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Agenda item 6: Political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases, and mental health

Draft updated menu of policy options and cost-effective interventions for the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases

UICC, supported by the NCD Alliance, warmly welcomes the report provided and acknowledges the extensive work undertaken to update the recommended interventions for NCDs or 'Best Buys'.

We celebrate improvements in age-standardised mortality, but note with concern the insufficient progress in ensuring coverage of essential NCD services together with the growth in the absolute number of cancer and NCD cases globally. The Best Buys provide Member States with a valuable resource to drive action and we encourage countries to:

- Utilise tools like cancer costing framework to support dialogue and evidence-based selection of interventions, and engage CSOs in the prioritisation process
- Progressively include cancer and NCD services into UHC benefit packages and financial protection measures
- Ensure people-centred care across the life-course, including for vulnerable groups such as older adults who form the majority of cancer and NCD patients
- Support WHO to periodically update these recommendations.

Document references EB152/6 and EB152/6 Add.1

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