

Tackling the Rising Burden of Non-Communicable Diseases

A World Bank Health Systems Flagship Program Deep Dive

February 16–18, 2022 | 7–10 am Washington D.C. (UHC – 05:00 hours)

This is a virtual global course facilitated on Zoom

Agenda

February 16 | The Patient Perspective

- 6:45am Check-in | Welcoming participants and checking on audio/video connectivity
- 7:00 Official Opening**
Opening remarks by [Juan Pablo Uribe](#), Director, HNP, World Bank
- 7:10 Why Prioritize Non-Communicable Diseases?**
Low- and medium-income countries are struggling with the rapidly rising burden of non-communicable diseases. The presentation identifies the challenges and outlines possible solutions.
Presentation by [Sameh El-Saharty](#), [Nedim Jaganjac](#), and [Miriam Schneidman](#), World Bank
- 7:40 Patient Journey**
Patient experiences can provide valuable insights on key challenges and help inform public policy.
Talk led by [Dr. Felicia Knaul](#), Director, Institute for Advanced Study of the Americas; and Professor, Miller School of Medicine, University of Miami
- 7:55 Understanding the Patient Journey**
A brief overview of the cascade analysis and patient pathway tools provide a basis for the following group work. *Presentation by [Nicole Fraser-Hurt](#), World Bank*
- 8:05 Group Work – Challenges, Risks, and Solutions along the Patient Journey**
Each group will work on a short patient narrative from a different socio-economic background and identify challenges and risks as well as discuss potential solutions.
Breakout groups are facilitated by a person living with NCD or a health specialist.
- 8:35 Short Break**
- 8:45 What were the Main Challenges along the Patient Journey?**
Groups report back on their findings and identify cross cutting challenges from different socio-economic contexts with variable health system capabilities.
Plenary discussion with the groups led by [Renzo Sotomayor](#), World Bank and [Maia Olsen](#), PIH
- 9:10 Impact of Covid-19 on Patients with NCDs and Resulting bright spots**
The pandemic has had a serious detrimental impact on patients suffering from NCDs with many countries introducing new ways of doing business. How have patients in your country suffering from NCDs been affected by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic? What innovations were used to address these challenges? *Presentation by [Bente Mikkelsen](#), Director, NCD Dept., WHO, followed by a panel discussion. Panelists:*
[Dr. Francois Uwinkindi](#), Manager of NCDs Division, Rwanda Biomedica Centre, Rwanda;
[Dr. Maria Graciela Abriata](#), Director of NCDs, Ministry of Health, Argentina;
[Dr. Matias Humberto Villatoro Reyes](#), Coordinator, NCD Program, El Salvador; and
[Dr. Tamar Gabunia](#), Deputy Minister, Ministry of Health, Georgia.
Moderators: [Amparo Elena Gordillo-Tobar](#) and [Nedim Jaganjac](#), World Bank.
- 9:55 Wrap-up and Next Steps**
- 10:00 End of Day 1**

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- 6:45am Check-in | Welcoming participants and checking on audio/video connectivity
- 7:00 Official Opening**
Recap of day 1 and focus of day 2 presented by [Miriam Schneidman, World Bank](#)
- 7:05 Reimagining Private Health Care**
Revised strategy offers opportunities for tackling NCDs through investments in quality primary health care services. The strategy places a strong emphasis on service delivery, public health, and multi-sectoral approaches. Moderated panel discussion reflecting on priority strategies and reforms needed to make PHC systems better equipped to address NCDs.
Discussants: [Huihui Wang, World Bank](#) and [Cherian Varghese, WHO](#)
Facilitator: [Mickey Chopra, World Bank](#)
- 7:20 Service Delivery Models for Non-Communicable Diseases**
Examples of organizational service delivery models for addressing NCDs using the PHC system as an entry point.
Presentation by [Zara Shubber, World Bank](#)
Facilitator: [Mickey Chopra, World Bank](#)
- 7:45 Group Work – Chronic Care Models for Non-Communicable Diseases**
Groups will analyze different integrated chronic care models for NCDs from different contexts; discuss their main features; how they compare to key dimensions of good practice; and whether they are ‘fit for purpose’. Breakout groups facilitated by health experts. Models to be discussed in the breakout groups include:
- China**
- [Dr. Dezhi Yu](#), former Director General, Anhui Provincial Health Commission, People’s Republic of China
 - [Shuo Zhang](#), Senior Health Specialist, World Bank
- Kenya**
- [Dr. Jemima Kamano](#), Lecturer, Moi University School of Medicine
 - [Ramana Gandham](#), Health Systems Expert
- Malawi**
- [Dr. Todd Ruderman](#), NCD Physician Specialist, PIH, Malawi
 - [Emily Wroe](#), Director of Programs for NCDI Poverty Network, Senior Advisor, PIH
- Malaysia**
- [Lim, Shiang Cheng](#), Country Technical Lead, Better Health Programme Malaysia
 - [Dr. Feisul Idzwan Mustapha](#), Deputy Director, NCD Section, Ministry of Health
 - [Angie Jackson-Morris](#), Senior Global Health Specialist, Center for Global Noncommunicable Diseases, RTI
- Poland**
- [Anna Koziel](#), Senior Health Specialist, World Bank
- Samoa**
- [Leausa Toleafoa Dr. Take Naseri](#), Director General of Health/Chief Executive Officer for the Ministry of Health, Samoa
 - [Nicole Fraser-Hurt](#), Consultant, World Bank
- Tamil Nadu**
- [Dr. S. Uma](#), IAS, Project Director, Tamil Nadu Health System Reform Program, Government of Tamil Nadu
 - [Rifat Hasan](#), Senior Health Specialist, World Bank
 - [Aarushi Bhatnagar](#), Economist, World Bank

Ukraine

- *Dr. Anna Fenchak, Deputy Head of the National Health Service, Ukraine*
- *Olena Doroshenko, Senior Economist, World Bank*

United Arab Emirates

- *Dr. Omniyat Mohammed Al Hajeri, Executive Director for the Community Health Sector at the Abu Dhabi Public Health Center*
- *Sameh El Saharty, Lead Health Policy Specialist, World Bank*

Uruguay

- *Dr. Luis Galicia, Director of Health Programs under the General Directorate of Health*
- *Daniela Romero, Senior Economist, World Bank*
- *Roberto Iunes, Senior Economist, World Bank*

8:55 **Short Break**

9:05 **How Adequate are the Different Service Delivery Models?**

Groups recap their discussions from the breakout groups to what extent models are dependent on the local context and identify common features emerging from the different models and approaches?

Facilitated by Mickey Chopra, Zara Shubber, Nicole Fraser-Hurt, and Alethea Wen Lan Cook, World Bank

9:55 **Wrap-up and Next Steps**

10:00 **End of Day 2**

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February 18 | Future Opportunities

- 6:45am Check-in | Welcoming participants and checking on audio/video connectivity
- 7:00 Official Opening**
Recap of day 2 and focus of day 3 presented by [Miriam Schneidman, World Bank](#)
- 7:05 Importance of Partnerships**
Keynote remarks by [Bente Mikkelsen, Director NCD Depart., WHO](#) and [Feng Zhao, HNP Practice Manager, World Bank](#)
- 7:15 High-Level Panel on Non-Communicable Diseases and COVID 19: Building Back Better**
Global experts provide unique perspectives and insights on the impact of COVID-19 and on future opportunities.
Panelists:
 - [Bente Mikkelsen](#), Director, NCD Dept., WHO
 - [Feng Zhao](#), HNP Practice Manager, World Bank
 - [Gene Bukhman](#), Co-Chair, Lancet NCDI Commission
 - [Sir George Alleyne](#), Director Emeritus, PAHO
 - [Meera Shekar](#), Global Lead, Nutrition, World Bank
 - [Nina Renshaw](#), Director of Policy and Advocacy, NCD Alliance
 - [Rachel Nugent](#), VP, Global NCDs, RTI
 - [Richard Sullivan](#), King's College, London*Session facilitated by [Amanda Glassman, Executive VP, CGD](#)*
- 8:15 Short Break**
- 8:25 Financing of Non-Communicable Diseases as part of UHC Benefit Packages**
Strengthening NCD service delivery through UHC benefit package: Tools and country experiences, and lessons learned
Presentation by [Temo Waqanivalu, WHO](#)
Session moderator: [Ajay Tandon, World Bank](#)
- 8:45 Group Work – Opportunities for Addressing Rising Burden of NCDs**
Groups discuss opportunities for addressing rising burden of NCDs in their countries and reflect on innovative projects, drawing on discussions from the previous two days.
Organizer: [Elisha Kipkemoi Ngetich, World Bank](#)
Facilitators: [Alethea Wen Lan Cook](#), [Bernard Olayo](#), [Chris Anderson](#), [Federica Secci](#), [Mano Haemmerli](#), [Marelize Gorgens](#), [Ramin Sayeed](#), [Zara Shubber, World Bank](#); [Chris Masila, Kenya](#)
- 9:35 What Opportunities and Challenges Do Countries Face?**
Groups collect common areas and unique features in their proposed projects. What are barriers and facilitators to supporting such projects and how can these be overcome? What opportunities exist for integrating NCD services in benefit packages? How to seize these opportunities?
Facilitated by [Andreas Seiter](#) and [Renzo Efren Sotomayor Noel, World Bank](#)
- 9:50 Concluding Remarks and Closing**
[Miriam Schneidman, World Bank, NCD Course Leader](#)
[Nedim Jaganjac, World Bank Health Systems Flagship Program Team Lead](#)
- 10:00 End of World Bank Health Systems Flagship Program Deep Dive**