CARMEN
Policy
Observatory
on NCD









Outline

- What is the CARMEN NCD Observatory?
- What are the key objectives?
- What are the five functions?
- What are the activity highlights?
- What are the opportunities?

What is the CARMEN NCD Observatory?

- A joint initiative between PAHO and the WHO
 Collaborating Center on Noncommunicable Disease
 (NCD) Policy since 2004, located within the Public
 Health Agency of Canada (PHAC)
- A platform for the network of American countries and institutions engaged in the systematic analysis and monitoring of noncommunicable disease (NCD) policies
- A support to the implementation of the Policy and Advocacy's line of action of the Regional Strategy for Chronic Diseases Prevention and Control

What are the Key Objectives?

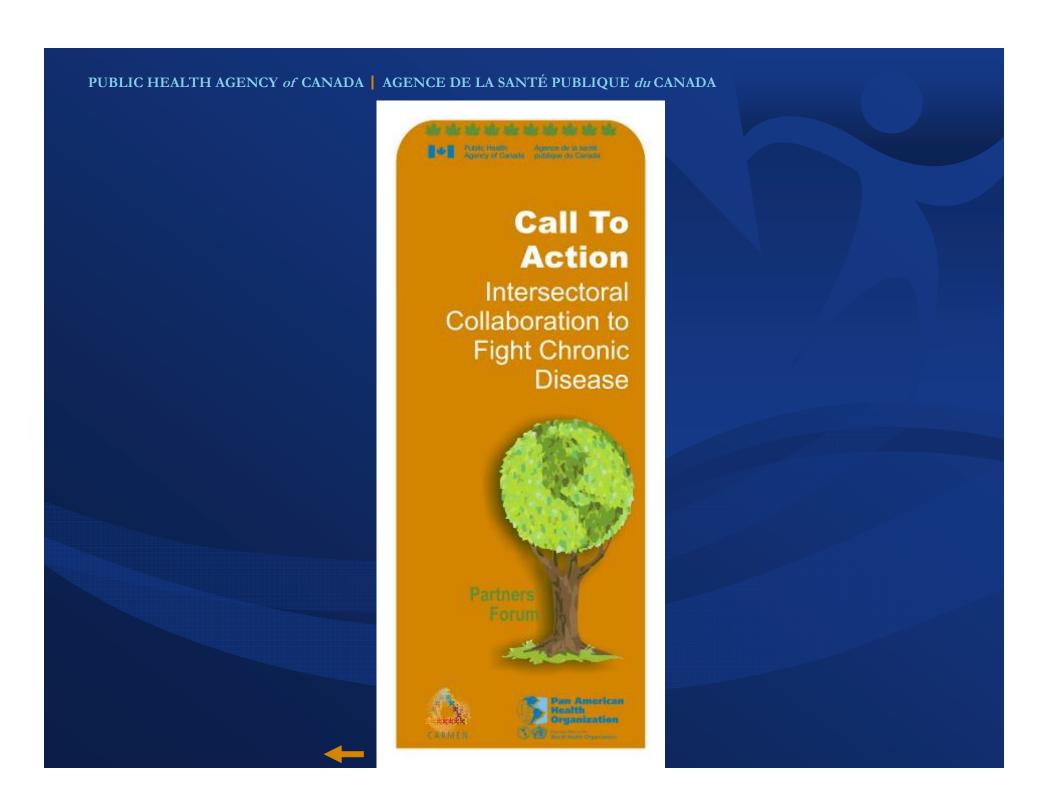
- Provide a knowledge-base and analytical support to policy-makers in the Americas and serve as a dissemination point
- Support the development of effective integrated NCD prevention policies
- Assess the effectiveness of policy interventions for chronic disease
- Strengthen multi-sectoral collaboration in the adoption of complementary policies that maximize NCD prevention
- Place NCD prevention higher on the agenda of policy-makers

What are the Five Functions?

- 1. Monitoring CNCD prevention and control policy and strategies
- 2. Participating in collaborative *research* to better understand the processes of policy development and implementation to *develop integrated* approaches in CNCD prevention and control
- 3. Providing *training and capacity building* in CNCD prevention policies
- 4. Coordinating/documenting international policy dialogue related to CNCD's
- 5. Enhancing *partnerships* in CNCD prevention and control

Policy Monitoring

- Developing a M&E framework (incl. performance measures) to ensure readiness for the evaluation strategy of the impact of document the PAHO's Partners Forum for Prevention and Control of CNDC's in the Americas →
- Monitoring health initiatives through policy tools (e.g. Guide to Document Health Promotion Initiatives in the Americas) →
- Expanding surveillance analysis to include a variety of data sources and indicators (e.g. Index on effectiveness of policy action)



PAHO Guide for Documenting Health Promotion Initiatives

Health Promotion Effectiveness Working Group

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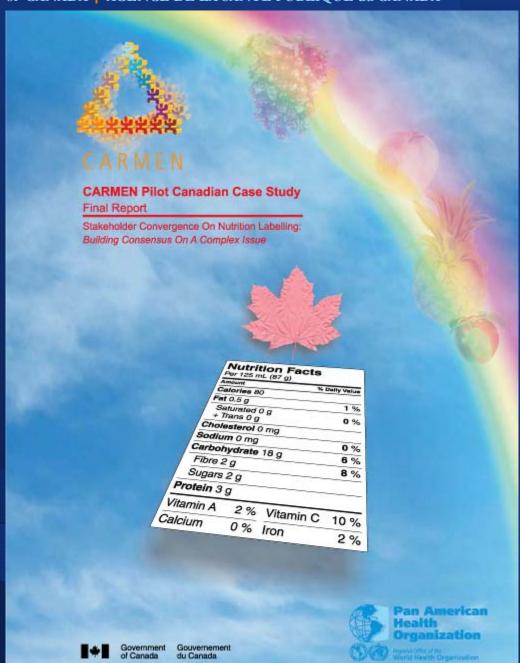




Policy Research

- Analyzing chronic disease policy development and implementation related to diet and physical activity (e.g. CARMEN Report on nutrition labeling; Mapping of surveillance, prevention and control initiatives for CNCD in Brazil, 1998-1985; Formulation of Policy o Fortify What Flour with Folic Acid in Costa-Rica; Cross Case Comparison (Canada, Brazil, Costa Rica); Costa Rica; and Implementation of nutrition labelling case study in Canada) →
- Documenting inter-sectoral approaches in CNCD (e.g. ActNowBC) →
- Participating in the development of evidence to further the economic and social case for investment in CNCD's

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Policy Training/ Capacity Building

- Training in collaboration with academic institutions on policy analysis and decisionmaking to adopt feasible, cost-effective policies and strategies for the prevention and control of CNCD
- Building capacity in global health diplomacy for CNCD's
- Building capacity to further social and economic returns in CNCD prevention and control

Policy Dialogue

- Caribbean CNCD Summit implementation
- Canada-Chile policy dialogue ->
- Technical and Strategic consultation in preparation/evaluation of the Partners Forum on CNCD



Caribbean CNCD Summit implementation



Partnerships

- Knowledge exchange to improve the use of an integrated approach to CNCD prevention and control
- Enhance in collaboration with academic institutions the capacity of decision-makers to influence the policy process related to CNCD's
- Provide technical support in the development of the Global Network in CNCD and Partners
 Forum —

 Technical and Strategic consultation in preparation/evaluation of the Partners Forum on CNCD



Any Suggestions On?

- Tools to enhance the monitoring of policy and strategies
- Subject for collaborative research to better understand the processes of policy development and implementation
- Gaps in training and capacity building in CNCD prevention policies
- Ideas future policy dialogue related to CNCD's in the Americas country
- Steps to increase partnerships in CNCD prevention and control

¡Muchas Gracias! Obrigada!

Thank you!

Merci!



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