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Single Statement

NCD Alliance applauds the life course approach adopted by the Strategy and the 2022 WHO recommendations on early initiation of exclusive breastfeeding as well as reports published to highlight the continuing problem of the promotion of commercial breast-milk substitutes.

To further optimise the health trajectory of women, children and adolescents to ensure progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals, we recommend that Member States invest in, and accelerate implementation of, essential noncommunicable disease (NCD) prevention and care services across the continuum of care and across the life course in national Universal Health Coverage (UHC) health benefits packages.

Further, Member States should align development and global health priorities to achieve UHC, breaking down siloed approaches to funding and implementation of healthservices, including within women's, children's and adolescents' health.