

The Promise of Digital Health

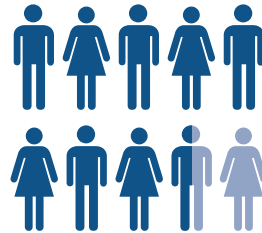
Addressing Non-communicable Diseases to Accelerate Universal Health Coverage in LMICs

THE SITUATION



>40 million

people die each year from lifestyle diseases such as diabetes and heart disease (non-communicable diseases - NCDs)



>85%

of these deaths occur in low- and middle-income countries



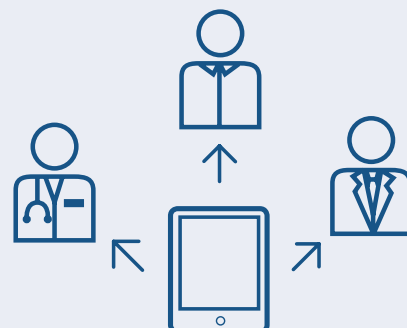
Achieving Universal Health Coverage is only possible if we properly address NCDs

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY ALLOWS US TO REIMAGINE HOW HEALTH SYSTEMS TACKLE NCD CARE



Digital technology can transform healthcare

to fight NCDs, especially in low- and middle-income countries

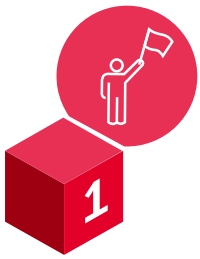


Digital empowers:

Health providers to deliver better care
Patients to manage their own health
Governments to strengthen health systems

BUILDING BLOCKS FOR SUSTAINABLE DIGITAL HEALTH

The Broadband Commission Working Group on Digital Health has published a new report that outlines six building blocks, accompanied by country examples, to help policymakers realize the full potential of digital technology to strengthen health systems and accelerate Universal Health Coverage.



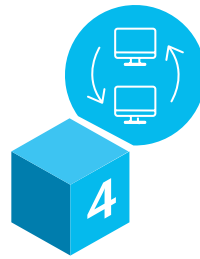
Policy makers need to prioritize and lead a national digital health strategy



Legal frameworks are essential to protect patients while enabling innovation



Standardized infrastructure that allows information to be used and shared is key to effective NCD management



Interoperability between diverse digital health solutions and data sources is a must to enable coordinated NCD management



Partnerships combine expertise, assets and ideas to amplify the scale and impact of successful digital health solutions



Sustained financing is mandatory if successful digital health solutions are to be scaled

LEARNING FROM OTHERS

Policymakers do not have to deliver alone

The report includes practical recommendations and examples from over 30 countries.



About the Working Group

The Broadband Commission Working Group on Digital Health is tasked with identifying countries that have successfully integrated health information systems, ICT infrastructure, and health ICT application, showcasing best practices and tools.

Their second report, **The Promise of Digital Health**, offers recommendations for how to address NCDs to accelerate universal health coverage in low- and middle-income countries. Read the report here: www.broadbandcommission.org/Documents/publications/DigitalHealthReport2018.pdf



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