

RESOLUTION

OF THE
WHO REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR SOUTH-EAST ASIA

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MONITORING PROGRESS AND THE ACCELERATION PLAN FOR NCDs, INCLUDING ORAL HEALTH AND INTEGRATED EYE CARE, IN THE SOUTH-EAST ASIA REGION

The Regional Committee,

Having considered the three strategic instruments named hereinafter:

- (a) Implementation Roadmap for the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases in South-East Asia 2022–2030;¹
- (b) Action Plan for oral health in South-East Asia 2022–2030; and
- (c) Action Plan for integrated people-centred eye care in South-East Asia 2022–2030,

And recognizing the high burden of morbidity and mortality due to cardiovascular diseases, the large number of untreated cases of dental caries and oral health conditions, and challenges in the provision of comprehensive eye care,

Noting that while progress has been made and the trends are in the right direction, acceleration is needed to achieve the global, regional and national goals,

Acknowledging the importance of country leadership, political commitment, multisectoral and multistakeholder actions, and the need for adapting the three plans into the national health/NCD/oral health/eye health plans in the Member States, as appropriate to the country context, with the necessary allocations for resources, and

¹ Action plan for the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases in South-East Asia, 2013–2020: extended to 2030. New Delhi: World Health Organization, Regional Office for South-East Asia, 2022. <https://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/359075> - accessed 16 September 2022. (*The Regional Implementation Roadmap is the instrument to accelerate progress towards achieving the targets of the Action plan for the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases in South-East Asia, 2013–2020: extended to 2030*).

Emphasizing the crucial role of data and information systems at all levels to promote accountability,

1. ENDORSES the three strategic instruments:

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2. URGES Member States to:

- (a) consider adopting and implementing, in accordance with their national priorities and contexts, the three strategic instruments including multisectoral actions related thereto, in order to accelerate the progress in NCD prevention and control, and to speed up actions for oral health and eye health in primary health care and within the ambit of universal health coverage;
- (b) strengthen policy and legislative frameworks for this purpose, as well as advance primary health care, universal health coverage, human resources, accountability and quality of national health information systems; and

3. REQUESTS the Regional Director:

- (a) To provide adequate technical support to Member States in the implementation of the three strategic instruments including strengthening of the related monitoring and evaluation systems;
- (b) To continue to collaborate with the Specialized Agencies of the United Nations, Funds and Programmes related thereto, and other relevant partners and stakeholders, in order to advocate and leverage assistance for aligned and effective implementation of the three Strategic instruments in Member States; and
- (c) To report on the progress and achievements of the three strategic instruments to the Regional Committee every two years until 2030.

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