

NCDs in LMICs: A global health crisis, says Council of Foreign Relations report

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'The Emerging Global Health Crisis: Noncommunicable Diseases in Low- and Middle-Income Countries'

[1]report was released today by the Council on Foreign Relations Independent Task Force on NCDs in Washington, DC.

"Once thought to be challenges for affluent countries alone, cardiovascular diseases, cancer, diabetes, and other noncommunicable diseases (NCDs) are now the leading cause of death and disability in developing countries. In 2013, these diseases killed eight million people before their sixtieth birthdays in these countries", highlights the report.

The urgency of this situation led the Council on Foreign Relations to convene a bipartisan Task Force—its first ever devoted to a global health matter—to assess the NCD crisis in developing countries and recommend a practical and scalable strategy for intervention.

The Task Force finds that leadership on this new emerging global health crisis is vital to U.S. interests—in improved global health, and increased trade and development. The report looks at the factors behind this epidemic and the ways the United States can best fight it.

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