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Co-morbidity, where a person lives with one or more disease or condition at the same time, is increasingly becoming the norm globally, and the number of people living with more than one NCD has steadily increased over the past 20 years. Diabetes and hypertension for example commonly occur together, and both are linked to a wide range of other NCDs, due to complications or being triggered by the same risk factors. This policy brief therefore makes the case for simultaneous action for both conditions as an opportunity for decision-makers to achieve an exponential positive impact on wellbeing, health systems strengthening and sustainable development.

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