

Dear members of the NCD Alliance network,

This update includes items on:

- Advocacy for a global coordinating mechanism at the UN General Assembly
- Post-2015 update: e-consultation, Beyond 2015 consultation
- Reminder for the next NCD Alliance webinar

UN General Assembly debates NCDs today

With the voluntary [global targets and indicators now agreed](#) and the process for developing the next [Global Action Plan for NCDs](#) well underway, we now have the opportunity to campaign for a global coordinating mechanism for NCDs – another key component of the Global NCD Framework.

As required by the Political Declaration (para 64), the UN Secretary-General issued a report in October on [“Options for strengthening and facilitating multisectoral action for the prevention and control of NCDs through effective partnership”](#) for discussion today in the UN General Assembly. The NCD Alliance has been working with Member States to review the five options proposed for global-level coordination. We developed an [advocacy handout](#) targeting Missions both in Geneva and New York outlining our case for a formal structure that can convene relevant sectors, galvanise action, mobilise resources and promote accountability.

LIVE UPDATE from the General Assembly: The debate has just concluded as we send this email. This is the first time since last September’s Summit that NCDs have been on the agenda of the General Assembly and it seems that Member States are still fired up about the issue. Many are referencing the importance of the Political Declaration in their remarks. Most interventions are suggesting that more time is needed to consider the Secretary General’s report and several have spoken in support of a global coordinating mechanism along the lines of the model we are campaigning for. All Member States are keen to see all of the commitments in the Political Declaration fulfilled according to the agreed timelines.

Post-2015 update

[NCD Alliance e-consultation](#)

Our e-consultation on NCDs in future development goals ended on 18 November. Many thanks to the 132 people who completed the online survey, contributing their thoughts on the position of health and NCDs in the post-2015 framework as well as the lessons learned from the MDGs. This is very useful material for advocacy as well as contributing directly to the formal WHO consultation on health goals – due 15 December. An analysis of the findings will be available shortly.

[Beyond 2015](#)

[Beyond 2015](#) has been mandated by the UN to provide the position of civil society into the thematic consultations and national consultations. [Medicus Mundi International Network \(MMI\)](#) has been tasked to coordinate the drafting of the Beyond 2015 position paper for the consultation on health. NCD Alliance made a [submission](#) and has been accepted as a member of the drafting group for the final paper.

[Other UN Thematic Consultations](#)

NCD Alliance has also contributed a [submission](#) to the UN Thematic Consultation on Inequalities.

Next NCD Alliance webinar

The NCD Alliance will hold two webinars on Wednesday 5 December at 10:30am and 5.00pm CET to cater for different time zones. Invitations to the webinar were sent via email last week. If you did not receive an invitation and would like to join, please email [info@ncdalliance.org](mailto:info@ncdalliance.org).

As always, thank you for your interest and we look forward to updating again soon.

Best wishes,

The NCD Alliance Team