

The WHO Global Oral Health Meeting: *On the road to the 2025 UN High-Level Meeting on NCDs*

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WHO's mandate from Resolution WHA74.5 (2021)

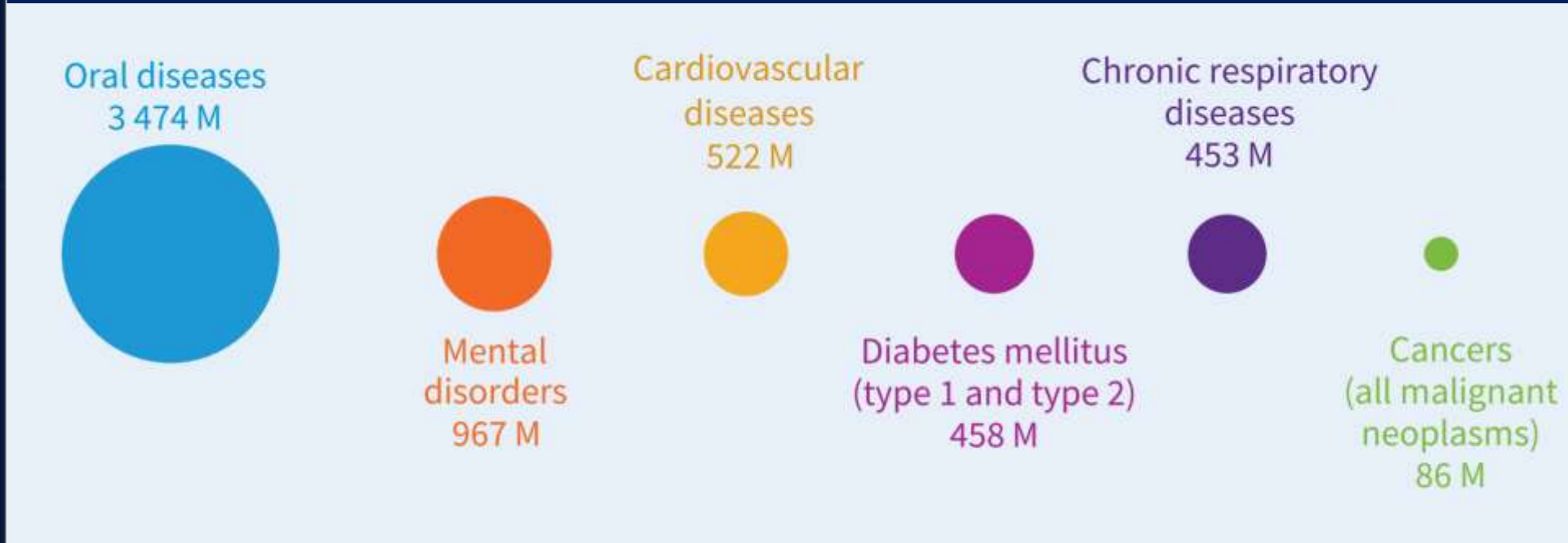
Requests that oral health be embedded within the NCD and UHC agendas

- ✓ Global strategy on oral health in May 2022 (WHA75(11))
- ✓ Global oral health action plan 2023-2030 (GOHAP) in May 2023
- ✓ 'Best buys' interventions on oral health
- ✓ Include noma in the WHO NTD List
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- ✓ First WHO Global Oral Health Status Report



Oral diseases affect 3.5 billion people more than all major NCDs combined

Oral health care leads to catastrophic costs for most vulnerable population



Oral diseases: dental caries, severe periodontal disease, oral cancer, noma and orofacial clefts

Global Strategy and Action Plan on Oral Health 2023-2030

Time to move from policy dev. to implementation!



Vision

Universal Health Coverage for oral health
for all individuals and communities by 2030



11 global oral health targets, 6 strategic objectives
and 100 actions for Member States, the WHO Secretariat, international partners, civil society organizations and the private sector

ORAL HEALTH FOR ALL

Global strategy and action plan on oral health 2023-2030



World Health Organization

There are 11 global oral health targets to be achieved by 2030

OVERARCHING GLOBAL TARGETS



Overarching global target A:
Oral health services are part of UHC

A.1. By 2030, 80% of the global population is entitled to essential oral health care services.



Overarching global target B:
Reduced oral disease burden

B.1. By 2030, the combined global prevalence of the main oral diseases and conditions over the life course shows a relative reduction of 10%.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 1: ORAL HEALTH GOVERNANCE



Global target 1.1:
National leadership for oral health



Global target 1.2:
Environmentally sound oral health care

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 2: ORAL HEALTH PROMOTION AND ORAL DISEASE PREVENTION



Global target 2.2:
Optimal fluoride for population oral health



Global target 2.1:
Policies to reduce free sugars intake

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 3: HEALTH WORKFORCE



Global target 3:
Innovative workforce model for oral health

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 4: ORAL HEALTH CARE



Global target 4.1:
Integration of oral health in primary care



Global target 4.2:
Availability of essential dental medicines

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 5: ORAL HEALTH INFORMATION SYSTEMS



Global target 5:
Monitoring implementation of national oral health policy

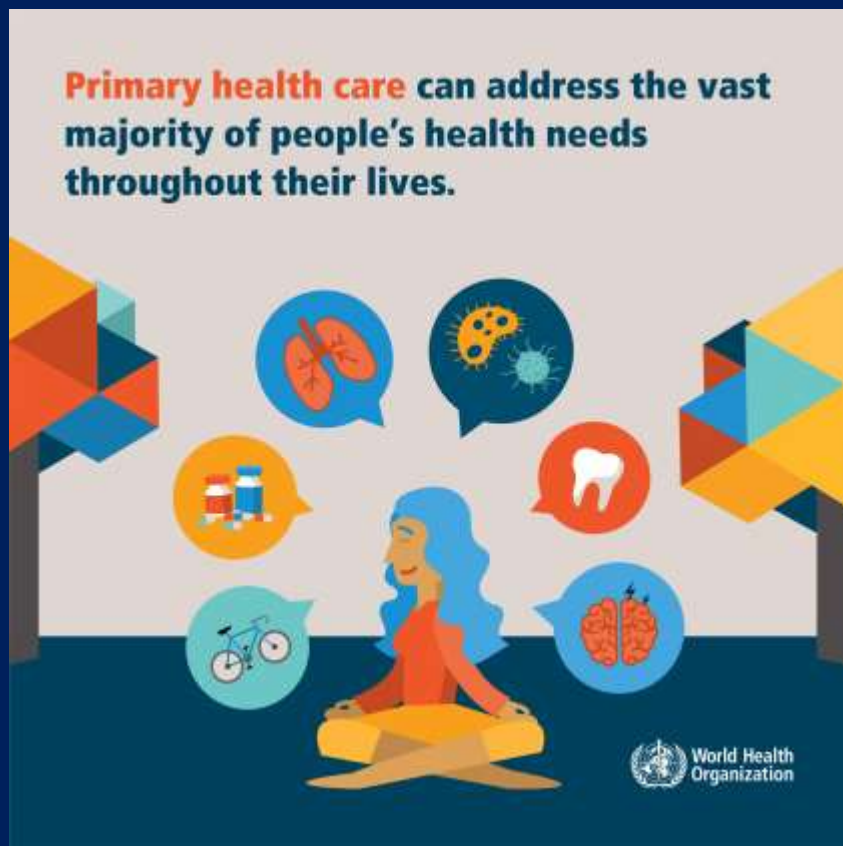
STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 6: ORAL HEALTH RESEARCH AGENDAS



Global target 6:
Research in the public interest

**11
Global
Targets**

Primary health care is the foundation of UHC



- A Primary Health Care (PHC) approach ensures that all people have access in their everyday environments to the full range of quality services and products they need for their health and well-being
- A PHC approach to UHC is effective, efficient and equitable
- 90% essential UHC interventions can be delivered through a PHC approach. 100% with a PHC approach that includes referrals to specialists and hospitals
- Compared to infectious diseases, the coverage of NCDs including oral diseases in UHC packages is lagging behind.

WHO menu of policy options and cost-effective interventions to prevent and control oral diseases

The first set of interventions are:

- Implement a population-wide mass media campaign to promote the use of toothpaste with a fluoride concentration of 1000–1500 ppm
- Apply silver diamine fluoride for arresting dental caries and its progression
- Use glass ionomer cement as a filling material for cavities, after removal of decayed tooth tissue using hand instruments
- Early detection programme of oral cancer including, as appropriate, targeted screening programme for high-risk groups in selected settings, according to disease burden and health system capacities, linked with comprehensive cancer management
- Taxation on sugar-sweetened beverages as part of fiscal policies for healthy diets



WHO Global Oral Health Meeting

*Universal Health Coverage for
Oral Health by 2030*

Overall objectives

1. To reaffirm political commitment by Member States based on the **Resolution on Oral Health in 2021**.
2. To accelerate and scale up national efforts to prevent and control NCDs with a focus on oral diseases to achieve **UHC for all by 2030**.
3. To contribute to the preparatory process leading to the **fourth High-level Meeting on NCDs in 2025**.



Host: Government of the Kingdom of Thailand

Venue: Centara Grand & Bangkok Convention Centre
at CentralWorld, Bangkok, Thailand

Date: 26-29 November 2024, Thailand

Expected outcomes

1

National oral health roadmaps
In line with the
GOHAP 2023-2030



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Bangkok Declaration
by the Member States
reaffirming commitment
on oral health &
informing WHO DG's
report for the UNHLM on
NCDs 2025



3

**Global Coalition
on oral health**
including a platform of
commitments from
Member States &
partners to support the
implementation of the
GOHAP 2023-2030



4

Meeting report
with recommendations
outlining the potential for
countries to achieve
UHC for oral health



Participants

400 expected in-person



*The participation will be limited as observers during the technical meeting day 1-3

** In accordance with the rules of the WHO Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA)

Advocate Core Group of countries to engage in all 4 areas of work

Pledge – Member State Stream

Establishment of the Global Coalition on Oral Health

High-level segment

Invitation of health ministers to the high-level segment of the WHO Global Oral Health Meeting



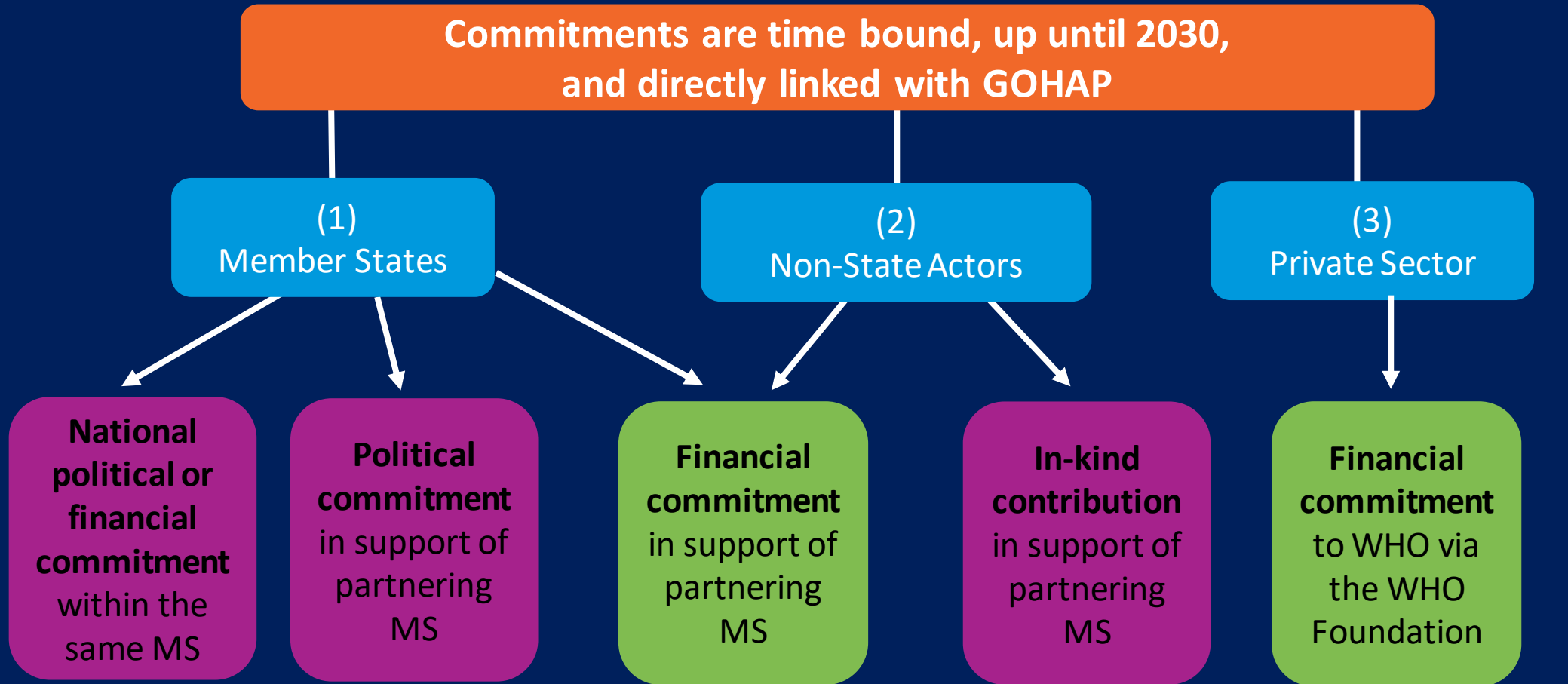
UNHLM on NCDs

Better visibility and clear recognition of oral health / oral diseases as part of future NCD agenda.

Bangkok Declaration

Group of champions member states to lead the drafting process, to be considered as negotiated document

From Pledge to Action Initiative: The Global Coalition on Oral Health



WHO global oral health meeting: Universal health coverage for oral health by 2030

26 – 29 November 2024 | Bangkok, Thailand



<https://www.who.int/news-room/events/detail/2024/11/26/default-calendar/who-global-oral-health-meeting--universal-health-coverage-for-oral-health-by-2030>

On the road to 2025 UN High-level Meeting of the UN General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of NCDs

Related

- Draft concept note
- Provisional agenda
- Global strategy and action plan on oral health 2023–2030
- Call for side events at the WHO global oral health meeting
- Oral health
- Oral health programme technical webpage

Fact sheets



Oral health
14 March 2023



Time to
invest in
bold action
on NCDs



World Health
Organization

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