

Carmen Network Meeting

Reviewing Progress on the Prevention and Control of NCDs in the Americas: Preparing for the 3rd UN High-level Meeting on NCDs

11-12 April 2017

Lord Elgin Hotel - Pearson Room, Ottawa, ON Canada

AGENDA

PURPOSE:

To discuss the regional progress, opportunities and challenges to advance policies and programs for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases¹ (NCDs), in preparation for the 3rd United Nations High-level Meeting on NCDs.

OBJECTIVES:

1. To review the country status, obstacles and needs with regards to meeting the regional and global commitments for NCD multi-sectoral plans, risk factor reduction, NCD management, and surveillance.
2. To showcase successful initiatives, tools and resources that can support countries to achieve these commitments.
3. To strengthen existing partnerships and a regional network on NCD prevention and control.
4. To review the critical timeline to the 2018 UN High-level Meeting on NCDs, and beyond.

EXPECTED RESULTS:

1. Assessment of progress, challenges and opportunities to advance policies, programs and services that address all four diseases and four risk factors for NCDs, as well as surveillance.
2. Greater awareness of tools and resources available for NCD multi-sectoral plans, risk factor reduction, NCD management, and surveillance.
3. Deepened relationships and interactions among national NCD program managers.

¹ Noncommunicable Diseases (NCDs) refer to four diseases (cardiovascular diseases, cancer, diabetes and chronic respiratory diseases) and their common risk factors (tobacco, harmful use of alcohol, unhealthy diet, physical inactivity).

AGENDA
Tuesday, 11 April 2017
9:00am – 5:00pm

- 9:00am **OPENING REMARKS**
Dr. Theresa Tam, Interim Chief Public Health Officer of Canada
Dr. Anselm Hennis, Director, Department of Noncommunicable Diseases and Mental Health, PAHO
Dr. Rachel Rodin, Scientific Director, WHO Collaborating Center on NCDs
- 9:15am Global progress on NCD commitments and preparing for the 2018 UN High-level Meeting on NCDs
Dr. Douglas Bettcher, Director, Prevention of Noncommunicable Diseases, WHO (via webex)
- 9:30am Questions and answers
- 9:45am Progress and status of NCD commitments in the region of the Americas
Dr. Anselm Hennis, PAHO
- 10:00am Questions and answers
- 10:15am Canada showcase: Healthy Eating, Healthy Living and Healthy Minds
Ms. Julie Greene, Public Health Agency of Canada and
Dr. Alfred Aziz, Health Canada
- 10:45am Active Break
- 11:15am Multi-sectoral policies and plans for NCDs and risk factors: perspectives from Latin America and the Caribbean
Moderator: Dr. Miguel Malo, PAHO

Panelists: Dr. Cutberto Espinosa Lopez (Mexico), Dr. Jorge Ferrándiz (Peru) and Ms. Wendy Emanuelson-Telgt (Suriname)
- 11:45am Discussion
- 12:30pm Lunch Break

- 1:30pm Presentation: Strategies to halt the rise of obesity
 Dr. Fabio da Silva Gomes, PAHO
- 1:45pm Country showcase: Experiences to tackle obesity
 Moderator: Dr. Fabio da Silva Gomes, PAHO

 *Panelists: Dr. Melanie Paccot (Chile), and Dr. Brian Armour (Trinidad
& Tobago)*
- 2:15pm Discussion
- 3:00pm Active Break
- 3:30pm Reducing harmful use of alcohol: Policy interventions and impact on NCDs
 Dr. Maristela Monteiro, PAHO
- 3:45pm NCD risk factor reduction: Country experiences to reduce risk factors
 Moderator: Dr. Adriana Blanco, PAHO

 Panelists: Dra. Ana Lorenzo (Uruguay) and Dr. Felicia Canete (Paraguay)
- 4:15pm Discussion
- 5:00pm Adjourn

Wednesday, 12 April 2017

9:00am-5:00pm

- 9:00am Introduction to day 2 of the meeting
- 9:05am Integrated management of NCDs in primary health care
Silvana Luciani, PAHO
- 9:20am *Panel: Implementation of the CVD risk reduction approach*
Moderator: Gloria Giraldo, PAHO
- Panelists: Dr. Marcy Calderón Martínez (Cuba), Dr. Melanie Paccot (Chile),
Dr. Arthur Phillips (Barbados) and Dr. Jose Fernando Valderrama (Colombia)*
- 10:00am Discussion
- 10:15am Active Break
- 10:30am WORK GROUPS: Breakout into subregional work groups to identify action plans
to reduce risk factors and improve health services for NCDs.
- *Canada, USA and non-Latin Caribbean- Pearson Room*
 - *Central America, Mexico and Latin Caribbean – Laurier Room*
 - *South America – Boardroom 200*
- 12:30pm Lunch
- 1:30pm Report back from work groups
- 2:00pm NCD and risk factor surveillance: Challenges with surveillance systems and
strategies to improve surveillance capacity
Dr. Roberta Caixeta, PAHO
- 2:15pm Country experiences to improve NCD surveillance systems
Moderator: Dr. Roberta Caixeta, PAHO
- Panelists: Dr. Kavita Singh (Guyana), Dr. Ursula Bauer (USA)*
- 3:15pm NCD surveillance and monitoring: Enhancing data use and communication with
visual analytics and information visualizations
Mr. Ramon Martinez, PAHO
- 3:30pm Discussion

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- 4:00pm Regional cooperation to improve the NCD situation in the Americas: Discussion on mechanisms and opportunities for North-South and South-South collaboration and resource mobilization.
- 4:30pm Concluding remarks
Dr. Rachel Rodin, Scientific Director, WHO Collaborating Center on NCDs
- 5:00pm Adjourn