

## The Healthy Caribbean Coalition 6 Key Asks of CARICOM Heads of Government and State

Leading up to 3rd UN High Level Meeting on NCDs Sept 27.18

## **01**►

Commit to provide strong global, regional and national leadership on NCD prevention and control and further commit to attend the **3rd UN High-Level Meeting on NCDs** on September 27th, 2018.



## 02 >

Include a statement of commitment to attend the 3rd UN High-Level Meeting on NCDs in the official Communiqué from the Thirty-Ninth Regular Meeting of the Conference of Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM), held July 4-6 2018.

## 03 >

Support HCC's regionally endorsed NCD advocacy priorities for inclusion in the 3rd High-Level Meeting on NCDs outcome document.



## 04 >

Support one or more CARICOM Heads of Government or State to have a lead role in at least one of the multi-stakeholder panels at the 3rd High-Level Meeting on NCDs.

# **05**►

Support the hosting of an event on the margins of the **3rd High-Level Meeting on NCDs** led by CARICOM Heads of Government as was done in 2011 at the 1st UN HLM on NCDs.

## **06 >**

Endorse the inclusion of a representative from a Civil Society Organisation (CSO) on country delegations to the **3rd UN High-Level Meeting on NCDs** in recognition that the NCD epidemic requires a

# HCC Advocacy Priorities for the 3rd UN High Level Meeting on NCDs

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#### Put People First

Those most affected by NCDs need to be at the centre of decision making around NCD policy and programming.

#### Boost Financing for NCD prevention and control

NCDs are consuming national health budgets at astounding rates which cannot be sustained by our fragile economies.

#### Step up action on childhood obesity

Childhood obesity is an urgent regional and global issue which threatens to undermine the health of entire generations and there are clear global, regional and national recommendations for action.

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## Adopt Smart Fiscal Policies that Promote Health

i.e. taxation on unhealthy commodities namely tobacco, alcohol and SSBs, which are WHO recommended Best Buys.



## Save lives through equitable access to NCD treatment and UHC

Access to high quality health care is a basic human right.



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### Improve accountability for progress, results and resources

Including investment in national health surveillance systems such as national NCD registries.

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#### Strengthen post disaster health response systems to provide NCD treatment and care in disaster settings

(i.e. hurricanes and flash floods) recognizing the unique vulnerabilities of SIDS in the context of climate change.

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#### Eradicate Cervical Cancer

Through the provision of the HPV vaccine throughout the region.



#### Make the Caribbean a Smoke Free Zone

Through full compliance with Articles of the FCTC to which most of the countries are signatories.



