



Third UN High-level Meeting on Non-communicable Diseases

27 September 2018
New York

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

10.00-11.00 am Conference Room 4



OPENING SEGMENT:

Approval of political declaration

Statements:

H. E. Ms. María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés,
President of the General Assembly

Amina J. Mohammed,
Deputy Secretary-General, United Nations

Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus,
Director-General, World Health Organization

H. E. Dr. Tabaré Vázquez,
President of Uruguay,
Co-chair of WHO Independent High-Level Commission on NCDs

HRH Princess Dina Mired of Jordan,
President Elect of the Union for International Cancer Control

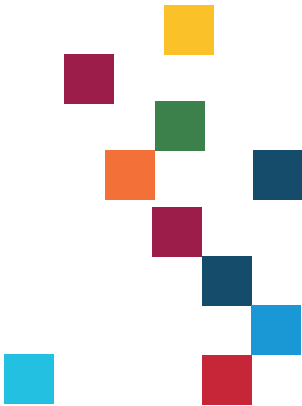
11.00 am -1.00 pm Conference Room 4



PLENARY SEGMENT

11.00 am – 1.00 pm

Trusteeship Council Chamber



MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PANEL 1:

Strengthening health systems and financing for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases, on each country's path towards achieving universal health coverage, including through sharing evidence-based best practices, scientific knowledge and lessons learned

Co-chairs:

H. E. Mr. Edgar Chagwa Lungu,
President of the Republic of Zambia

H. E. Mr. Timothy Harris,
Prime Minister of St. Kitts and Nevis

Keynote address:

Michael Bloomberg,
WHO Global Ambassador for NCDs,
Founder of Bloomberg Philanthropies

Stakeholder panellists:

Sania Nishtar, Founding President of NGO Heartfile
Zoleka Mandela, Global Ambassador, Child Health Initiative
Yoshitake Yokokura, President, World Medical Association

3.00 – 5.30 pm

Conference Room 4

PLENARY SEGMENT

3.00 – 5.00 pm

Trusteeship Council Chamber



MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PANEL 2:

Opportunities and challenges in engaging Governments, civil society and the private sector at the global, regional and national levels to promote multisectoral partnerships for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases and the promotion of healthy lifestyles

Co-chairs:

- H. E. Mr. Christopher Tufton, Minister of Health of Jamaica
- H. E. Ms. Ginette Petitpas Taylor, Minister of Health of Canada

Keynote address:

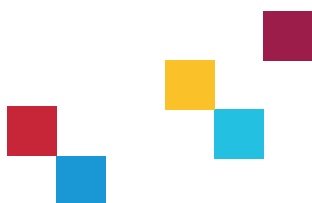
Dr Natalia Kanem, Executive Director, UNFPA

Stakeholder panellists:

Ms Maria Helena Semedo, Deputy Director-General, FAO
Sir Trevor Hassell, President, Healthy Caribbean Coalition
Ms. Gerda Verburg, Coordinator, Scaling-Up Nutrition Movement

5.30 – 6.00 pm

Conference Room 4



CLOSING SEGMENT:

H. E. Mr. Adalberto Campos Fernandes,
Minister of Health of Portugal

H. E. Ms. María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés,
President of the General Assembly

CONCEPT NOTE



Third UN High-level Meeting on Non-communicable Diseases

Context

- In accordance with resolution 72/274 on the “Scope, modalities, format and organization of the third High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases” (NCDs), the President of the General Assembly will convene a one-day high-level meeting on 27 September 2018 in New York to undertake a comprehensive review of the prevention and control of NCDs.
- The theme of the third High-level Meeting on NCDs is “Strengthening health systems and financing for the prevention and control of NCDs, on each country’s path towards achieving UHC, including through sharing evidence-based best practices, scientific knowledge and lessons learned”.
- The third High-level Meeting on NCDs will provide Member States and other stakeholders with an opportunity to contribute to the appraisal of the progress achieved in implementing the commitments made at the UN General Assembly high-level meetings in 2011, 2014 and the progress to achieve the relevant SDG targets of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including the target to reduce by one third premature mortality from NCDs through prevention and treatment.
- The High-level Meeting shall approve a Political Declaration on the prevention and control of NCDs.
- The meeting will comprise of an opening segment, a plenary, two consecutive interactive multi-stakeholder panels held in parallel to the plenary, and a closing segment.

Multi-stakeholder Panel 1 Trusteeship Council Chamber 11:00 to 13:00

Background

- Multi-stakeholder Panel 1 will address the theme “Strengthening health systems and financing for the prevention and control of NCDs, on each country’s path towards achieving universal health coverage, including through sharing evidence-based best practices, scientific knowledge and lessons learned”. Participants will include representatives from Member States, observers, UN entities, civil society, philanthropic foundations, academia, medical associations, the private sector and broader communities.
- Panel 1 will highlight challenges and successes at the national and subnational levels to scale up action to prevent and control NCDs.

Guiding questions

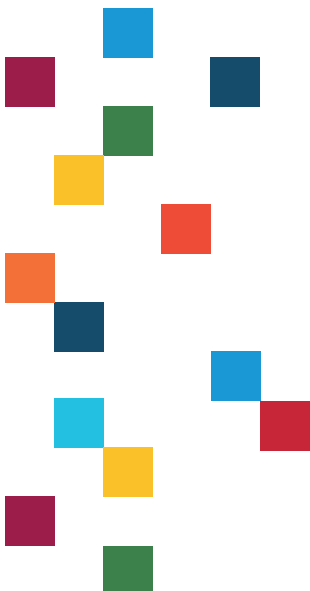
- 1)** How can governments ensure that national UHC packages include NCD and mental health services? Examples from countries that have done this successfully?
- 2)** What specific steps can countries take to make sure NCDs prevention and control are firmly embedded in primary healthcare?
- 3)** What options are available for international financing for NCDs?
- 4)** What are the lessons learned from countries that have developed and implemented fiscal policies to finance NCD responses?

Format

- The Panel will be chaired by two high-level representatives of Member States. Following a short introduction by the co-chairs, panellists will deliver their remarks.
- The floor will then be opened for interventions from Member States and other participants. Speakers should limit their interventions to two minutes each.

Outcome

- The outcome will be a summary of the discussions to be presented during the closing segment.



Multi-stakeholder Panel 2 Trusteeship Council Chamber 15:00 to 17:00

Background

- Multi-stakeholder panel 2 will address the theme “Opportunities and challenges in engaging Governments, civil society and the private sector at the global, regional and national levels to promote multisectoral partnerships for the prevention and control of NCDs diseases and the promotion of healthy lifestyles”. Participants will include representatives from Member States, observers, UN entities, civil society organizations, philanthropic foundations, academia, medical associations, the private sector and broader communities.

Guiding questions

- 1)** How can governments engage the private sector more effectively to contribute to the implementation of national NCD responses for SDG 3.4? Examples of success from countries?
- 2)** What kinds of public-private partnerships can best contribute to national NCD responses? Examples of success from countries?
- 3)** How can governments, civil society, and people living with NCDs be engaged to ensure implementation of the WHO best buys for NCDs and other recommended interventions?

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