HOW DOES THE GCM/NCD WORK?
The GCM/NCD is a global Member State-led coordinating and engagement platform, established in 2014 by the World Health Assembly to help counteract the growing global health threat of noncommunicable diseases (NCDs).

WHAT IS THE GCM/NCD?
The GCM/NCD contributes to accelerating the implementation of the WHO Global Action Plan for the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases 2013-2020, and the NCD-related Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) targets by fostering high-level NCD commitments through multisectoral and multistakeholder engagement at local, national, regional and global levels.

WHAT DOES THE GCM/NCD DO?
The GCM/NCD connects and convenes a diverse group of Participants comprising WHO Member States, United Nations organizations and non-State actors around a shared goal to support countries to reduce premature mortality and unnecessary suffering from NCDs.

WHAT IS A GCM/NCD PARTICIPANT?
Participants are entities that have applied and been confirmed to join the GCM/NCD, based on clear eligibility and selection criteria. They are committed and active partners who bring knowledge and experience to support the actions and efforts by countries at the local, national, regional and global levels to prevent and control NCDs.
WHO ARE GCM/NCD PARTICIPANTS?

The GCM/NCD is led by WHO Member States. Other Participants include the following constituencies:

- United Nations funds, programmes and organizations and other relevant intergovernmental organizations, including those participating as a part of the UN Interagency Task Force on NCDs; and
- Non-State actors
  - Nongovernmental organizations
  - Private sector entities (including International business associations)
  - Philanthropic foundations
  - Academic institutions

Please note, only entities, not individuals, are eligible and may become GCM/NCD Participants.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF BECOMING A GCM/NCD PARTICIPANT?

1. Appearance of the entity’s name on the GCM/NCD’s corporate webpage and Knowledge Action Portal (KAP).
2. Appearance of the entity’s name, short description, web link and agreed commitment with the GCM/NCD Secretariat on the KAP.
3. Access to view the comprehensive profiles of other Participants of the GCM/NCD on the GCM/NCD KAP, including information on each other’s upcoming activities.
4. Receipt of invitations to attend GCM/NCD global, regional and national meetings.
5. Receipt of the GCM/NCD’s newsletters and annual reports.
6. Access to GCM/NCD webinars in general and specifically to the monthly webinar for GCM/NCD Participants on updates related to the work of the GCM/NCD Secretariat and its Participants.
7. Information about and involvement in GCM/NCD Communities and virtual engagement platform.
8. Access to publications, resources, academic and advocacy tools through the KAP on NCDs in line with WHO’s rules and policies.
9. Support the GCM/NCD’s efforts to facilitate and promote WHO’s collaboration with non-State actors at local, national, regional and global levels.

WHAT ARE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF BECOMING A GCM/NCD PARTICIPANT?

The process for applicants to become Participants of the GCM/NCD will include a pre-commitments form. Pre-commitments do not represent a binding agreement. Only once accepted as a Participant of the GCM/NCD are pre-commitments selectively developed and enhanced into formal commitments in collaboration with the WHO GCM/NCD Secretariat.

Through the process of forging a commitment with the WHO GCM/NCD Secretariat, each Participant’s unique responsibility will be defined.

All GCM/NCD Participants are responsible for active and sustained engagement with the GCM/NCD. This engagement can take the form of providing regular inputs and feedback on GCM/NCD activities, as well as contributing to the implementation of the GCM/NCD workplans 2018/2019 and 2020 (subject to approval at WHA72).