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**A parallel event hosted by
The Permanent Missions of Ghana and Japan to the United Nations, and the NCD Alliance**
on the sidelines of the Multistakeholder Hearing for the
Fourth High-Level Meeting on the Prevention and Control of NCDs and Mental Health

Linking Leadership and Accountability through Inclusive Governance on NCDs

2 May 2025 | 13:15-14:45

Lunch at Vienna Cafe, Briefing in CR7 UNHQ

Background

The Fourth UN High-Level Meeting (HLM) on NCDs and Mental Health in 2025 is a critical moment for governments to commit to action that will reverse the course of the growing NCD burden on people, societies, and economies, while continuing to work toward the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 2030 target 3.4 of reducing premature mortality from NCDs by 30% and promoting mental health and well-being. Despite the growing NCD burden and the abundance of commitments and technical programs to support government action, the previous outcome documents from the HLMs on NCDs have fallen short of including formalized accountability mechanisms to ensure that political pledges are translated into tangible outcomes. Strengthening accountability mechanisms and frameworks within the next Political Declaration on NCDs can empower and encourage governments to lead on NCDs, foster increased transparency, and build trust among stakeholders. This event will examine how governments can take a more proactive role in driving NCD action, including leading on good governance and social participation to incorporate the perspectives of people with lived experience and safeguard policymaking from undue industry influence.

Objectives:

The NCD Alliance will hold this event to encourage greater leadership on NCD prevention and care going into and after the HLM by sharing examples of successful accountability frameworks in order to:

1. Enhance government leadership by providing examples of where government leadership resulted in coordinated and whole-of-government responses to NCDs,
2. Strengthen accountability by showcasing tools and mechanisms that can be used to ensure transparency on NCD progress,
3. Highlight the value of inclusive policymaking processes by including insights from people and communities impacted by NCDs to inform government strategies,
4. Encourage partnerships between governments, civil society, and communities to build trust between stakeholders.

Event Format

A panel discussion followed by audience Q&A. Lunch will be provided ahead of the event. Kindly note that food is not permitted within UN Conference rooms, so we ask that all food is consumed and disposed of before the event begins.

Registration is required [online here](#).

Event co-promotion and social media. The NCD Alliance will highlight the event on social media via @ncdalliance on Twitter/X following its conclusion. Photographs of participants will be used in NCDA communications – attendance at the event represents consent to be photographed.