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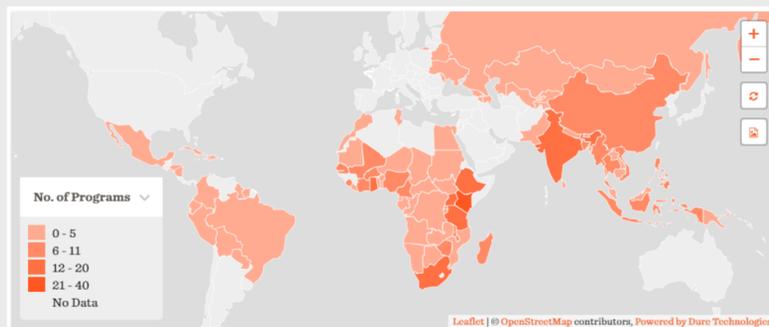
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As 2018 comes to a close, we are thrilled to achieve an important milestone for Access Accelerated: the launch of the Access Accelerated Open Platform, which [is now available online](#) and as a mobile app.

In launching Access Accelerated, the biopharmaceutical industry united behind a shared commitment to identifying and breaking down barriers to prevention, treatment and care for non-communicable diseases (NCDs). One such barrier to collaboration was a lack of a centralized information detailing global programs, activities and research on NCDs.

To address this, Access Accelerated created the Access Accelerated Open Platform, a knowledge resource intended to catalyze global action on NCDs by centralizing programmatic information. Now, users can more readily identify gaps in NCD programs and opportunities for future collaboration.



The need for a central knowledge resource was identified after a detailed assessment of existing tools and portals, including the WHO Global Health Observatory, WHO Global NCD Monitoring Framework, the World Bank, UN Stats and resources published by NCD civil society organizations. While there was excellent independent work being taken up by established sources, there was no single platform that brought together both biopharmaceutical and public health sectors efforts.

The Access Accelerated Open Platform now provides the most complete view of the biopharmaceutical industry's efforts to address NCDs. The resource contains information on 90 programs from 25 companies across 99 low- and middle-income countries and will be updated regularly to reflect new programs and features.

A key advantage of the platform is its ease of use. Many existing data hubs and resources are designed specifically for a technical audience. The Access Accelerated Open Platform is designed for a wide audience to use and explore with easy to understand graphs, charts and case studies of existing NCD programs.

We invite you to explore the Open Platform because sharing knowledge is critical for better decision-making to advance NCD prevention, treatment and care. As we share insight and knowledge, we will better serve the needs of people living with NCDs.

You can access the platform online at <http://aaopenplatform.accessaccelerated.org/> or visit the Apple or Android app store to download the mobile app.



LOOKING AHEAD TO 2019

We will resume regular monthly newsletters starting in January 2019. Each newsletter will feature updated information about Access Accelerated, including key events, thought leadership and updates from our members. We are also in the process of preparing the Year 2 Annual Report and will share this early in 2019.

In the meantime, we wish you a very happy, healthy and productive New Year and thank you for your continued partnership and support.



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