

TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER

Become a member of the NCD Alliance



Who we are

The NCD Alliance (NCDA) is leading the way to a world where everyone has the opportunity for a healthy life, free from preventable suffering, stigma, disability and death caused by noncommunicable diseases (NCDs).

NCDs are now widely recognised as a major challenge to health and sustainable human development in the 21st century. NCDs are the leading cause of death and disability worldwide, responsible for 70% of global mortality. This figure is projected to reach 74% by 2030, exacting a heavy and growing toll on the health and economic security of all countries. Increasingly, it is low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) and the poorest and most vulnerable populations which are hardest hit by these largely preventable diseases.

Since 2009, NCDA has built its reputation as a respected and credible global civil society movement leading the global fight against NCDs. NCDA brings together a truly unique network of over 2,000 civil society organisations in 170 countries, spanning different diseases and risk factors that encompass the NCD agenda. NCDs – mainly cancer, cardiovascular diseases, chronic respiratory diseases, and diabetes – are driven largely by four main modifiable risk factors – tobacco use, unhealthy diet, physical inactivity, and harmful use of alcohol.

The “glue” that binds NCDA’s diverse network is the recognition that we have a common agenda – that these diseases and conditions share drivers, determinants, and risk factors, and demand common and integrated solutions. These solutions include sustained political leadership, prevention and health promotion, health system strengthening to improve early diagnosis and treatment, sustainable financing, and meaningful involvement of people living with NCDs.

NCDA provides a mutual platform for convening, collaboration and joint advocacy on NCDs. The mantra of NCDA has always been “together we are stronger”, and working in partnership and collaboration is in our DNA. Our greatest strength lies in the capacity of our network, our ability to ground global advocacy in the reality of local experience, and our independence and integrity.

A NETWORK of



2,000⁺
MEMBER
ASSOCIATIONS

in
170 COUNTRIES



What we do

Our **mission** is to unite and strengthen civil society to stimulate collaborative advocacy, action and accountability for NCD prevention and control.

NCDA is a recognised global thought leader on NCD policy and practice, a convener of the civil society movement, a partner to governments and UN agencies, and a catalyst for the voices of people at risk of or living with NCDs.

We have an impressive track record, but we also have the vision, the expertise and the solutions to drive change, bridging local insights and global discussions.



ADVOCACY

NCDA leads global civil society advocacy campaigns to further political commitment and action on NCD prevention and control. As the leading civil society voice for NCDs at the World Health Organization (WHO) and the United Nations (UN), our advocacy is focused, evidence-based, and draws upon the capacity and reach of our global network. We strive to build political leadership and effective policy environments for NCDs at global and national levels, and unlock the power of global commitments and targets, such as the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

NCDA's capacity development activities currently focus on three levels at which capacity is grown and nurtured: individuals, organisations and an enabling environment. We aim for a vibrant and united NCD civil society movement that can effectively deliver on its four primary roles — advocacy, awareness, accountability and access. Our efforts focus on supporting national and regional NCD alliances and communities of people living with NCDs. Today, NCDA works with a growing network of over 55 national and regional NCD alliances around the world, providing vital platforms for unified advocacy.



ACCOUNTABILITY

Accountability is a crucial force for political and programmatic change to ensure delivery on commitments to address NCDs. Through monitoring, review and action, accountability provides information on what works and why, and what requires increased attention. NCDA plays a central role in promoting strong accountability systems for NCDs, to ensure promises made by governments and UN agencies are adhered to and delivered on. Our activities span acting as a global watchdog over the UN and WHO, leading monitoring and accountability initiatives to track progress on NCDs, and spearheading civil society monitoring initiatives.



KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE

One of the major challenges for the global fight against NCDs is closing the gap between knowledge and action. NCDA works as an alliance yielding a valuable wealth of knowledge and good practice related to NCDs from all around the world, and provides unrivalled channels to promote and disseminate the knowledge among policy makers and advocates alike. Furthermore, we are well-positioned to catalyse multisectoral debate and build consensus on key issues related to NCDs, playing an important role as a convener of the global NCD community.

Why we matter

As an international and inclusive organisation, NCDA is uniquely placed to drive the NCD agenda forward.

We unite and lead the global NCD civil society movement, bridging a broad community of disease and risk factor groups for a common cause and cultivating a network of over 55 national and regional NCD alliances.

We are both a strong voice for people living with NCDs and a platform that supports individuals to speak up and take action at national and global levels, helping to place those most affected by NCDs at the heart of the response.

We have a proven track record in focused, evidence-based advocacy, drawing upon the capacity, expertise and reach of our global network of leading scientific and public health experts who inform our policy, advocacy and programmatic work.

We are a respected partner and collaborator to WHO, the UN and governments worldwide, and have broad experience of working in strategic partnerships across all sectors.

We convene the NCD civil society community at national, regional and global levels, and provide a platform for information exchange and cross-fertilisation.

Our network covers over 170 countries, enabling us to ground our advocacy and technical work in the reality of diverse contexts and cultures and ensure local ownership and support for our projects and programmes.

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We are delighted to join the NCD Alliance and work with colleagues from other disease communities to keep the pressure on UN Member States and governments to ensure NCDs, including kidney disease, get the attention they deserve.”

Prof. David Harris, President of ISN, NCDA full member



Why become a member of the NCD Alliance

NCDA membership structure helps create a sense of community and solidarity with like-minded organisations committed to advance the global NCD agenda for a world where everyone has the opportunity for a healthy life, free from the preventable suffering, stigma, disability and death caused by NCDs.

When you become an NCDA member, you help build the reach of a global network that extends across more than 170 countries. Through your membership, you grow and strengthen our collective potential and power to drive change and effective action on NCDs across global regions and development sectors. In this way, you help activate and strengthen civil society's capacity to connect global and local issues and the actors striving to address them.

Members access a range of benefits designed to enhance visibility, networking, and information sharing to support their work. Joining gives you access to various channels and platforms for deeper engagement between partners and allies working on similar themes or sharing similar challenges, but also to a number of thematic, interest-based or regional sub-networks of the NCD community.



Reasons to become a member

In brief

Join the global NCD movement and represent your priorities internationally



Be at the heart of the global NCD and health agenda and be informed on the latest developments in the NCD world.

Contribute to global advocacy efforts to increase political commitment for NCDs as a global health and development priority and hold governments accountable.

Engage with global NCD events and discussions to help prioritise investments for NCDs.

Connect with experts regionally and globally, and leverage opportunities for action



Expand your international network and share knowledge on a global stage and across the NCD community, including via the Global NCD Alliance Forum.

Meet and influence decision makers and activate change in your region.

Forge strategic partnerships and connect your organisation with the broader NCD community.

Increase your organisational capacities and take your advocacy work to the next level



Participate in online and face-to-face training opportunities on advocacy and capacity development.

Access NCDA platforms of best practices and knowledge sharing on NCD policy and practice.

Share your experience and support the empowerment of the NCD movement via peer-to-peer learning.

Who can become a member?

NCDA membership is open to civil society organisations and alliances from international, regional and national levels engaged in NCDs; to organisations working across and within the NCD community; and to broader global health and development organisations that have a specific and dedicated focus on NCDs.



* Civil society organisations (CSOs) are non-governmental and not-for-profit organisations that have a presence in public life. They refer to a wide array of organisations, from non-governmental organisations (NGOs) to community groups, labour unions and faith-based organisations.

Businesses, foundations and governments can become partners of the NCD Alliance but not members.

Membership categories

NCDA offers two membership categories.

- 1 Full membership**
Is available to organisations, networks or entities that are substantially engaged in evidence-based NCD advocacy and practice, and wish to play an active role in NCDA's governance.
- 2 Associate membership**
Is available to organisations, networks or entities that support NCDA objectives and activities.

To receive our weekly newsletter, interested organisations can opt in to become a network member of NCDA (no fee applicable).

Membership benefits

Benefits	Full	Associate
Invitation to the NCD General Assembly meetings (every two years).	✓	✓ (as observer, no voting rights)
Opportunity to nominate candidates for the election of NCD Board Members at the NCD General Assembly meetings.	✓	✓
Opportunity to nominate candidates for the election of NCD President at the NCD General Assembly meetings.	✓	
Right to vote and have a voice in NCD's strategy and governance during the NCD General Assembly meetings.	✓	
Priority invitations to the Global NCD Alliance Forum, high-level receptions, global roundtables, regional meetings and advocacy briefings.	✓	
Showcase your work on our global communication platforms, such as our website, social media channels, blog, webinars and calendar of events.	✓	
Use our logo and auspices for your own events (upon approval).	✓	
Receive our bi-monthly NCD Members' Bulletin, monthly NCD Digest and weekly newsletter.	✓	✓
Invitation to our webinars highlighting the latest NCD developments, global campaign priorities and key country work.	✓	✓
Access to our advocacy resources and capacity development materials and toolkits.	✓	✓
Recognition on our website and in printed materials, including our Annual Report.	✓	✓

Membership fees

NCD offers a tiered annual fee structure:

	Full	Associate
Low-income countries*	\$500	\$200
Lower-middle income countries*	\$2k	\$1k
Upper-middle income countries*	\$3k	\$1.5k
High-income countries*	\$4k	\$2.5k

NCD founding federations' member associations (members of WHF, UICC, The Union, IDF) that are based in low- and middle income countries can have a 25% discount in membership fees.

NCD offers a tiered nominal fee structure for national and regional NCD alliances, and for their members based in low- and middle-income countries. For further information, please contact membership@ncdalliance.org.

* Country income classifications are defined as per World Bank income classification at the time of application or payment of fee for membership renewal.

You can also join our group of Supporters for more exclusive opportunities

In addition to membership, interested organisations have the opportunity to upgrade their engagement and join the NCD Supporters Group (\$25k per annum for NGOs).

Our Supporters Group includes forward-thinking companies, foundations, academia and non-governmental organisations that seek to become leading organisations in the fight against NCDs and share a common interest in leveraging global NCD advocacy processes and platforms for stronger engagement with the global NCD community.

As a group, partners in the NCD Supporters Group have access to exclusive benefits, including high-level engagement opportunities, and develop an individually tailored work plan with the NCD Alliance with specific deliverables.

Examples of deliverables include:

Joint programmes and advocacy initiatives

Co-sponsored side events and high-level roundtables

Co-branded policy briefs

Capacity building resources and publications

National/regional workshops with people living with NCDs and/or with NCD alliances in shared priority countries, etc.

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We are proud to be a key member of the NCD Alliance. As NCDs gain increasing focus globally, it creates exciting opportunities to reach new communities and move stroke prevention, treatment and rehabilitation forward.”

Prof. Bo Norrving, former President of WSO, NCD full member and supporter



Complete the online application at
ncdalliance.org/membership

For further information,
please contact



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TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER

Do you want to join the NCD movement and ensure your priorities are represented globally at the highest level?

Would you like to connect with NCD advocates and experts at regional and global level, and leverage opportunities for strategic and coordinated action?

Are you ready to take your advocacy work to the next level?



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