

Capacity Building

Group 2

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- ▶ Empowering the organization
 - ▶ Building on resources
 - ▶ Succession planning for continuity
 - ▶ Pooling of resources
 - ▶ Creating linkages
 - ▶ Harnessing strengths for a common goal
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Group Definition

- ▶ Harnessing strengths, working on weaknesses and creating linkages among stakeholders to have a positive impact on the wider society

What is needed

1. Increasing the awareness of political directorate NCD prevention and control in order for them to address the issue in a more timely fashion
 2. Civil society must serve as the vehicle for such action by beefing up their technical and administrative competencies
 3. Health information system training
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Key Regional Needs 25 – 25

- ▶ Where we are now and establishment of a baseline using the Port of Spain Declaration and the UNHLM
 - ▶ Training in surveillance, monitoring and evaluation and making the results actionable to civil society
 - ▶ Academia must continue to play a part in making information translatable and actionable to civil society
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Tobacco

- ▶ Learn from regional partners who are more advanced in tobacco prevention and control legislation, taxation etc
 - ▶ Capacity building in tobacco should include enhancing the knowledge base of the FCTC and its articles
 - ▶ NGO assistance in administrative function and legal competencies
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Obesity

- ▶ Public education on major contributing factors to this scourge – Training in the use of all available media
 - A communication mechanism to channel public health information to manufacturers and distributors to influence healthy choices
- ▶ Demand – public education on the dangers of obesity especially in schools e.g. the school feeding programmes and the development of national guidelines– civil society can play a part

Alcohol

- ▶ Engage Ministry of Tourism to take rum out of the fun and the sun
 - ▶ Enactment, enhancement and enforcement of new and old legislation – e.g. breathalyzer testing
 - ▶ Healthy lifestyles compulsory in school curriculum
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Physical activity and exercise

- ▶ Compulsory physical education in primary and secondary schools by training a cohort of PE teachers
 - ▶ Healthy lifestyles compulsory in school curriculum
 - ▶ Engage schools in healthy lifestyles programmes
 - ▶ Wellness programmes involving private enterprise and insurance companies
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Thank you

