National Chronic Non-Communicable Disease Commission

“Our Health Is The Spice Of Our Lives”

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Chair
Renamed/Reconstituted in June 2010

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  • Advise, Review, Facilitate, Assist, Monitor and Facilitate
  • No statutory terms of service, budget, staff, or venue

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• Represented Sectors/Organizations (17)

Tertiary Institutions
St. George’s University
UWI Open Campus-Grenada
T.A. Marryshow Community College

Other Ministries
Ministry of Education –
   Health and Family Life Programme
   Drug Control Secretariat
Ministry of Agriculture
Government Information Service

Statutory Organizations
Grenada Food and Nutrition Council

Faith-Based Organizations
Grenada Conference of Churches
Grenada Conference of Seventh Day Adventists

Civil Society Organizations
Inter-Agency Group of Development Organizations
Grenada National Organization for Women

Sports Organizations
Grenada Olympic Association

Trade Unions
Grenada Technical and Allied Workers Union /TUC

Commercial Sector
Chamber of Industry and Commerce
(Grenada Cancer Society)

Professional Associations
Grenada Nurses Association
Private Medical Practitioner

• Ex-Officio Members

1. Chief Medical Officer
2. Director – PHC
   (Grenada Medical Association)
3. Medical Officer of Health- Epi
4. Chief Nursing officer
5. Chief Pharmacist
6. Chief Health Planner
Terms of Reference

- Advise the Minister on policies and legislation:
  - Food security availability, affordability and importation
  - Environmental and workplace wellness issues
  - Measures to increase participation in physical activity
  - Tobacco and alcohol control
  - Scientific and culturally specific strategies to promote healthy lifestyles

- Review regional strategic CNCD plans, resolutions and policies and make recommendations for implementation

- Facilitate effective involvement of relevant sectors

- Assist in the mobilization of resources to implement

- Monitor regional and int’l trends for recommendations

- Facilitate the commissioning of audits and evaluation
Bi-Annual Reports to the Minister

Selected Examples of Recommendations

- Integrating all of the extant reports into an annual Health Status Report
  - National Health Status Steering Committee

- Policy/Legislative Initiatives to Reduce CNCD Risks
  - Tobacco
  - Alcohol
  - Automobile emissions
  - Environmental engineering to promote exercise spaces
  - Regulating unhealthy foods

- Ways of Grenadianizing PAHO’s Strategy and Plan of Action for the Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Disease

- A Senior Caribbean Wellness Taskforce

- A Regional Meeting of CNCD Commissions

- Refinement of Objectives (more evaluable) of the National CNCD Policy and Multisectoral Action Plan
Selected Accomplishments

• Direct Actions
  • Held public CNCD consultations
  • Sponsored twice weekly radio programs over several months
  • Made and distributed brochures
  • Sponsored Caribbean Wellness Week activities
Ongoing challenges with utilization, effectiveness and sustainability

St. George’s University has been the primary sponsor:

- Staff
- Venues
- Administrative support