## Flash Report

# Meeting EU NCD Initiative - Stakeholders

## 3 February 2022

DG SANTE hosted a webinar with the non-communicable diseases (NCD) stakeholder community, chaired by the Adviser for Stakeholder Relations, attended by 200 participants.

#### Discussion on the EU NCD Initiative

DG SANTE presented an update on the EU NCD Initiative to help spark the discussion on the stakeholders' priorities for its strands.

During the webinar, stakeholders were invited to share their views on:

- priorities for action in each of the EU NCD Initiative strands;
- policies, best practices, promising approaches, innovative actions to effectively address the priorities;
- the role of stakeholders for achieving those priorities, and the actions that the stakeholders can do in collaboration with other concerned parties.

Stakeholders were also invited to continue to submit input to the Initiative via the dedicated network at the Health Policy Platform (HPP). Their suggestions might then be put for consideration of the Member States. Health authorities will have the opportunity to prioritise actions.

All participants **welcomed and praised** the aim and ambition of the initiative. In addition, there was **wide appreciation** among stakeholders for the opportunity to be truly involved in the development of its priorities in such a participatory process.

There was **wide-ranging input** from stakeholders throughout Europe, offering many valuable suggestions. Comments highlighted e.g. the relevance and potential of increasing action on prevention and screening, on social and commercial determinants of health, on health inequalities, on obesity, on cardiovascular disease, on stroke, on liver, on brain and mental health, and on data for decision-making. These and others will be now analysed, alongside the contributions received via the HPP, and considered for the next iteration of the EU NCD Initiative document.

### Conclusion

The meeting was concluded by thanking participants for their strong engagement as well as their valuable and enriching input, and reminding them that the next webinars for stakeholders on this topic are planned for 17 March, 27 April and 3 June 2022.