

## “Forum of Key Stakeholders on NCDs: Advancing the NCD Agenda in the Caribbean”

Hilton Barbados Resort, Needham’s Point, Bridgetown, Barbados

8-9 June 2015

### AGENDA

#### Monday, 8 June 2015

8.00-8.30 am	<b>Registration</b>
8.30-9.15 am	<p><b>Opening Ceremony - Welcoming remarks</b> <i>Dr. Godfrey Xuereb, PAHO/WHO Representative for Barbados and Eastern Caribbean Countries – Opening Remarks (5 min)</i></p> <p><i>Dr. Carissa Etienne, Director of the Pan American Health Organization – Welcome Remarks (10 min)</i></p> <p><b>Technical remarks - Impact of NCDs in the Caribbean (15 min)</b> <i>Dr. Anselm Hennis, Director, Department of Noncommunicable Diseases and Mental Health, PAHO/WHO</i></p> <p><b>Security Briefing – Hilton Hotel</b></p>
9.15-9.35 am	<b>Introduction of participants (20 min)</b>
9.35-10.30 am	<p><b>PANEL 1: NCDs IN THE CARIBBEAN - CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES</b> <i>Chair: Dr. Bernadette Theodore-Gandi, PAHO/WHO Representative Trinidad and Tobago</i></p> <p><b>Assessing progress in the Caribbean since the Port of Spain Declaration (15 min)</b> <i>Dr. Nigel Unwin, Chair of Population Health Sciences, Chronic Disease Research Centre, Tropical Medicine Research Institute, University of the West Indies</i></p> <p><b>Overview of the NCD global commitments (10 min)</b> <i>Dr. Bente Mikkelsen, Senior Advisor, Global Coordination Mechanism Secretariat for NCDs, World Health Organization</i></p> <p><b>Challenges and goals for 2025: achieving the NCD targets in the Caribbean (15 min)</b> <i>Dr. Anselm Hennis, Director, Department of Noncommunicable Diseases and Mental Health, PAHO/WHO</i></p> <p><b>Decisive action on prevention – Suriname sets a regulatory framework for effectively reducing tobacco use and increasing alcohol taxes (15 min)</b> <i>Dr. Marthelise Eersel on behalf of the Hon. Dr. Michel Blokland, Minister of Health, Suriname</i></p>

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10.30-10.50 am	<b>Discussion</b> (20 min)
10.50-11.05 am	<b>Coffee Break</b> (15 min)
11.05 am-12.05 pm	<p><b>PANEL 2: HEALTH SYSTEMS' RESPONSE TO NCDs TO ADVANCE TOWARDS UNIVERSAL ACCESS TO HEALTH AND UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE</b>  <i>Chair: Dr. James Hospedales, Executive Director, CARPHA</i></p> <p><b>Universal access to health and universal health coverage: an opportunity to strengthen health systems' response to NCDs</b> (20 min)  <i>Dr. James Fitzgerald, Director, Department of Health Systems and Services, PAHO/WHO</i></p> <p><b>Costs and financing of NCDs and risk factors in the Caribbean</b> (20 min)  <i>Dr. Karl Theodore, Director, Centre for Health Economics, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of the West Indies</i></p> <p><b>Jamaica: Country experience in advancing universal health coverage</b> (15 min)  <i>Dr. Marion Bullock DuCasse, Chief Medical Officer, Jamaica</i></p>
12.05-12.25 pm	<b>Discussion</b> (20 min)
12.25-1.25 pm	<b>Working groups</b> (1 hour)
1.25-2.25 pm	<b>Lunch</b> (1 hour)
2.25-3.45 pm	<b>Plenary</b> (1h 20min)
3.45-4.00 pm	<b>Coffee break</b> (15 min)
4.00-5.20 pm	<p><b>PANEL 3: KEEPING NCDs AS A POLITICAL PRIORITY IN THE CARIBBEAN</b>  <i>Chair: Dr. Guillermo Troya, PAHO/WHO Representative Suriname</i></p> <p><b>Keeping NCDs as a political priority in the Caribbean</b> (20 min)  <i>Dr. Andy Knight, Director and Professor, Institute of International Relations, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago</i></p> <p><b>Comments: Countering private sector challenges and limited resources</b> (25 min)  – <i>Dr. Adriana Blanco, Tobacco Control Regional Advisor, PAHO/WHO</i>  – <i>Dr. Maristela Monteiro, Alcohol Regional Advisor, PAHO/WHO</i>  – <i>Dr. James Fitzgerald, Director, Department of Health Systems and Services, PAHO/WHO</i></p> <p><b>Panel: Advancing political priorities on NCDs</b> (25 min)  – <i>Dr. Carissa Etienne, Director, PAHO/WHO</i>  – <i>Dr. Rudolph Cummings, Programme Manager, Health Sector Development, CARICOM</i>  – <i>Sir Trevor Hassell, President, Healthy Caribbean Coalition</i>  – <i>Dr. James St Catherine, HIV/AIDS Project Unit Head, Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS)</i></p>

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5.20-6.00 pm	<b>Discussion</b>
6.00-6.30 pm	<b>Overall summary and recommendations (20 min)</b> <i>Sir George Alleyne, Director Emeritus of PAHO/WHO</i>  <b>Closure of the Meeting (10 min)</b> <i>Dr. Carissa Etienne, Director, PAHO/WHO</i>

## Tuesday, 9 June 2015

8.30-9.00 am	<p><b>Welcome</b>  <i>Dr. Carissa Etienne, Director of the Pan American Health Organization (10 min)</i></p> <p><i>Dr. The Hon. Denis Lowe, Acting Minister of Health, Barbados – Feature Address (10 min)</i></p> <p><b>Summary of day 1 deliberations (10 min)</b>  <i>Dr. Anselm Hennis, Director, Department of Noncommunicable Diseases and Mental Health, PAHO/WHO</i></p>
9.00-10.00 am	<p><b>Session 1: NCD prevention: How to implement successful cost effective interventions</b>  <i>Chair: Dr. Godfrey Xuereb, PAHO/WHO Representative Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean Countries</i></p> <p>– <i>Panel of Discussants</i></p>
10.00-10.30 am	<b>Questions and answers (30 min)</b>
10.30-10.50 am	<b>Coffee Break (20 min)</b>
10.50-11.50 am	<p><b>Session 2: Universal access to health and universal health coverage: Health systems response to NCDs</b>  <i>Chair: Dr. Gerarda Eijkemans, PAHO/WHO Representative Bahamas</i></p> <p><b>Technical remarks</b>  <i>Dr. James Fitzgerald, Director, Department of Health Systems and Services, PAHO/WHO</i></p> <p>– <i>Panel of Discussants</i></p>
11.50 am-12.30 pm	<b>Questions and answers (40 min)</b>
12.30-1.30 pm	<b>Lunch (1 hour)</b>
1.30-2.30 pm	<p><b>Session 3: Keeping NCDs as a political priority in the Caribbean</b>  <i>Chair: Dr. William Adu-Krow, PAHO/WHO Representative Guyana</i></p> <p><b>Technical remarks</b>  <i>Sir George Alleyne, Director Emeritus of the Pan American Health Organization</i></p> <p>– <i>Panel of Discussants</i></p>
2.30-3.00 pm	<b>Questions and answers (30 min)</b>
3.00-3.30 pm	<b>Closing ceremony</b>

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