



Statement to the 75th World Health Assembly

Agenda item 14.1 Follow-up to the political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases

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(i) Draft recommendations for the prevention and management of obesity over the lifecourse, including potential targets

World Obesity welcomes the WHO Recommendations on obesity which, for the first time, are comprehensive: covering obesity prevention and management throughout the life-course, as well as the additional commitment to biannual reporting.

We commend WHO's commitment to support selected frontrunner countries with implementation, through the Acceleration Plan. However, we remain concerned by the lack of accountability and implementation support, especially for non-frontrunner countries, risking continued inaction and failure to meet targets. An overarching framework, such as a Global Action Plan, is the next required step to support implementation and accountability, reduce fragmentation and ensure no-one is left behind.

We therefore urge Member States to:

1. Adopt the Recommendations on obesity and commit to implementation;
2. Recognise this as the first step towards a Global Action Plan to support comprehensive action in all countries

We also support WCRF International's statement on this agenda item.

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