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Health systems respond to NCDs: time for ambition

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NCD outcomes
and their
distribution

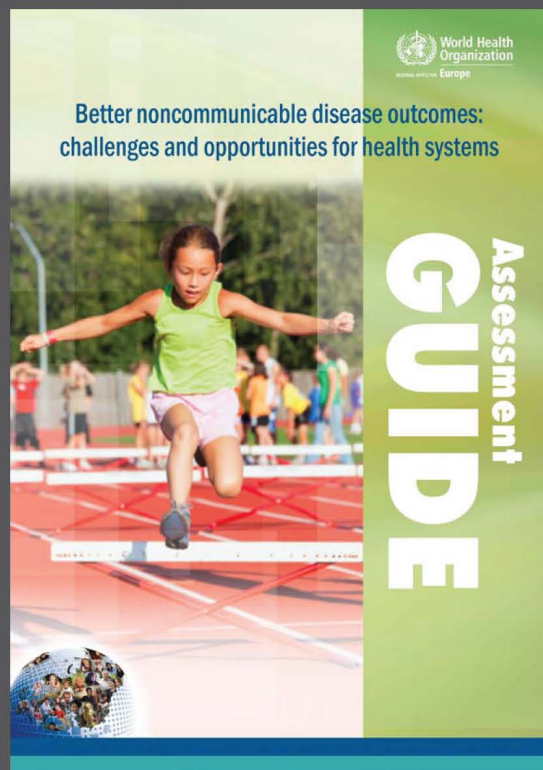
Core
interventions
and services
(best buys)

Health system
barriers and
opportunities

Making a greater impact on **NCD outcomes** requires scaling up the **best buys** at greater scale through a well-coordinated response throughout the **health system**.

Learning from country processes

- Multidisciplinary
- Contextualized
- Pragmatic
- Actionable



Celebrate successes | **Share** experiences | **Inspire** action

Report and compendium of good practices



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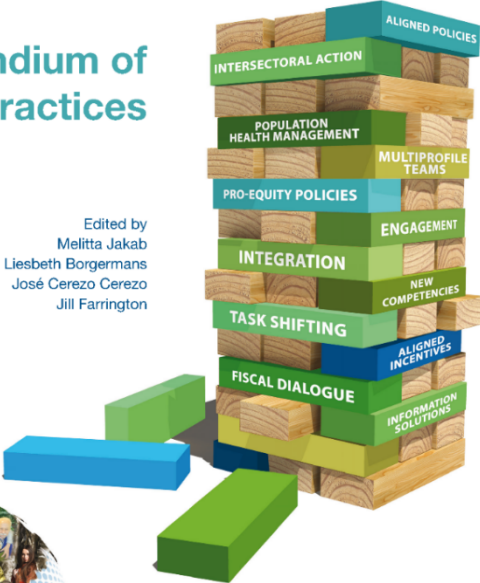
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Systems thinking needed to tackle NCDs: comprehensive and aligned



Health systems respond to NCDs: 9 cornerstones

Governing for NCD outcomes

Health workforce fit
for purpose

Aligned health
financing

Multi-pronged
medicines policy

Information
solutions

Coordinated continuous
comprehensive services
People

The equity dimension

- **Universal policies** are the foundations of an effective health system response to NCDs ...
- ... but **one size does not fit all**
- **Targeted equity-enhancing** policies are needed to leave no one behind

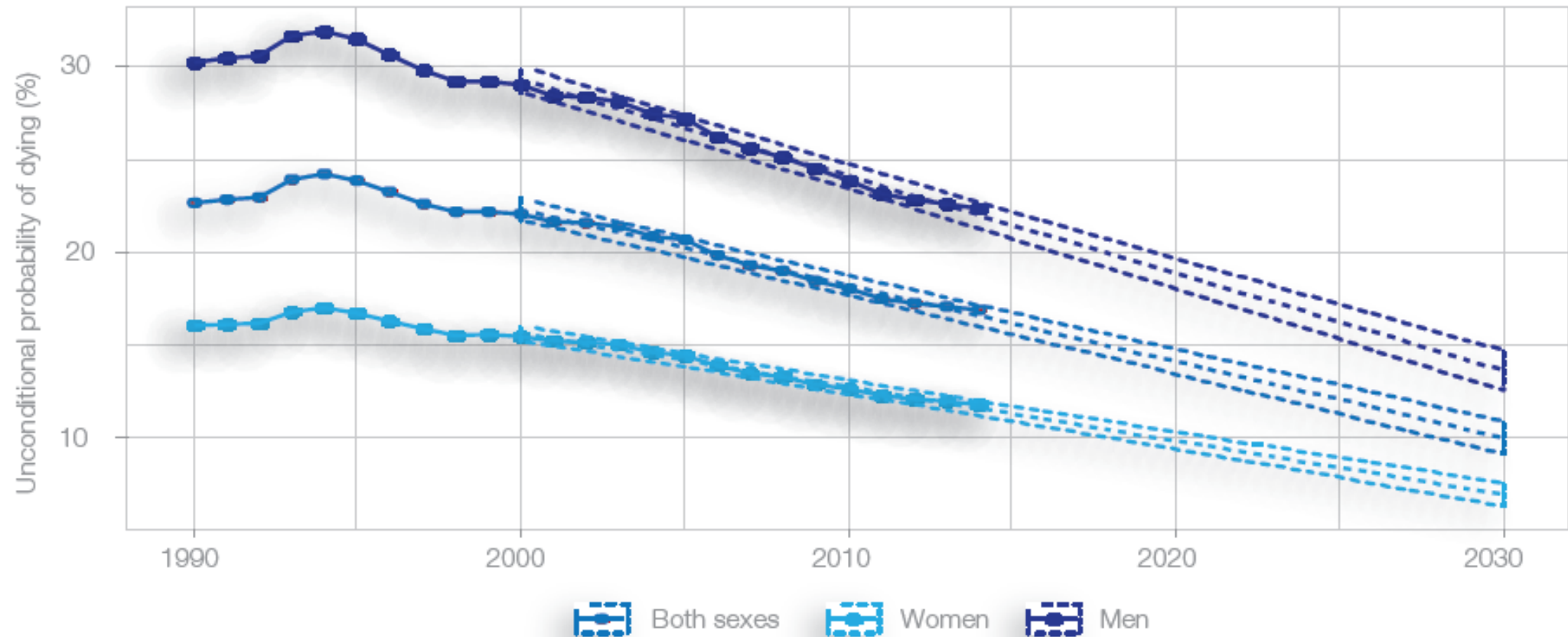




Health systems can play varied roles in **reducing health inequalities** combining universal with targeted policies

- Lead and do
- Collaborate and co-produce
- Catalyze and inspire

NCD outcomes: doing well, but could we be doing much better?



Leapfrogging opportunities, challenges and engines of transformation



“Leapfrogging is not only possible; it is the only way”

Recep Akdag, Turkey

“Governance structures are needed which enhance dialogue and allow collaborative exchange of expertise including at the municipal level”

Katie Dain, NCD Alliance

“Larger-scale multidisciplinary team-based services with a different mix of professionals will support a much needed shift from responsive to proactive models of delivery, to allow more focus on issues beyond the biomedical”

Nigel Edwards, UK

“Designing equity into public health action is a critical area of leapfrogging in health systems”

Zsuzsanna Jakab, WHO

“Long-term systematic information management is vital; information has to be gathered and systematized, and it has to include unified health and financial data across all levels of care, and care providers”

Pavlo Kovtonyuk, Ukraine

Managing the political economy of large-scale system change

- Coalition of the willing
- The ‘burning platform’
- Economic impact of NCDs
- Knowledge about how to transform health systems



WHO/Europe future action

- To provide leadership on health systems strengthening in collaboration with partners and advocate for increased investments in the health system response to NCDs
- To support Member States in operationalizing equity-oriented, comprehensive and aligned health systems strengthening for improved NCD outcomes
- To create opportunities for regional exchange and sharing of good practices
- To channel the results of the two high-level regional meetings to the United Nations high-level meetings on NCDs in 2018 and on universal health coverage in 2019



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