

NCD Alliance Announces Shortlisted Candidates for 2025–2027 President-Elect and Board of Directors

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The NCD Alliance (NCD Alliance) has officially announced the shortlisted candidates for the upcoming election of its President-Elect, general Board of Directors and lived experience Board Member for the 2025–2027 term. The announcement comes in advance of NCD Alliance’s virtual General Assembly, scheduled for 6 May 2025.

Held every two years, the General Assembly brings together members from across the network to review the organisation’s progress, discuss strategic priorities, and make key decisions that guide NCD Alliance’s work. Here members will formally review activity and financial reports, consider proposed constitutional changes, and elect leadership for the next term.

At the 2025 General Assembly, Founding and Full members will elect the President-Elect, seven (7) general Board of Directors members and one (1) lived experience Board of Directors for the term 2025-2027. A detailed [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#) [1] outlines the nominations and shortlisting process, as well as background information on the size of the Board, and the roles and responsibilities of the Board of Directors and President-Elect.

Meet the Candidates

Biographies and personal statements from all shortlisted candidates are now available online via the link below. These materials aim to support NCD Alliance members in making informed decisions during the election process.

Additionally, each candidate has recorded a short video outlining their motivations for joining the NCD Alliance Board. These videos can be viewed on the individual candidate profile pages.

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Candidates for NCD Alliance President-Elect

- Eva Njenga, Former Chair and Founding Member, NCD Alliance Kenya, Kenya
- Saunthari Somasundaram, President and Medical Director, National Cancer Society Malaysia and Co-Chairperson, NCD Malaysia (NCDM), Malaysia

Candidates for NCD Alliance Board of Directors

- Jennifer Bae, Executive Director of Global Innovation, American College of Cardiology, United States of America
- Lara Bloom, CEO and President, The Ehlers-Danlos Society, United Kingdom
- Beatriz Champagne, Executive Director, Coalición Latinoamérica Saludable / Healthy Latin America Coalition (CLAS)), Argentina
- Ratna Devi, CEO, Board Member and Trustee, Dakshama Health and Education and Founding Board Member, Healthy India Alliance (HIA), India
- Jaime Galvez Tan, Lead Convener, Healthy Philippines Alliance, Philippines
- Stefan Islandi, Director, Danish NCD Alliance (DNCDA), Denmark
- Ishu Kataria, Senior Public Health Researcher, RTI International, India
- Isabel Mestres, CEO, City Cancer Challenge (C/CAN), Spain
- Zied Mhirsi, Board Member, Eastern Mediterranean NCD Alliance (EM-NCD), Tunisia
- Joseph Mucumbitsi, SChair, Rwanda NCD Alliance and President, East Africa NCD Alliance (EANCD), Rwanda
- Haruka Sakamoto, Senior Manager, Health and Global Policy Institute, Japan
- Verónica Schoj, Vice President, Food and Nutritional Programs, Global Health Advocacy Incubator (GHA), Argentina
- Pubudu Amarajith Sumanasekara, Consultant, Sri Lanka Alcohol and Drug Information Centre (ADIC), Sri Lanka
- Laura Tucker-Longworth, Member, Healthy Caribbean Coalition (HCC), Belize

Candidates for Lived Experience Board Member

- Chikhulupiro Stanley Ng'ombe, Project Officer, NCD Alliance Malawi, Malawi
- Emily Ong, Board Member, Alzheimer's Disease International (ADI), Singapore
- Mohammed Seyam, Post Graduate Candidate UCL, Eastern Mediterranean NCD Alliance (EM-NCD), State of Palestine

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