

Statement at the 79th World Health Assembly
On Non-Communicable Diseases and Mental Health

Esteemed Chair,
Distinguished Delegates,

Armenia stands firmly committed to reducing the burden of non-communicable diseases through a people-centered, preventive approach aligned with the WHO Global Action Plan. As part of our active implementation of Universal Health Coverage, we have modernized our healthcare infrastructure and strengthened primary care. This has successfully scaled up regular screenings, early detection, and reduced premature mortality from cardiovascular diseases, cancer, and diabetes.

Furthermore, we have restructured our public health centers to serve as the frontline defense against NCDs. Under the umbrella of Universal Health Coverage, diagnostics, essential medicines, and long-term care management for chronic conditions are now integrated at the community level.

Backed by targeted investment cases for tobacco control and strong intersectoral collaboration, our national measures range from food product regulations to community-based lifecycle initiatives, such as the "Healthy Longevity" program for older adults and our regional healthy lifestyle campaigns for schoolchildren.

Armenia's commitment to international cooperation is stronger than ever. We are delighted to announce that Armenia will host the COP12 and MOP5 Sessions of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control in 2027.

True health equity means ensuring essential care is universally accessible. Therefore, it is the distinct honor of Armenia to introduce the "Resolution on Hemophilia." This pioneering framework addresses critical global gaps in systemic underdiagnosis and inequitable access to treatment.

Finally, in a strong commitment to global health partnerships, Armenia expresses its full support for Egypt and its proposed resolution.

Thank you.