

Side event application / Formulaire de demande de réunion parallèle

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Concept
Background

Non-communicable Diseases epidemic remains a significant threat to public health and development in developing countries where nearly 80% NCD deaths occur and the epidemic continues to increase rapidly (1). In the Caribbean, 77% of deaths are from NCDs and the sub-region has the highest rate of premature mortality (dying between 30 to 70 years of age) from NCDs in the Americas (Caribbean 19.3% versus Region of Americas 15.6%) (2). The economic burden is significant in countries such as Trinidad and Tobago where the annual economic burden due to diabetes, hypertension and cancer is US\$1.2 billion or 4.3 percent of GDP and in Jamaica 18 times the total health spending in 2013 (3).

The prevalence of obesity and overweight is one of the main risk factors driving this epidemic in the Region, where the prevalence rates range from 52.9% in Guyana up to 69% in Bahamas (4). There is also a rapid raise in childhood obesity. In Jamaican adolescents 13 -15 years old, obesity prevalence rates increased by 68% and almost doubled in boys over seven years (from 2010 to 2017). Jamaica also has one of the highest levels of consumption of sugar sweetened beverages in the world among adolescents 13-15 years old with 69.9% consuming one or more sugar sweetened beverage per day (5).

NCD investment cases conducted in Barbados and in Jamaica reported that investment in select priority World Organisation best-buy policy and clinical interventions over a 15-year period could see a return on investment of 2.1 for every Jamaican dollar and 4.1 Barbados dollar (6,7).

Progress has been slow in the Caribbean Region, and there is inadequate evidence on the implementation of best/promising practices in low- and middle - income countries especially Small Island Developing States to inform their response. However, Caribbean Governments have doubled their efforts over the past two years in preparation for the 3rd High Level Meeting on NCDs and to meet SDGs targets that will stem the tide of the NCD epidemic.

During this side event we will share some of the recent developments, best/promising practices, lessons learnt that can inform responses in low- and middle-income countries especially Small Island Developing States.

Objectives:

1. To bring together Governments to share the Caribbean experience in scaling up efforts to meet the time-bound global targets for NCDs and Sustainable Development Goal 3.4.
2. To share the lessons learnt and challenges meeting the global targets in the context of Small Island Developing States.
3. To share experience in engaging private sector and civil society in scaling up the National NCD Response.

Expected results:

1. Best practices and lessons learnt in scaling up efforts meeting global targets for NCDs including SDG 3.4. shared including South-South cooperation.
2. Strategies to scale up response in Small Island Developing States identified.
3. Best practices shared in leveraging private sector and civil society in the NCD response.

Programme:

1. A case for NCD prevention: Jamaica Moves – Minister of Health Jamaica
2. Obesity Prevention in Caribbean Setting - Are you drinking yourself sick? - Bloomberg Obesity Advocacy Project
3. A legal approach to preventing NCDs: A Caribbean Perspective – CARICOM
4. Halting the rise of Obesity: **South Pacific Island, Kuwait or Nigeria**
5. Investing in NCD: A Case for Investment Barbados and Jamaica – UNDP, WHO Representative.
6. South-South cooperation support: a paradigm shift for accelerating the NCD response – Chile.

References:

1. Global status report on non-communicable diseases 2010.
2. Regional Mortality Information System. Pan American Health Organisation (PAHO/WHO).
3. PAHO/WHO and Working Document for the Forty-Third Meeting of the Council for Trade and Economic Development (COTED), Georgetown, Guyana, 14-18 November 2016.
4. WHO Global Status Report on NCDs, 2014.
5. Global School Health Survey Jamaica 2017.
6. The Investment Case for Non-communicable Disease Prevention and Control in Jamaica. Ministry of Health, Jamaica, United Nations Development Programme World Health Organization 2017.
7. The Investment Case for Non-communicable Disease Prevention and Control in Barbados. Ministry of Health, Barbados United Nations Development Programme World Health Organization 2015.

Event details / details de la réunion

Expected number of participants/Nombre de participants attendus : 50

Exact title of the meeting/Titre exact de la réunion: Creating and building best practices in the Caribbean to achieve Sustainable Development Goals 3.4.

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