

The NCD Alliance

Putting non-communicable diseases
on the global agenda

NCD Alliance Webinar Wednesday 7 May 2014



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Opening Remarks



Agenda

1. 67th Session of the World Health Assembly:

- Official agenda
- NCD Alliance priorities
- Activities/side events

2. UN NCD Review 2014:

- Agreed modalities
- NCD Alliance preparations / priorities
- Call to action

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Overview

1. Official agenda
2. NCD Alliance priorities
3. Relevant agenda items:
 - Agenda item 13: NCDs
 - Agenda item 14: Health through the life course
 - Agenda item 15: Health Systems
 - Agenda item 11: WHO Reform
4. WHA side events and NCD Alliance activity



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Official agenda

Agenda Item 11: WHO Reform

- 11.3 Engagement with Non-State Actors
- 11.4 Follow-up to Financing Dialogue

Agenda Item 13: Noncommunicable Diseases

- 13.1 Prevention and control of NCDs
- 13.2 Maternal, infant and young child nutrition
- 13.3 Disability
- 13.4 Management of autism spectrum disorders
- 13.5 Psoriasis

WHA 67 papers: http://apps.who.int/gb/e/e_wha67.html

WHA 67 Journal: http://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA67/A67_JourP-en.pdf

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Agenda Item 14: Promoting health through the life course

- 14.1 Monitoring achievement of MDGs /Health in Post-2015
- 14.4 Multisectoral action for a life course approach to healthy ageing
- 14.6 Sustainable action across sectors to improve health and health equity

Agenda Item 15: Health Systems

- 15.4 Access to essential medicines
- 15.5 Palliative Care

67th World Health Assembly Preliminary Daily Timetable

- **Monday 19 May:** Opening, Communicable diseases
- **Tuesday 20 May:** WHO Reform, NCDs
- **Wednesday 21 May:** Post-2015, Health systems
- **Thursday 22 May:** Health systems, Programme budget
- **Friday 23 May:** Reports
- **Saturday 24 May:** Close



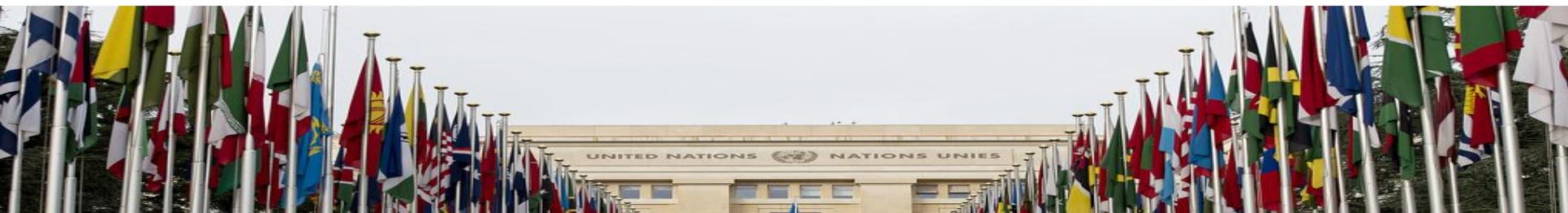
Preliminary timetable:

http://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA67/A67_JourP-en.pdf

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NCD Alliance Priorities

- Encourage adoption of **Global Coordination Mechanism (GCM)** on NCDs and support an ambitious **work plan**
- Raise awareness and support for a successful **UN NCD Review 2014**
- Promote importance of health and NCDs in **post-2015 development**
- Support **Palliative Care resolution**



67th WHA agenda item 13: NCDs



Paper A67/14: Prevention and control of NCDs:

- Progress on WHO assignments – GAP 2013-2020, GCM, UN Task Force, action plan indicators – **GCM paper not published yet (Addendum I)**
- WHO's role in preparation, implementation, follow-up to UN General Assembly 2014 review and assessment – **paper not published yet (Addendum II)**
- Progress on WHO GAP 2008-2013

Action by the World Health Assembly

- UN Interagency Task Force ToR: **Recommend submission to ECOSOC in June 2014**
- Action plan indicators: **Adopt nine action plan indicators**
- Global Coordination Mechanism: **Adopt GCM ToR and review work plan**



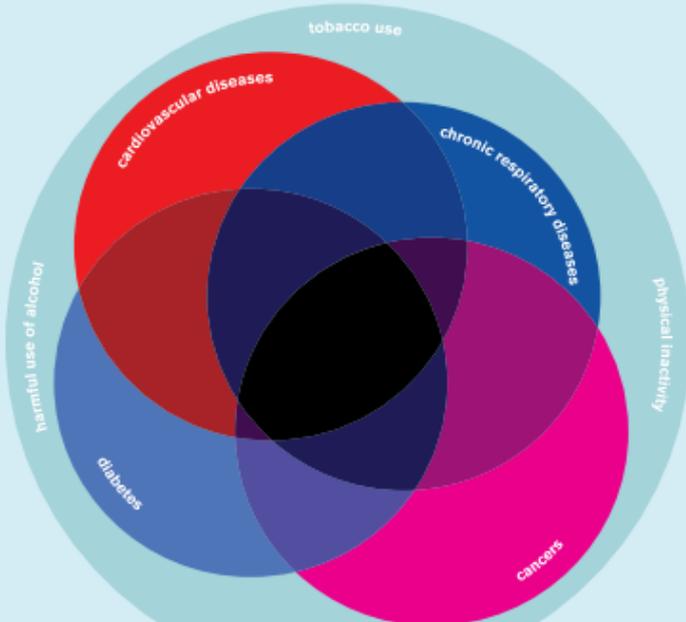
Global NCD Action Plan 2008-2013

Evaluation of Progress

Working in partnership to prevent and control the 4 noncommunicable diseases – cardiovascular diseases, diabetes, cancers and chronic respiratory diseases and the 4 shared risk factors – tobacco use, physical inactivity, unhealthy diets and the harmful use of alcohol.



2008-2013 Action Plan
for the Global Strategy
for the Prevention and Control
of Noncommunicable Diseases



The diagram illustrates the relationship between four noncommunicable diseases (NCDs) and four shared risk factors. The NCDs are represented by overlapping circles: cardiovascular diseases (red), chronic respiratory diseases (blue), diabetes (purple), and cancers (pink). The risk factors are represented by overlapping circles: tobacco use (light blue), physical inactivity (light green), harmful use of alcohol (light purple), and unhealthy diets (light pink). The central intersection of all four NCDs and all four risk factors is shaded black, indicating a common area of focus for the action plan.

OBJECTIVES

1. Raise the **priority** accorded to NCDs at global national levels
2. Establish and strengthen **national policies** and plans
3. Reduce exposure to **risk factors**
4. Promote **research** for NCD prevention and control
5. Promote **partnerships**
6. **Monitor** NCDs and their determinants, **evaluate** progress

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UN Interagency Task Force on NCDs

- Formally established at **ECOSOC 2013** – expands mandate of UN TF on Tobacco Control
- Opportunity to leverage a **UN system-wide response** to NCDs
- Member States **finalised ToRs and DoTRs** in November 2013
- **WHA to note ToR and recommend submission to ECOSOC's 2014 coordination and management meeting**
- **Next UN Task Force Meeting:**
16/17 June in New York



UN Task Force 29/30 January Meeting report:

[http://www.who.int/nmh/Report UN Task Force on NCDs Second Meeting 29 30 January 2014.pdf](http://www.who.int/nmh/Report_UN_Task_Force_on_NCDs_Second_Meeting_29_30_January_2014.pdf)

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Overview of UN Task Force ToRs

Purpose: *To coordinate the activities of the UN system to support the realization of commitments in the Political Declaration on NCDs through implementation of the GAP 2013-2020*

- **Members:** UN, development banks, IGOs (A67/14, Annex 3)
- **Secretariat:** WHO
- **Accountability:** Reporting to ECOSOC; biennial reporting on DoTRs to ECOSOC and WHA.
- **Links to GCM:** TF members participate in GCM
- **Division of tasks and responsibilities:** Organised around GAP objectives / 27 work areas; convening and partner orgs

UN Task Force work plan:

http://www.who.int/nmh/UN_Task_Force_on_NCDs_Workplan_2014_2015.pdf?ua=1



- Action plan indicators **finalised at 15 Nov 2013 Member State meeting**
- Set of **nine** action plan indicators to “assess overall progress in implementing the GAP”
- Applicable to **Member States** and the **WHO Secretariat**
- Applicable across the **6 objectives** of GAP
- ***WHA to adopt action plan indicators***

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Overview of Action Plan Indicators

1. Operational multisectoral national NCD policy , strategy or action plan	6. Operational policy, strategy or action plan to reduce unhealthy diet
2. Operational NCD unit in MoH	7. Evidence-based national guidelines for management of NCDs via PHC
3. Operational alcohol policy , strategy, or action plan	8. National policy and plan on NCD-related research
4. Operational physical activity policy , strategy or action plan	9. NCD surveillance and monitoring systems to enable reporting against GMF targets
5. Operational policy, strategy or action plan to reduce the burden of tobacco use	

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GCM Terms of reference

Previously agreed (November 2013):

- **Purpose/scope:** facilitating and enhancing coordination...to contribute to implementation of GAP
- **Functions:** advocacy; knowledge exchange; innovation; multisectoral action; resource mobilisation
- **Participants:** led by Member States; UN Task Force, non-state actors
- **Name:** “GCM/NCD”
- **Lifespan:** 2014-2021

23-25 April Formal Member States Meeting:

- **Advisory Group** proposal dropped
- **Structural components:**
 - 1) WHO Governing Bodies (EB/WHA)
 - 2) WHO Secretariat
 - 3) Working Groups – established by WHO DG, comprised of “experts”
- One **general meeting** in 2017

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Where does the GCM sit on the scale?

Smaller, relatively
looser network

Larger, formalized
structures



UN Road
Safety (RS)
Collaboration

PMNCH

Stop TB
Partnership

GAVI
Alliance

Global Fund to
Fight AIDS, TB
& Malaria

UNAIDS

GCM/NCD

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GCM in Summary

✓ **GCM five functions are ambitious and promotes a clear added value**

✗ **But...the structure is very weak and not fit for purpose:**

- Fails to “walk the talk” on multisectoral engagement/action
- Replicates previously unsuccessful models of partnerships (e.g. WHO NCDnet)
- Lacks a partner-centric approach
- Working groups only way for NGOs to get involved (“experts”?)

✗ **And...inadequate resourcing to deliver results:**

- Small secretariat in WHO NMH cluster
- Budget of \$1.8 million USD for 2014-15 budget year

Actions by the WHA

- **Adopt GCM/NCD ToRs**
- **Review GCM/NCD draft work plan 2014-2015 (potential working group)**

Agenda item 13.2: Maternal, infant and young child nutrition

- **WHA to note report and provide further guidance on decision EB134(2):**
 - a) Develop risk assessment/management tools for COI in nutrition;
 - b) GMF on maternal, infant and young child nutrition;
 - c) Address inappropriate marketing of complementary foods; and
 - d) Process to develop OD for Second International Conference on Nutrition (ICN2)

Agenda item 13.3: Disability draft action plan 2014-2021

- **WHA to adopt action plan:**
- **Includes 3 objectives:** remove barriers to services/programmes; strengthen rehabilitation, assistive technology, assistance and support services; strengthen data on disability
- Fits with concept of Universal health coverage in that it feeds into health for all and strengthens the continuity of care (by extending rehab).

Agenda item 13.5 Psoriasis

- **WHA to adopt resolution:**
- Outlines key actions to improve care of people with psoriasis, incl. ensure commitment of policy-makers; improve access to services and essent. Medicines; education and training for health care providers.

**67th WHA agenda item 14:
Health through the life course**



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Promoting Health through the Life course

Item 14.1: Report on Health in Post-2015 (A67/20):

- OWG 10: potential targets under “health and population dynamics”: unfinished health MDGs; emerging global health priorities; UHC and broader determinants of ill-health; issues related to population dynamics
- WHO and WB framework to measure Member State progress towards UHC; could be used as basis to define goals/targets
- Emerging narrative on goals is inclusive, based on **maximizing health at all ages**
- **WHA to note report**

*“Prime concern for WHO is to **support an approach that allows a wide variety of interests within the health sector to be accommodated as part of a single framework.** This strategy encourages collaboration, and reduces competition between different health conditions, different health interventions and different population groups. WHO will also continue to **pursue the use of health indicators as a way of measuring progress in all three pillars of sustainable development**”*

Sustainable Action Across Sectors

Agenda item 14.6: Sustainable action across sectors to improve health and health equity

1. Report on outcome of 8th Global Conference on Health Promotion; outcomes included *Helsinki Statement* and development of **Framework for Country Action**
 - In lead up / as outcome of conference case studies of regional frameworks for country action have been compiled, scheduled to be published by June 2014
2. Resolution EB134.R8
 - Calls for synergies between health and other sectors in post-2015 framework;
 - Requests DG to prepare **Framework for Country Action** for consideration by WHA.

Action by WHA

- **WHA to note report and adopt draft resolution EB134.R8 (revised draft for WHA not yet available)**



67th WHA agenda item 15: Health Systems



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Agenda item 15.5: Strengthening of palliative care as a component of integrated treatment throughout the life course

The resolution outlines four key areas:

- Ensure integration of palliative care into structure and financing of health care systems at all levels;
- Strengthen and expand human resources, including education and training;
- Ensure availability of essential medicines for management of symptoms, in particular opioid analgesics for pain relief and respiratory distress;
- Assess needs for palliative care and identifying standards and models of service, particularly in limited resource settings.
- ***WHA to adopt resolution EB134.R7***

WHA Document:

http://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA67/A67_31-en.pdf

67th WHA agenda item 11: WHO Reform



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WHO Reform Overview



Programmatic reform to improve people's health



Governance reform to increase coherence in global health



Managerial reform in pursuit of organizational excellence





67th WHA: WHO Reform Programmes and Priority Setting

Progress to date

- 66th WHA approved 12th General Programme of Work 2014-2019 and Programme Budget 2014-2015
- NCDs /mental health identified as a priority and allocated USD 318 million
- 2 financing dialogues held for more diverse, predictable, flexible and transparent financing
- **74% funding for programme budget 14-15 available against approved budget (web portal indicates only 50% for NCD category)**

Next Steps

- Independent evaluation of financing dialogue (A67/8) will be presented to WHA; document not published yet

Action by 67th WHA

- ***WHA invited to note the Secretariat's Report on the Financing Dialogue (A67/7)***



67th WHA: WHO Reform Governance Reform

Progress to date

- Agreement on 5 types of NSA interaction with WHO
- Agreement on need for enhanced risk assessment/management, and transparency (e.g. web-based transparency register)
- Agreement by 134 EB that NGO statements no longer cleared in advance, and statements will be posted on WHO website in advance of EB, WHA, and RCMs
- **An Informal Member State Consultation took place on 27-28 March to review:**
 - Overarching Framework for Engagement with Non-State Actors
 - WHO Policy and operational procedures on engagement with NGOs
 - WHO Policy and operational procedure

A revised draft is due to be presented to the WHA for discussion – **this revised draft has not yet been published.**

**67th WHA
NCD Side Events**



NCD Alliance Pre-NGO Briefing

Purpose: To provide an overview of WHA, NCD-related agenda items, and coordinate advocacy efforts

When: Sunday 18 May, 16:00-18:00

Venue: UICC Office, 62 Route de Frontenex, 1207, Geneva

Are you attending WHA? Join us for our pre-WHA NGO Briefing!

RSVP to: info@ncdalliance.org



NCD Alliance High-Level Side Events

The NCD Alliance will be holding two high-profile side events:

Monday 19 May at Geneva Press Club, 19.00-21.00

NCD Countdown to 2025: Measuring Progress, Accelerating Action

- Co-hosted with The Lancet
- Introduces *NCD Countdown 2025* - new multidisciplinary collaborative project to monitor progress & promote action towards agreed 2025 NCD targets
- Central importance to accountability in realising the commitments made since the 2011 UN Summit on NCDs

Wednesday 21 May at Palais des Nations, Room XXIII, 12.45-14.15

Addressing the NCD Challenge in the Post-2015 Development Agenda: The Lifecourse Approach

- Co-hosted with Governments of Malaysia and New Zealand and WHF
- Evidence on the early origins of NCDs and importance of life-course approach to health and NCDs in the post-2015 agenda
- Promote new NCDA policy brief – with NCD Child, DOHaD, and PMNCH

More information on NCD Alliance Events at 67th WHA:

<http://www.ncdalliance.org/67th-world-health-assembly-may-2014>

NCD-Related Side Events

Other key NCD-related side events include:

- Monday 19: UNICEF and NCD Child
Children, Youth and NCDs
- Monday 19: UK Government and Alzheimer's Disease International
Side event on dementia
- Tuesday 20: International Diabetes Federation
Diabetes: Access to Affordable & Essential Medicines for All
- Tuesday 20: Delegation of Samoa and WHO Secretariat
Health and NCDs: Share progress & build partnership during 3rd Intl. Conference on SIDS
- Tuesday 20: UNSCN and World Bank supported by the 1,000Days Partnership
Food and Nutrition Security in the Post-2015 Development Agenda
- Wednesday 21: UICC, WPCA and a consortium of missions
Strengthening Palliative care as a component of integrated treatment within the continuum of care
- Thursday 22: WHO Technical Briefing
Goals and Targets for Health in the post-2015 development agenda

A full list of NCD-related side events and further details can be found at:

<http://ncdalliance.org/67th-world-health-assembly-may-2014>

Six UHC-specific side-events:

- Monday 19: Government of South Africa
Launch of BRICS UHC Monitoring and Evaluation Tool
- Tuesday 20: WHO and World Bank
Civil Society Briefing on UHC Global Monitoring Framework
- Tuesday 20: Global Health Council and Action for Global Health
Accountability under Universal Health Coverage: Determining what role civil society must play
- Tuesday 20: Government of Canada
Reaching the Underserved: Eliminating Discrimination under Universal Health Care
- Wednesday 21: Various Governments and CSOs
Improving Safe Emergency and Essential Surgical Care and Anaesthesia as a component of Universal Health Coverage
- Friday 23: WHO Technical Briefing
Universal Health Coverage Starts at the Grassroots: Are Community Health Workers Cost-effective?

Q&A



Global NCD Framework

UN NCD Review 2014



2014 UN NCD Review Overview

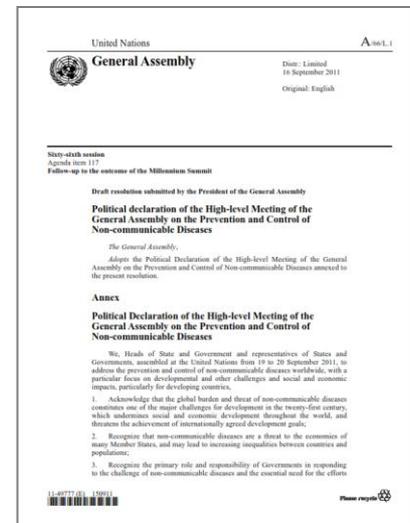
What is the UN NCD Review and Assessment?

- **Mandated** by the Political Declaration
- **Follow up to the High-level Meeting:** First time all governments will return to UN HQ to discuss NCDs



Why is it important?

- Opportunity to **take stock on progress**
- Chance to **make new commitments** to advance action
- **Increase political attention** and commit resources for NCDs
- Opportunity for civil society to engage at political level
- Critical pathway for **NCDs in post-2015**



UN Review 2014

Review modalities now finalised

Modalities Resolution:

http://www.un.org/en/ga/president/68/pdf/letters/552014Informal_Consultations_on_n-on-communicable_diseases-5May2014.pdf

- **Date:** 10-11 July 2014, at UN HQ in New York
- **Theme:** *Taking stock of progress in implementing Political Declaration and scaling up of multistakeholder and **national** multisectoral responses NCDs, including in context of **post-2015 development agenda**.*
- **Participation:** High-level (political leaders, ministers of health)
- **CSO engagement:**
 - Interactive civil society hearing
 - Speaker in Plenary
 - Plenary session (ECOSOC only to participate, though all can observe)
 - Roundtables (all, pending approval)
- **Outcome:** A concise, action-oriented Outcome Document

UN Review 2014

Format of the Review

Thursday 10 July:

- **10-11 am:** Opening plenary meeting
- **11 am-1 pm and 3- 6 pm:** Plenary meeting (member state statements)

Friday 11 July:

- **10 am-1 pm:** Round table 1
- **3 - 5 pm:** Round table 2
- **5 – 6 pm:** Closing plenary

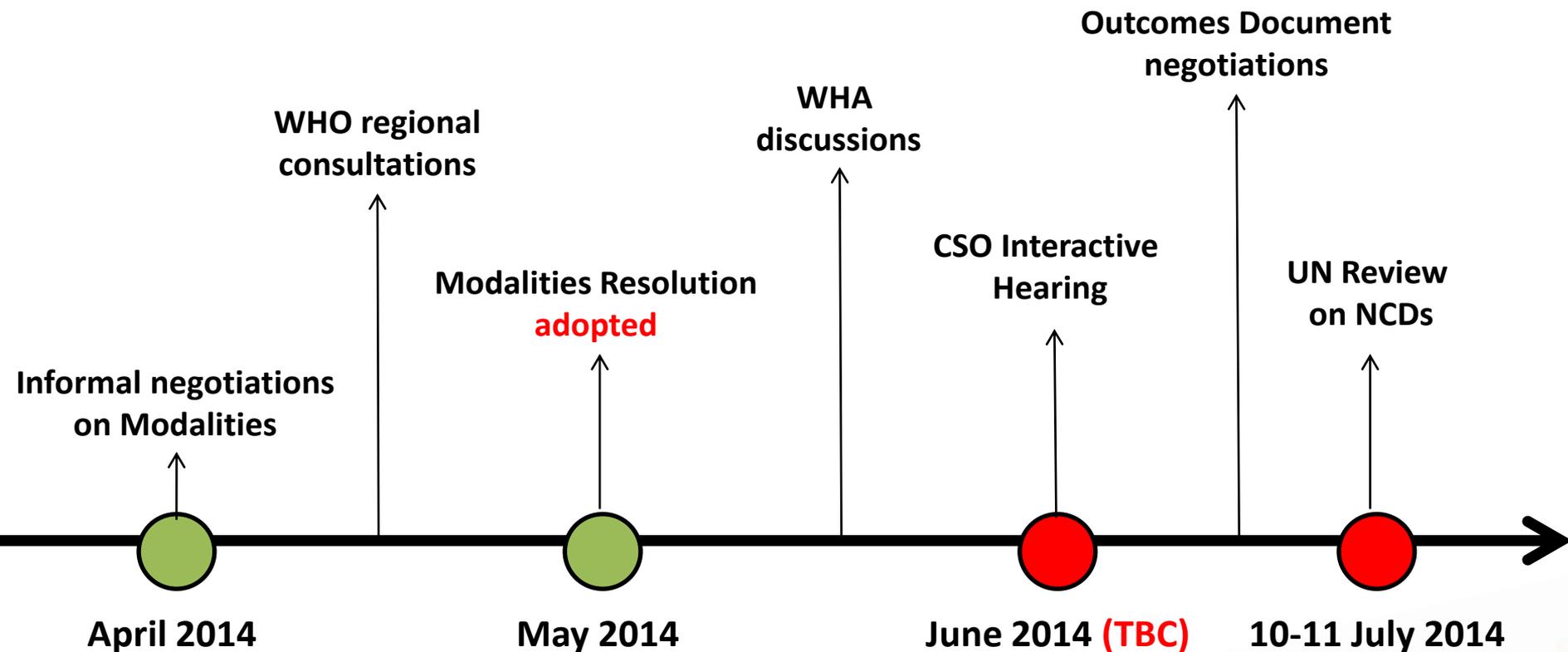


UN Review 2014

Roundtables

- **2 roundtables** due to budget concerns
- Post-2015 added to overall theme of the meeting
- **Themes:**
 - **Roundtable 1:** *Strengthening national and regional capacities, including health systems, effective multisectoral and whole-of-government responses for the prevention and control, including monitoring, of NCDs*
 - **Roundtable 2:** *Fostering and strengthening national, regional, and international partnerships and cooperation in support of efforts to address NCDs*
- **Participation:** Member States, observers, UN system, civil society and NGOs, academic institutions, and the private sector
- Co-chaired by a Ministerial or high-level official
- No pre-established list of speakers

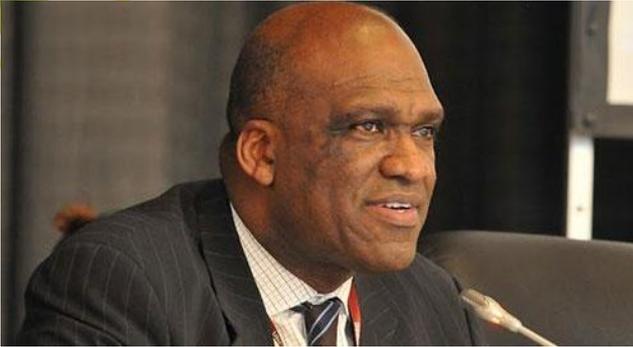
UN Review 2014 Preparatory Process



UN Review 2014

Interactive Hearing with civil society

- **Date:** TBD - end of May or early June
- **Purpose:** Provide input into the Review
- **Participation:**
 - NGOs in consultative status with ECOSOC
 - Civil society organizations
 - Private sector
 - Academic institutions
- **President of the General Assembly to organize:**
 - Agenda
 - Speakers
 - Process for participation



PGA now takes over
organizational
arrangements

PGA To Do List:

- Arrange interactive hearing with civil society
- Designate CSO speaker for Opening Plenary
- Create list of NGOs in ECOSOC consultative status to participate in plenary and RTs
- Create list of NGOs, civil society, academia, and private sector to participate RTs, pending Member State approval
- Appoint RT Co-Chairs
- Assign RT participants
- Produce Zero Draft of OD (*with support from WHO*)

UN Review 2014

NCD Alliance Activities

- **Preparations for CSO Interactive Hearing:**
 - Input to PGA as appropriate on preparations, webcasting, speakers
 - Communicate guidance on registration
 - Promote hearing among Member States
- **Preparations for UN Review, 10-11 July:**
 - Input to PGA, as appropriate
 - Template letter to governments
 - Updated FAQ document
 - Information on registration, logistics (if separate from hearing)
 - **Online consultation on priorities for OD**

UN Review 2014

Call to Action

- Call for **participation at the highest level possible** at the Review
- Collect **country intelligence**;
 - Who will attend?
 - What progress/gaps will your country be highlighting?
 - Ideal outcomes and commitments to accelerate progress?
- Request **NGO inclusion in government delegations**;
 - NCDA to send a template letter
- Engage in **NCDA online consultation** on priorities
- Plan your **participation**;
 - Are you attending? Organizing a side event? Let us know!
- **Spread the word to the public**
 - Increase visibility of the Review among public, policymakers

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