

Noncommunicable diseases – including brain health - as a global health priority

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PUTTING NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES
ON THE GLOBAL AGENDA

About NCD Alliance

A Unique Global Civil Society Network

Leading the way to a world free of preventable NCDs

Founded in **2009** - by UICC, IDF, and WHF

A network of **2,000+** organisations in **170** countries

65+ national / regional NCD alliances

26 supporters – foundations, private sector and NGOs.



ADVOCACY



ACCOUNTABILITY



CAPACITY
DEVELOPMENT



KNOWLEDGE
EXCHANGE



Highest burden of NCDs on people of working age

Global burden of NCDs

In the EU:

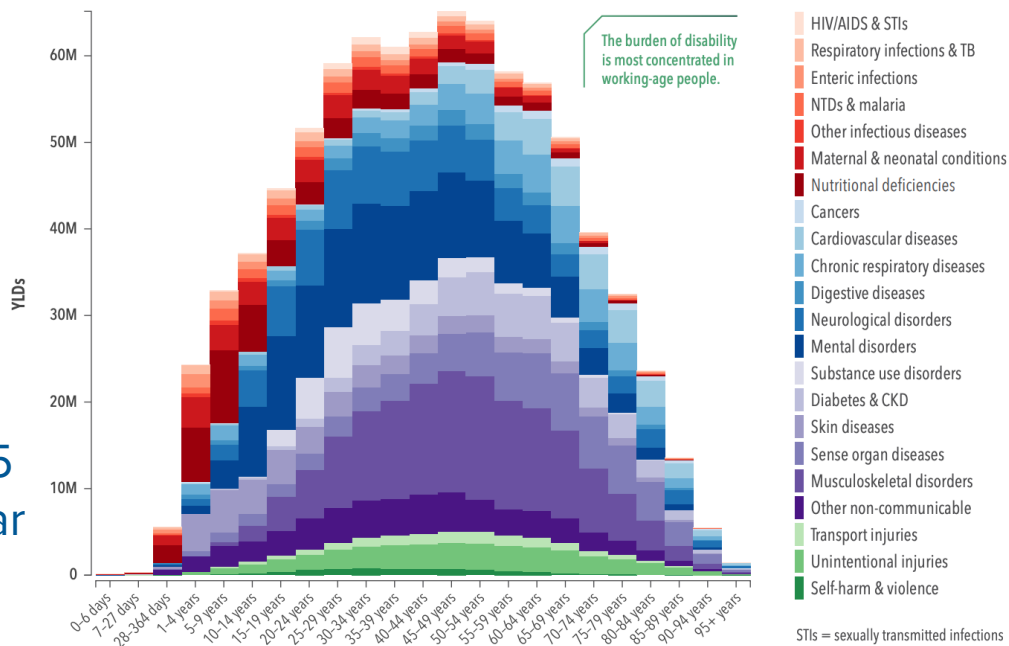
- * Over 80% of healthcare spending goes to NCD treatment

- * Over 500,000 deaths <65 years from NCDs every year

Source: IHME Data Visualisation Tool,
Global Burden of Disease, 2018

Years lived with disability (YLDs)*, 2017

Number of total YLDs, global, both sexes, by age group and cause, 2017



*YLDs represent time lived in less-than-ideal health. Nutritional deficiencies primarily include iron deficiency anemia; mental disorders are mainly composed of anxiety and depression; musculoskeletal disorders consist largely of back pain and neck pain; and sense organ diseases mostly include hearing loss and vision loss.



Political Declaration of 3rd UN High Level Meeting on NCDs

Signed by Heads of State and Government at UN General Assembly, Sept 2018

11. Recognize that mental disorders and other mental health conditions, as well as neurological disorders, contribute to the global burden of non-communicable diseases and that people living with mental disorders and other mental health conditions may face stigma and discrimination, being more susceptible to having their human rights violated and abused, and also have an increased risk of other non-communicable diseases and therefore higher rates of morbidity and mortality, and that depression alone affects 300 million people globally and is the leading cause of disability worldwide;

Follow-up requested by Ministers of Health to WHO, May 2019

(i) to provide the necessary technical support to Member States in integrating the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases and the promotion of mental health into primary health care services, and in improving noncommunicable disease surveillance;



What binds us: Common risks and solutions

DISEASES



Cardiovascular
Disease



Chronic Respiratory
Diseases



Cancer



Diabetes



Mental and
Neurological Conditions

RISK FACTORS



Unhealthy Diet



Tobacco Use



Harmful Use of
Alcohol



Physical Inactivity



Air Pollution

COMMON SOLUTIONS

Reduce MODIFIABLE RISK FACTORS



Expand coverage of ESSENTIAL
MEDICINES AND TECHNOLOGIES



Improve
SURVEILLANCE



Strengthen
HEALTH SYSTEMS



Increase
FUNDING



EU Spotlight on NCDs in Beating Cancer Plan: Maximise opportunities across common risk factors and comorbidities

Making cancer-related complications and comorbidities
an EU health priority

Joint statement – policy asks

- Make cancer-related complications and comorbidities a central part of all policy discussions about cancer care.
- Include tackling cancer-related complications and comorbidities as an individual pillar in the EU Cancer Plan.
- Leverage existing EU funding programmes for research on cancer to include cancer-related complications and comorbidities.
- Proactively coordinate prevention strategies and establishing fluid communication channels with policymakers, healthcare professionals across several related scientific disciplines and patients.
- Participate in multi-stakeholder dialogue to agree concrete next steps to address cancer-related complications and comorbidities.

Put prevention (of all NCDs) at the heart of the Plan

1. Tackle common causes
2. Put health at the centre of EU policies
3. Support early detection
4. Ensure governance is fit to deliver: *Set EU targets; include civil society and people living with NCDs in decision-making; avoid conflicts of interest*



THE INVESTMENT GAP

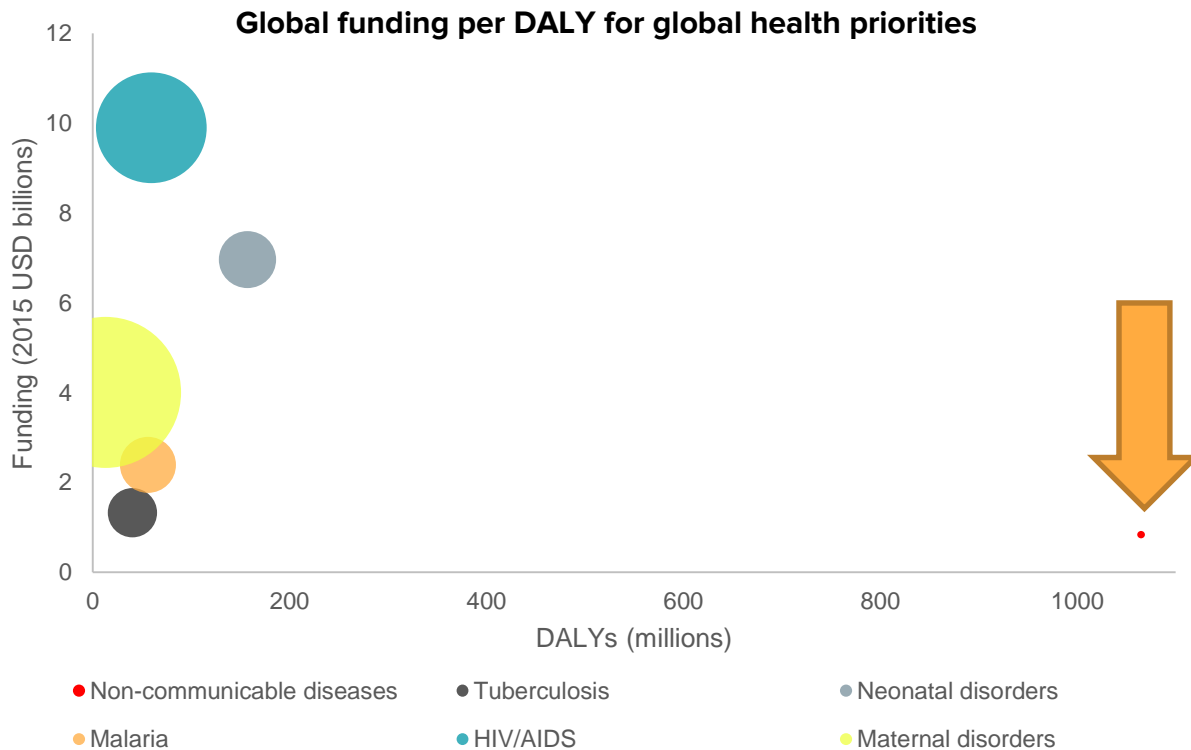


Improving health is a long-term strategic investment, yet often seen purely as an expense.

Despite the benefits of acting on NCDs outweighing the costs of inaction, the investment gap remains immense. Investment in reducing the NCD burden has been neglected for too long and demands significant, predictable, sustained and trackable financing at domestic, development and donor levels.



Global health funding does not match the burden of disease



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