

Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage
Agenda 7: Follow-up to the political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases

Singapore's Written Statement

Singapore commends the Director-General's report for its comprehensive insights and actionable recommendations on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases (NCDs). Singapore has embraced these priorities through the *Healthier Singapore (Healthier SG)* initiative, which emphasises preventive care and chronic disease management and aligns closely with WHO's strategies.

2 As Member States prepare for the fourth high-level meeting on NCDs, we underscore the importance of the Secretariat's support through technical briefings, capacity-building workshops, and multi-stakeholder dialogues. These engagements with Member States are crucial to addressing key risk factors of NCDs.

3 The outcomes of the high-level meeting must reinvigorate global action. A transformative political declaration, with clear and measurable goals can accelerate our aims of achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, especially target 3.4 on NCDs and mental health.

4 Aligning Member States with WHO strategies requires actionable frameworks. Singapore supports WHO's efforts to strengthen mental health systems through the Comprehensive Mental Health Action Plan 2013–2030 and accelerate cervical cancer elimination via the Global Strategy to Accelerate the Elimination of Cervical Cancer. We have integrated cervical cancer screening and HPV vaccinations into routine care, demonstrating the effectiveness of comprehensive approaches. Similarly, WHO's mental health initiatives align with Singapore's community-based programs, which provide accessible and localised support.

5 Lastly, increased investment in primary healthcare and NCD prevention is essential. By prioritising universal health coverage and addressing social determinants of health, we can achieve equitable and sustainable outcomes for all.

6 Singapore remains committed to sharing best practices and collaborating with Member States to advance global progress in NCD prevention and control.