of January 2019. The Healthy Caribbean Coalition (HCC) has strongly welcomed this measure, as part of a wider strategy to combat the urgent epidemic of childhood overweight and obesity that Jamaica and the wider Caribbean is currently facing: one in three Caribbean children are either overweight or obese, as alerted by HCC's #TooMuchJunk campaign.

Mexico Salud-Hable turns spotlight on candidates



Mexico



Link to [blog post](#)

With national elections in Mexico on 1 July, Mexico Salud-Hable took a bold and innovative approach to ensuring that health features squarely on candidates' manifestos – highlighting the importance of health policies and NCDs. It urged candidates to commit to specific measures: comply fully with the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control; reduce the prevalence of alcohol consumption; promote and strengthen a comprehensive policy agenda on obesity prevention (through taxation, child-targeted marketing restrictions, front-of-package labelling regulation and healthy food environments in schools); commit to greater accountability and multisectoral mechanisms to track progress on NCDs. The approach seemed to work, as it was reported that candidates were talking more about NCDs and the need to tackle their main risk factors.

Battling NCDs in rural Nepal



Nepal



Link to [blog post](#)



Link to [videos](#)

Read NCDA's July blog post about NCDs in Nepal. Bikash Gauchan, a medical doctor in rural Nepal, describes the effects of NCDs, particularly in rural areas where there is less awareness of the connections between NCDs and their risk factors, and infrastructure and systems struggle under the strain, challenging prospects of achieving UHC. In addition, NCDA published a series of audiovisuals covering "NCDs in Nepal" from different angles, interviewing the President of the Nepal NCD Alliance, community health workers and people living in Nepal with NCDs.

Advancing a multisectoral response to NCDs in Ghana



August 2018



Ghana



[Learn more](#)

On 7 August 2018, the Ghana NCD Alliance hosted a national high-level multisectoral meeting on NCDs in Accra City to discuss key challenges to the country's NCD response as well as identify specific priorities within the NCD agenda to effectively implement a national response to NCDs. The meeting, which brought together a diverse range of stakeholders including representatives of various government ministries and departments, civil society organisations, people living with NCDs and disabilities, academic and research institutions, students, media and relevant private sector, called for a multisectoral and people-centred approach to tackle the burden of NCDs in Ghana. The voices of PLWNCDs were strongly represented and called for their meaningful involvement in the NCD response. The meeting, attended by Dr. Gyan Baffour, the Minister of Planning and Chairperson of the Inter-Ministerial Committee on the SDGs in Ghana and Dr. Eugene Owusu, the Special Advisor to the President on the SDGs among other high-level dignitaries, highlighted the importance of integrating NCDs in the country's development agenda.

A new multisectoral NCD alliance in Togo



Togo

The NCD Alliance Togo (Coalition MNT Togo) was recently formed by three associations – CERS-D.Base specialised in diabetes; S.E.T, specialised in education; and ATASPAE, specialised in elderly care – and a centre for preventive medicine, together with several health and communications professionals. Their initial activities will focus on national and international advocacy efforts in light of the upcoming UN HLM, and on raising awareness among Togolese youth about NCDs and their risk factors.

Together – One Voice: The new NCD alliance in Iran



Iran

The Iran NCD Alliance (INCDA) was recently created by 21 civil society organisations working in different NCD-related areas. The main mission of the alliance is to strengthen their members' efforts in promoting NCD prevention through cooperation and one united national voice. INCDA aims to improve public awareness about NCDs in general, and increase the participation from government institutions and international organisations to take effective measures to reduce the burden, morbidity and mortality of NCDs.

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Your Say Engage with Us

THIS WEEK: Global Week for Action on NCDs

 3-9 September

 [Link to webpage](#)

 info@enoughncds.com



Resources

 [Guide to Planning Your
Week for Action on
NCDs](#)

 [Week for Action -
Media Advisory](#)

 [Week for Action -
Media Release](#)

 [Editable promo graphics
for social media](#)

With the digital world switched on to talk about NCDs, the first Global Week for Action on NCDs – from Monday 3 September to Sunday 9 September – will provide everyone, everywhere the opportunity to mobilise on the ground in the lead-up to the UN HLM on NCDs, under the theme ENOUGH. Our Health. Our Right. Right Now.

This will be a global opportunity to talk to each other, to leaders, to media, to crowds, to the world about what works well and what needs to change to ensure a transition from commitment to tangible actions that not only yield reportable improvements in NCD targets and outcomes, but result in the improvement of health and lives of all people in all places.

The opportunities are endless. Possible activities include organising a meeting, picnic, fun run, dance party, or art competition. The week is your chance to do something achievable, appropriate, relevant and impactful where you live, but linked to a global movement.

- It's time to say ENOUGH.
- It's time to celebrate progress and leadership.
- It's time to move from commitment to action.
- It's Time to Deliver action on NCDs.

No Turning Back: Preparing for the UN HLM and UNGA week



Events from
23 to 28 September



New York, USA



Link to **calendar**

Please contact Mathilde Chiesa
with any suggestions or questions.



mchiesa@ncdalliance.org

Webinar

Preparation for the UN HLM on NCDs

NCDA will host a webinar on **12 September, 15:00-16:30 (Geneva time)** to provide an overview of the latest negotiations on the draft Political Declaration (namely, on the TRIPS paragraph) and what to expect at the UN HLM. Save the date and sign up to our newsletter for updates. We will share with you the registration details once available.

UNGA calendar of events

Download our comprehensive calendar of NCD-related events and activities by clicking the image and RSVP to events of interest in the coming weeks!



NOTE: RSVP INFORMATION WILL BECOME AVAILABLE IN THE FOLLOWING WEEKS
THE NCD ALLIANCE DOES NOT FACILITATE OR MANAGE INVITATIONS TO EVENTS – PLEASE CONTACT EVENT ORGANISERS

This information will be updated regularly.
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Date	Time	Event Title/Main Theme	Event Host	Location/RSVP
Sun 23 rd September	08:00 – 10:30	The PMNCH Annual Accountability Breakfast	The Partnership for Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health	The Westin NY Grand Central Grand Central Ballroom 212 East 42 nd Street New York, NY 10017 <i>RSVP here by 7 Sept</i>
	13:00 – 16:00	TB Innovation Summit: Modernizing the Fight Against TB	World Economic Forum, Johnson & Johnson, Stop TB Partnership	Convene 237 Park Avenue, New York <i>RSVP here</i>
	17:30 – 19:30	Pre-Summit Reception	AARP, World Economic Forum	AARP New York Office 750 Third Avenue, 31 st floor <i>RSVP via email by 19 Sept</i>
Mon 24 th September	11:00 – 13:00	Committing to end TB in children and families	WHO, UNICEF, Stop TB	TBC
	11:30 – 13:00	Launch of the Defeat NCDs Partnership	Defeat NCDs Partnership, UNOPS, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark	UNHQ Conference Room F Contact: sebmed@um.dk
	12:30 – 14:30	Data Driving Change: EM2030 SDG Gender Index Launch	Equal Measures 2030	Japan Society 333 East 47th Street New York, NY 10017 <i>Register here</i>
	13:15 – 14:30	Cervical cancer elimination event (title TBC)	UICC, WHO, Zambia, Australia and UN agencies	UNHQ Conference Room 7
	13:30 – 16:30	NCD Alliance Civil Society Advocacy Briefing For NGOs ONLY	NCD Alliance	Scandinavia House 58 Park Ave, New York <i>RSVP here</i>
	14:30 -17:00	Putting Political Will into Action: Public-Private Partnerships to End TB	MSH, PATH	Harvard Club of New York City 35 W 44th St. New York City, NY 10036 <i>Register here</i>
	15:00 – 16:00	Launch of the Young People's Agenda	UNICEF	Trusteeship Council Chamber, UNHQ <i>By invitation only</i>
15:30 – 19:00		UN Global Compact, others	UN HQ	

SCHEDULE FOR SUPPORTERS

Find an overview of key events, meetings and activities in which the NCDA is involved with its partners.

Monday 24 September

8:30-10:15 **NCDA Supporters Meeting at the American Heart Association (AHA) offices**
Open to representatives of the NCDA Supporters Group only to coordinate on activities and priorities in the lead-up to the UN HLM. The meeting will be followed by a 15-minute break with refreshments and healthy snacks, right before the leadership session.

10:30-11:30 **NCDA Leadership Session: "Meet The Leader" at the AHA offices**
Open to representatives of the NCDA Supporters Group only. More information will be shared soon.

13:30-16:30 **NCDA Civil Society Advocacy Briefing at the Scandinavia House**
Open to NGOs only to coordinate advocacy efforts and messages during UNGA week and at UN HLM.



[Register here](#)

Tuesday 25 September

15:00-17:00 **There when needed: Coming together to ensure access to NCD Treatment and Care at the Harvard Club**
Invitation only, organised with Devex LIVE by the Coalition for Access to NCD Medicines & Products, including NCDA.

17:30-19:30 **Time to Disrupt the Health Care System: Novel Solutions for Quality Care in the NCD Era at New York Marriott East Side**
Organised by the AHA, NCDA, University of Oxford Nuffield Center, Children's Heart Link, World Heart Federation, Partners in Health, Young Professionals Chronic Disease Network, World Stroke Organization and Arnhold Institute for Global Health at Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai.



[Register here](#)

Wednesday 26 September

13:15-14:30 **Combatting NCDs from the village to the UN at UN HQ (Conference Room A).**
Invitation only, organised by the Permanent Mission of Denmark, Danish NCD Alliance, East African NCD Alliance and NCDA.

16:00-18:00 **Accelerating Global Elimination of HPV Cervical Cancer at Grand Hyatt New York**
Organised by American Cancer Society, UICC, Cancer Action Network, AdvaMedDx, Together for Health, NCDA.

 [Register here](#)

18:30-20:30 **No Turning Back: Charting opportunities to invigorate and intensify the NCD response at the Scandinavia House**
NCDA main side event, it will be followed by a high-level reception.

 [Register here](#)

Thursday 27 September

UN High-Level Meeting on NCD

10:00-11:00 **Opening segment (Conference room 4)**

11:00-13:00 **Plenary**
(Conference room 4)

Multy Stakeholder panel 1
(ECOSOC Chamber)

13:00-15:00 **Lunch break**

15:00-17:00 **Plenary**
(Conference room 4)

Multy Stakeholder panel 2
(ECOSOC Chamber)

17:00-18:00 **Closing segment (Conference room 4)**

NCD CAFÉS and DIALOGUES

In the next few months, NCDA will be organising the following NCD Cafés in collaboration with the Supporters Group, and the Stroke and NCD Dialogue with WSO. We hope you will be able to attend some of the sessions.

1-4 OCTOBER

NCD Café at the World Cancer Congress in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Tuesday 2 October
9:30 - 10:00

SESSION 1

Taxation of unhealthy commodities: A win-win solution for NCD and cancer prevention and control

Tuesday 2 October
15:50 - 16:50

SESSION 2

Health systems for people, not siloes for diseases: Shaping a future of integrated care

Wednesday 3 October
10:30 - 11:00

SESSION 3

Moving to the beat of the NCD response: Building a global movement for physical activity

Wednesday 3 October
12:40 - 13:40

SESSION 4

Human health in a sustainable world: How can we address cancer and NCDs in sustainable cities?

Thursday 4 October
12:40 - 13:40

SESSION 5

A new era for NCD prevention and control: Innovation and implementation, today

14-19 OCTOBER

NCD Café at FIGO World Congress of Gynaecology and Obstetrics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Monday 15 October 13:15 - 14:15	SESSION 1 Addressing diabetes in pregnancy: A lifecourse approach to health
Tuesday 16 October 13:15 - 14:15	SESSION 2 Reducing all forms of malnutrition: Double duty actions to prevent NCDs
Wednesday 17 October 13:15 - 14:15	SESSION 3 Eliminating cervical cancer: Combating stigma and political inaction
Thursday 18 October 13:15 - 14:15	SESSION 4 Building the health workforce for NCDs: Reaching vulnerable populations

17-20 OCTOBER

Stroke and NCD Dialogue at the World Stroke Congress in Montreal, Canada

Wednesday 17 October 12:40 - 13:10	SESSION 1 Health systems for people, not siloes for diseases: Shaping a future of integrated care for stroke and NCDs
Thursday 18 October 10:05 - 10:35	SESSION 2 Human health in a sustainable world: How can we address stroke and NCDs in sustainable cities?
Thursday 18 October 12:40 - 13:10	SESSION 3 Expanding access to healthcare for people living with stroke and NCDs: The need for multisectoral approaches
Friday 19 October 10:05 - 10:35	SESSION 4 Leave no-one behind: Putting people living with stroke and NCDs at the centre of healthcare
Friday 19 October 12:40 - 13:10	SESSION 5 Chronic and end-of-life care for people with stroke and NCDs Getting it right

More information soon about the NCD Café at World Congress of Cardiology and Cardiovascular Health in Dubai, United Arab Emirates (5-8 December 2018).

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Partners Corner Supporters News

UICC

2018 World Cancer Congress



1-4 October



Kuala Lumpur



Link to [WCC website](#)



[Register now](#)

If there is one event you can't miss this year it is the 2018 World Cancer Congress and the 3000 cancer and NCD experts who will be heading to Kuala Lumpur in October.

The **programme** is rich and varied and includes workshops, big debates, discussion cafés, more than 700 abstracts presentations and around 100 interactive sessions handpicked for their innovative practice in cancer implementation science. New topic streams on NCDs, health economics and the leadership of cities in addressing cancer care also complete this year's programme.

Once in Kuala Lumpur, you will also be able to take advantage of **countless opportunities to develop new relations and strengthen the existing ones**. Join us in a few weeks and enjoy a rewarding week of learning and sharing.

"It was very helpful to attend the Paris Congress in 2016. I really liked the way you broke up the program with cafe talks, debates and rapid fire sessions. I only had two days but enough to see how you manage to interest such a large gathering without making the event feel too big or alienating."

Anne Jones, Technical Advisor Tobacco Control, International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease (The Union)

American Cancer Society (ACS)

Mission: HPV Cancer Free

The ACS is committing to work towards eliminating cervical cancer in the United States within 40 years by increasing HPV vaccination rates and continued screening. Mission: HPV Cancer Free, is a public health campaign to eliminate vaccine-preventable HPV cancers, starting with cervical cancer. The goal is to fully vaccinate with HPV vaccine 80 percent of 13-year-old boys and girls by 2026 – 20 years after introduction of the first HPV vaccine. ACS will engage with a national coalition of healthcare providers, governments, and public and private entities to increase the availability and utilisation of HPV vaccine.

American College of Cardiology (ACC)

ACC Global ASCVD Prevention Program

The ACC continues to collaborate with counterpart societies around the world on the Global ASCVD (Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease) Prevention Program. Consisting of a three part webinar series to educate clinicians on best practices for patient care at various stages of disease progression and in conjunction with common comorbidities, the program has reached over 50,000 attendees in 10 countries. Recent program activities have concentrated on Latin America and Southeast Asia. ACC experts led webinars on secondary prevention for clinicians in Argentina, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, and Vietnam this spring and summer, and the ACC will be returning in the fall to discuss ASCVD prevention in patients with diabetes and hypertension. Outcomes thus far have pointed to improvement in clinician confidence and competence with key principles for managing and reducing ASCVD risk, and 93% of participants have attested to modifying their practice as a result of the program. The ACC expects to continue the prevention series, which is sponsored by Pfizer, next year with a second curriculum of more advanced content in a subset of participating countries.

World Stroke Organization (WSO)

Tacking oral health and other NCDs through a unified approach

The WSO Leadership attended and the recent Civil Society Interactive in New York. WSO President Werner Hacke delivered a statement on behalf of WSO members and stakeholders making a strong call to turn evidence and knowledge of what works into urgent action. The statement also highlighted the specific issues in relation to awareness of stroke and access to timely treatment both of which are critical to reduced premature mortality and improved outcomes.

KEY ACTIVITIES

- [A template letter to Heads of State and Ministers of Finance](#) has been provided to members. Uganda and the UK have indicated that they have used the document to support government engagement in the HLM and to advocate for increased attention for stroke.
- An [Enough Stroke! Enough NCDs! Week for Action Campaign Briefing](#) has been prepared and shared with our members and stakeholders to raise the profile of stroke in the NCD context.
- Stroke Action Nigeria participated in the development of the National NCD Strategy which now contains specific actions to address stroke as a priority within the country.
- WSO member, the [International Association of Paediatric Stroke](#), has been working with NCD Child to contribute key points on addressing Paediatric Stroke to a Talking Points Paper that will be used at the UN HLM on NCDs.

The Forum of International Respiratory Societies (FIRS)

World Lung Day



25 April



Link to
[World Lung Day webpage](#)

FIRS calls on organisations to rally for respiratory health and clean air by signing up as a World Lung Day supporter. How to get involved:

- Email your logo to Lisa Roscoe (lisa.roscoe@firsnet.org), to add to the [World Lung Day Supporters page](#)
- [Sign the Charter for Lung Health](#)
- Save and use the [World Lung Day materials](#)
- If you're planning a World Lung Day event, send details to Lisa Roscoe

In addition, FIRS' Environmental Committee is producing a review on the role of air pollution in NCDs detailing how air pollution affects many conditions.

NCD Child

NCD advocacy resources for youth by youth



Link to
[Youth-Developed Resources](#)



Read also recent [blog post](#)
by [Dr Shakira Choonara](#)

As a follow-up to the [Call to Action: Youth, NCDs, & 2018](#), NCD Child is pleased to share a number of resources developed by youth advocates to help promote the inclusion of young people in policy-making and policy targets. These include talking points, a template email to government, a social media primer, and much more. [The Next Generation](#) includes over 3.1 billion young people under the age of 25. Now is the time for us to speak up, loudly, and often!

AstraZeneca

"Step Up!" AstraZeneca Young Health Global Grants Programme currently open for applications



[More information here](#)

"Step Up!" the AstraZeneca Young Health Global Grants Programme aims to extend the reach and impact of AstraZeneca's investment in young people's health. It builds on the success of the Young Health Programme and enables a wider range of applications to be considered from NGOs, non-profits and other charitable organisations seeking to innovate and scale their impact in relation to young people's health and wellbeing. It is aligned with UN SDG3 (health and wellbeing) and seeks to fund innovative approaches to improving young people's health.

The deadline for submissions is 14 September 2018 and supported projects must be complete by the end of next year (2019).

Resolve to Save Lives

New partnership between NCD Alliance and Resolve to Save Lives

NCDA is pleased to announce its new partnership with Resolve to Save Lives, a 5-year global health initiative housed by Vital Strategies and supported by Bloomberg Philanthropies, the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Resolve to Save Lives ambitions to save 100 million lives by preventing heart attacks and strokes. The initiative will help countries close life-threatening gaps in epidemic preparedness and response by using proven strategies to take urgent action that improves health in low- and middle-income countries. Together with Resolve to Save Lives and its partners, NCDA will leverage evidence and good practices to build the demand for effective policies and action on a trans-fat free world and mobilise civil society to drive country-level action for the removal of industrially produced trans-fatty acids (TFA) from the food supply in Mexico and Pakistan.

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Coming Up Events for your Diary

SEPTEMBER

3-9 September Global Week for Action on NCDs, global



5-8 September FDI World Dental Congress, Buenos Aires, Argentina



24 September NCD Alliance Supporters Meeting and Thought Leadership Session, New York, USA

24 September UN High-Level Nelson Mandela Peace Summit, New York, USA

25 September UN General Assembly High-Level Debate opens, New York, USA

26 September UN High-Level Meeting on Tuberculosis, New York, USA



27 September UN High-Level Meeting on NCDs, New York, USA



OCTOBER

1-4 October World Cancer Congress (with NCD Café), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia



14-19 October FIGO World Congress of Gynaecology and Obstetrics (with NCD Café), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil



17-20 October World Stroke Congress (with NCD Dialogue), Montreal, Canada



25-26 October Global Conference on Primary Health Care, Astana, Kazakhstan



24-27 October World Conference on Lung Health, The Hague, Netherlands



NOVEMBER

5-6 November General Meeting of the WHO Global Coordination Mechanism
on NCDs 2018, Geneva, Switzerland

7 November Supporters Call

DECEMBER

5-8 December World Congress of Cardiology and Cardiovascular Health (with NCD Café),
Dubai, UAE



12 December Supporters Call

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Latest Publications Useful Readings and Resources

Check out NCDA's relevant resources

NEW

CAMPAIGN FUEL - Guide to social media campaigning for UN HLM on NCDs



Link to **source**



Available in

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This guide has been developed by NCDA to help members of the NCD civil society community join the campaign to demand meaningful change in the lead up to the 2018 UN HLM on NCDs via social media and enoughncds.com. It includes sample messages and useful resources.

NEW

Integrating mental health in the response to NCDs



Link to **source**



Available in

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Developed by members of the World Federation for Mental Health, Mental Health Innovation Network, and NCDA, this resource highlights links between mental health and NCD civil society campaign priorities for the 2018 UN HLM.

Shaping the Health Systems of the Future



Link to **report**



Available in

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This report provides a set of case studies demonstrating the practical benefits of an integrated approach to NCDs, drawn from countries including India, Malawi, Rwanda, Ethiopia, Kenya & Vietnam. The report will be soon available in Spanish as well.

Essential and upcoming readings

Devex series: Talking The Pulse



Link to **series**

Media platform Devex has launched a new series on NCDs, with NCDA as one of its contributors. New reports are added weekly to 'Taking the Pulse'. These include a recent article on [how to better communicate about NCDs](#) and about the importance of [involving youth in the NCD response](#).

The Lancet: Sugar, tobacco, and alcohol taxes to achieve the SDGs



Link to **article**

Co-authored by NCDA CEO Katie Dain, this article reiterates that is time for governments to adopt sugar, tobacco, and alcohol taxes (STAX), as part of a broader public health approach to promote life-course prevention and to address commercial determinants of health.

Building Momentum: WCRF launches nutrition series



Link to **series**

World Cancer Research Fund (WCRF) has launched 'Building Momentum: lessons on implementing evidence-informed nutrition policy'. This series of reports aims to help policymakers overcome common barriers to implement evidence-informed nutrition policy. First report focuses on implementing a robust sugar sweetened beverage tax.

Coming soon

Please note that the editorial calendar is subject to changes.



WEEK OF 10 SEPTEMBER

WHO Global Status Report on Alcohol



WEEK OF 17 SEPTEMBER

WHO NCD Country Profiles

WHO Global Status Report on Tuberculosis

NCD Countdown 2030 (focused on NCD mortality trends)



WEEK OF 24 SEPTEMBER

Lancet Commission on Global Mental Health

Launch of Tobacco Free Finance Pledge

Launch of Alcohol Control and SAFER

UNICEF Young People's Agenda



OCTOBER

Lancet Series on the Double Burden of Nutrition (including obesity and NCDs)

Lancet Commission on Diabetes (mainly clinical, but with some content on public health and policy)

Follow-up Report on Lancet Commission on Investing in Health (with focus on NCDs and primary care)

Lancet – EAT Commission on Food, Planet and Health

Report of Bloomberg Task Force on Fiscal Policies



NOVEMBER

Global Nutrition Report (with focus on NCDs and financing)

Lancet Climate Change Countdown (with some content on NCDs)



DECEMBER

Report of Lancet Global Health Commission on High Quality Health Systems in the SDG Era

WHO Bulletin to highlight commercial drivers of NCDs

The Jan. 2019 WHO Bulletin will focus on the political economy and experiences in addressing the commercial drivers of NCDs. This issue will include papers that address industries' interference and the gaps between policy and the implementation of population-based best-buy interventions.



January 2019



Link to **call for papers**



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