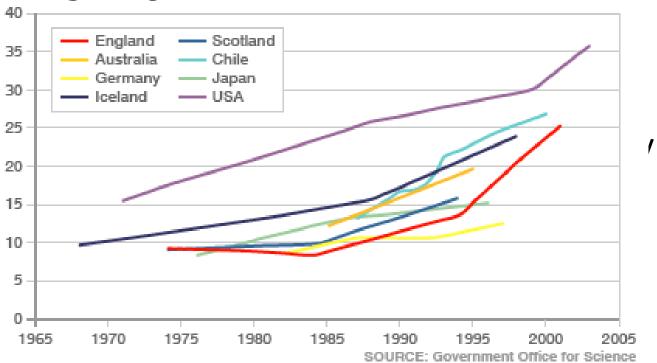
Barbados - Childhood Obesity Prevention Program

(B-CHOPP)

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INCREASING NUMBER OF OVERWEIGHT CHILDREN AROUND THE WORLD

Percentage overweight



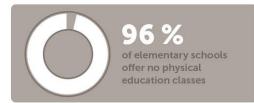
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CHILDHOOD OBESITY BY THE NUMBERS

Many U.S. kids are overweight or obese, and most don't exercise.









Source: CDC



WHO Global School Health Survey (GSHS) 2012

(26 schools in Barbados)



31.5% overweight

Obese

14.4%



low levels of physical activity

70 %

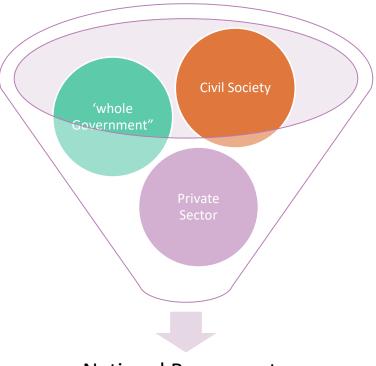


65.3%
Sedentary
lifestyle
after school

Girls were at a slightly higher rate of overweight and obesity when compared to boys.







National Response to Childhood Obesity

National Plan Of Action for Childhood Obesity Prevention And Control

National NCD Commission, National Nutrition Centre, MOE, MOH Healthy Caribbean Coalition, health Professionals working in primary health care. Support of PAHO/WHO

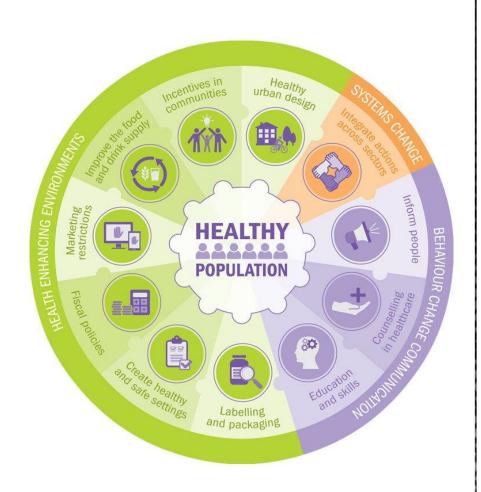


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The draft Plan of Action was developed at a threeday workshop in February 2015, using the methodology of the WHO **Obesity Prevention Toolkit** which relied on available data on diet, physical activity and obesity in adolescents to identify and prioritize the main actions to be addressed in the Plan.

National Plan of
Action for
Childhood
Obesity
Prevention and
Control

A broader and more systematic approach is required using 'whole of government', civil society and the private sector to truly represent a national response to the epidemic. Children, their parents and teachers must also be involved in any action plan to fully realize the objective of reducing the prevalence of childhood obesity by 5% by 2019.



For each stakeholder the institutional interest is described, how their mission is being affected by the problem of childhood obesity, their capacity, political influence and their motivation to change towards practices in favour of childhood obesity prevention.

Stakeholder Analysis The possible actions to address stakeholders' interests are included in the different strategies and activities of this action plan.

Stakeholder Analysis

Governmental	Civil Society and Private Sector				
Ministry of Health	PAHO/WHO				
Ministry of Education	UN Agencies				
Ministry of Agriculture	Private Sector				
Ministry of Affairs and Sports	Academia (UWI)				
Town Planning	Private sector				
Ministry of Commerce					

Stakeholders

- To reverse the upward trends in obesity by 2019
- (Target: to reverse the upward trends in obesity by 5% in 2019)

Aim/Goal

- To improve increase exclusive breastfeeding at 6 months by 20% by 2019;
- To reduce prevalence of low physical activity in adolescents by 30%;
- To develop and implement policies and regulations to reduce the impact on children of marketing of foods and non- alcoholic beverages high in saturated fats, trans fatty acids, free sugars or salt; and

Objectives

 To have at least 70 schools designated Health Promoting Schools by 2019

FIVE (5) Strategic Actions

- Strengthening Coordination and Management of Obesity Prevention
- Strengthen Breastfeeding Practices
- Promoting Physical Activity
- Develop and Implement Dietary Regulatory and Fiscal Policies
- Implement Health Promoting School Initiatives

The Action Plan

Strengthening Coordination and Management of Obesity Prevention



- Inter Ministerial
 Committee for
 NCDs
 established
- Multi-sectoral Task Force to coordinate response established

Strategy 2

To improve increase exclusive breastfeeding at 6 months by 20% by 2019



- 20% Increase in the rate of exclusive BF for 6 months
- Tertiary maternity health services BFHI certified
- National report published every 3 years on results of monitoring of the implementation of the code of marketing of breast milk substitutes

To reduce prevalence of low physical activity in adolescents by 30%



- 30% Increase in PA
- 70 % Implementation of program
 30mins/day, moderate to intense PA

Strategy 4

To develop and implement policies and regulations to reduce the impact on children of marketing of foods and non- alcoholic beverages high in saturated fats, trans fatty acids, free sugars or salt





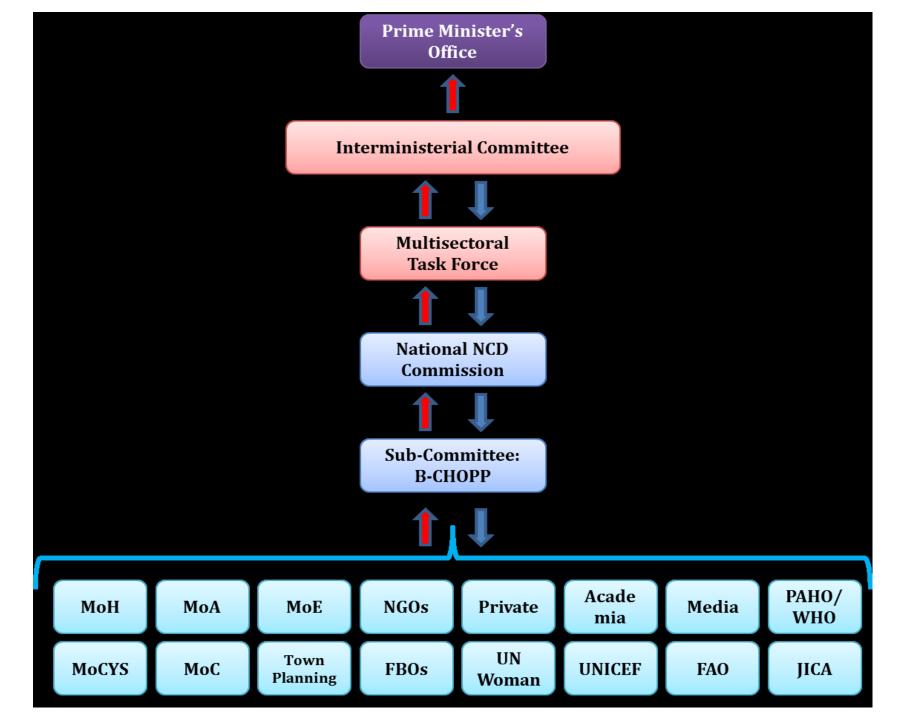
- Legislation to tax
 SSBs
 and EDNP foods
- Regulations protect children from marketing



To have at least 70 schools designated Health Promoting Schools by 2019



- Reduce availability of energy dense nutrition poor food
- Regulations promote consumption of healthy foods and water
- Schools in National Feeding Program



Summary Budget

This summary budget needs to be completed based on discussions and agreement with all concerned stakeholders.

(Currency in Barbados Dollars)

Action	Source of Funding			Unfunded	Funded	Total	
	MOH	MOE	MOA	NGO Others	Budget	Budget	Budget
S1: Strengthening Coordination and Management of Obesity Prevention							62,500
S2: Strengthening Breastfeeding Practices							60,000
S3: Promoting Physical Activity							79,000
S4: Developing and implementing Dietary Regulatory and Fiscal Policies							42,000
S5: Implementing Health Promoting School initiatives							115,000
Total Budget							358,500

- Inter-ministerial Committee established and sensitization on CHO on-going
- Working Group with Ministry of Education established
- Implementation of Plan drafted
- National Breastfeeding Committee re-established and policy framework updated and approved in December 2016
- BBI re-certification awardedDecember 2017
- Outreach to primary school students initiated
- Tax on sugar sweetened beverages introduced in September 2015

Progress and Achievements made

- Generally, the environment is unsupportive of actions to reduce childhood obesity
- Identifying best mechanism for working with the education sector
- Lack of sufficient human & financial resources

Gaps and Challenges

- Identify a willing partner/advocate in the Ministry of Education
- Capitalise on existing resources and programmes e.g.: fruit & water days, BDS Lecture series
- There are some things that do not require money, e.g. policies etc.

Lessons Learnt



- Multi-sectoral Plan- MOE, MOH, Civil Society are the principal Facilitators
- Roles of IMC and MSTF to be further clarified
- Monitoring and
 Evaluation- progress will be evaluated every 2 years

Summary

Front of PackageObesity Project

Creation of a voluntary standard for front-of packaging labeling for foods in Barbados which outline:

'High levels' in sugar, fat ,sugar and total calories.

Next steps

STOP



Childhood Obesity

Educate Our Youth!

