

## Political Declaration on NCDs agreed

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The Political Declaration for the HLM on NCDs was finally agreed by Member States in New York and will now be transmitted for approval by Heads of State and Government at the UN High-Level Meeting on NCDs on 27 September.

Approval was delayed by disagreement over 1 of the 34 paragraphs of the document, which deals with The Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS). These are flexibilities in intellectual property rules on essential medicines, which governments can use to safeguard public health.

- [Download the text submitted to Member States](#) [1] during the mandatory 'silence procedure'
- The final version is [now available here](#) [2] (link updated 25 October)
- Read the [NCD Alliance critique](#) [3] of the draft Political Declaration
- Follow our live updates from the HLM and the rest of the UN General Assembly on Twitter: [@ncdalliance](#).

*"Ensuring healthy lives for the world's people now depends on leaders determined to carry the baton by prioritising optimal health for all people and fully grasping that the HLM must be a transition point from commitment to action which goes well beyond the minimal standards set out in the text of the Political Declaration". - Katie Dain, CEO, NCD Alliance*

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