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Ethiopia stands out as a promising example of national leadership and innovation in addressing the growing burden of noncommunicable diseases (NCDs) in Africa. Since 2014, the government has implemented strategic action plans to prevent, diagnose, and manage NCDs, with a strong focus on integrating services into its decentralized health system.

Despite ongoing challenges—such as workforce capacity, financing gaps, and access to essential medical supplies—Ethiopia is making significant strides in expanding NCD care, especially at the primary healthcare level and in rural areas. This case study explores the country's efforts, lessons learned, and the critical next steps toward achieving the global target of reducing premature NCD mortality by one-third by 2030.

Read the full case study to learn how Ethiopia is turning commitment into action for NCD prevention and care.

This case study is part of a series exploring the importance of strong health systems for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) target 3.4 to reduce premature mortality from NCDs by one-third by 2030.

We also invite you to explore the first case on NCDs in humanitarian settings [2] and the third case study on NCD and HIV care [3].

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