

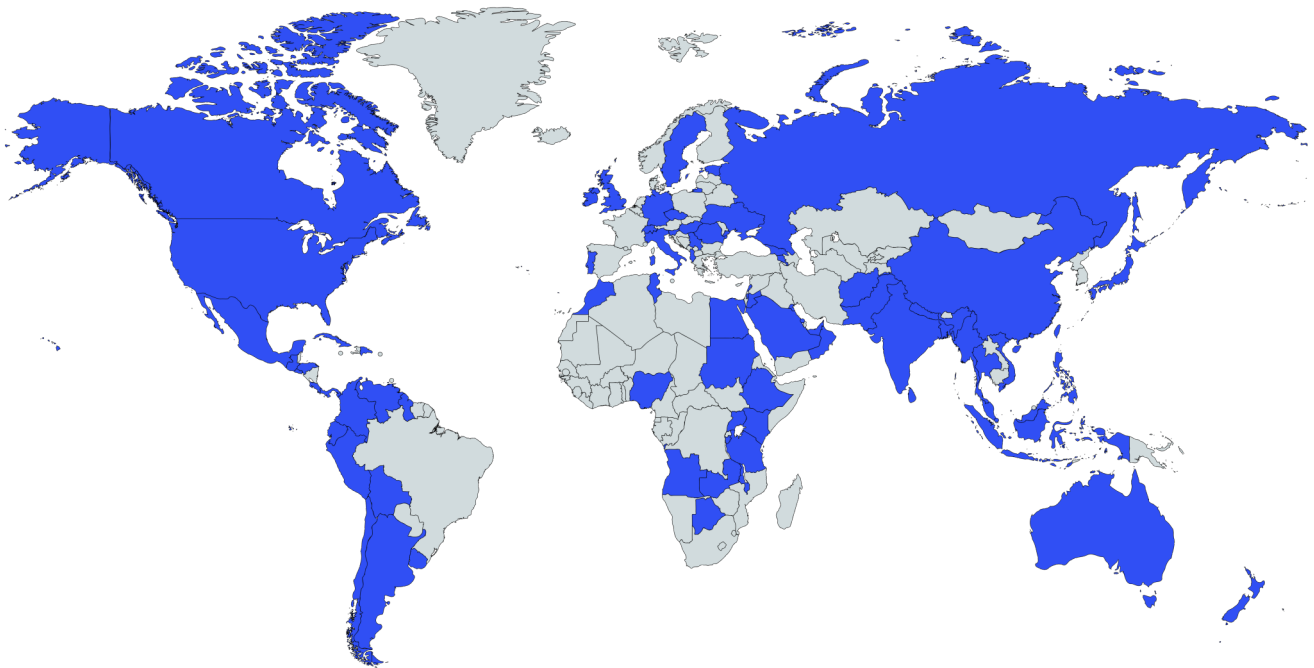


PRIORITIZING NCD PREVENTION & CONTROL IN CHILDREN, ADOLESCENTS & YOUNG ADULTS

Non-communicable diseases (NCDs)—including cardiovascular disease, cancer, chronic respiratory disease, diabetes, and mental and neurological conditions—are the leading cause of death and disease worldwide, claiming 41 million lives every year. **Two-thirds of premature deaths in adults are related to childhood conditions and behaviors associated with NCD risk factors common in young people.** Additionally, NCDs disproportionately affect people in low- and middle-income countries where more than 85% of global NCD deaths occur. A life-course approach—encompassing pre-conception, childhood, adolescence and adulthood—is needed to prevent future NCDs and manage existing NCDs in children, adolescents, and young adults.

In collaboration with diverse child health stakeholders, the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) engages in and supports evidence-based, age-appropriate policies and interventions targeting the prevention, management, and treatment of NCDs in young people. through four main areas: advocacy, capacity development, youth engagement, and knowledge to action.

NCD & TOBACCO CONTROL ADVOCACY CHAMPIONS



ADVOCACY

Champion child-friendly NCD policies and interventions through direct engagement with the U.S. government, World Health Organization, United Nations, & other key stakeholders

CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

Provide an environment to create and support country-level teams consisting of clinicians, civil society, and young leaders to collaboratively address national NCD agendas and policies affecting child health

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

Champion meaningful youth engagement with high-level stakeholders and country partners

KNOWLEDGE TO ACTION

Adapt interventions, tools, and resources to be country-specific and age-appropriate by tailoring evidence-based programs and best practices to the local context

IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

249

NCD and tobacco control champions since 2015

9

Global NCD and tobacco control advocacy workshops

32

NCD advocacy in action grants to national pediatric societies

15

Side events during the World Health Assembly, United Nations General Assembly, and UN High-Level Political Forum since 2014



Provided technical expertise, development of youth engagement efforts, implementation of advocacy workshop series, and administrative support as NCD Child's Secretariat from 2014 to 2019



Worked with US Government, United Nations, and partners to revise the draft 2030 Sustainable Development Goal target on NCDs, removing the lower age limit (30 years old) for measuring NCD premature mortality



Advocated for explicit language on children and adolescents and the life-course approach in the final 2018 UN Political Declaration on NCDs, despite the historical exclusion of young people in global NCD frameworks

ELEVATING IMPACT THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS

US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

NCD Child

Global Health Council

NCD & MNCH Roundtables

Taskforce on Women & NCDs

Every Woman Every Child

BluePrint Group

WHO GCM on the Prevention and Control of NCDs

NCD Alliance



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