

# VIETNAM

Access Accelerated is implementing scalable and sustainable non-communicable disease (NCD) solutions in low- and middle-income countries by helping the public and private sectors work better together.

Access Accelerated is concentrating its work in Vietnam to support the integration of NCD services and screening into primary healthcare. We are working with partners to scale pilot programs nationally to reach all of Vietnam. We concentrate on:

**PRIMARY CARE**

the cornerstone of universal health coverage

**SUPPLY CHAIN**

closing bottlenecks and opening access

**DIGITAL HEALTH**

using technology to promote health

**EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES**

encouraging local ownership

## KEY FACTS & FIGURES

NCDS ACCOUNT FOR

**77%** OF ALL DEATHS IN VIETNAM<sup>1</sup>

**6%** OF PEOPLE LIVE BELOW

THE POVERTY LINE

86% of this population are ethnic minorities.<sup>2</sup>

THERE IS LESS THAN **1 DOCTOR**

AND **1.4 NURSES PER**

**1,000 VIETNAMESE**<sup>3</sup>

**5.5%** OF GDP IS SPENT ON HEALTHCARE<sup>4</sup>

– AROUND **\$129 USD** PER PERSON A YEAR<sup>5</sup>

**CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE, CANCERS, DIABETES AND KIDNEY DISEASES, AND CHRONIC RESPIRATORY DISEASES**

ARE THE TOP FOUR KILLERS IN VIETNAM.<sup>6</sup>

ACCESS ACCELERATED MEMBER COMPANIES SUPPORT

**8 PROGRAMS IN VIETNAM**

THE PROGRAMS FOCUS ON:

**3** CANCER PROGRAMS

**3** CVDs PROGRAMS

**3** DIABETES PROGRAMS

**1** RESPIRATORY PROGRAMS

**3** OTHER NCDs PROGRAMS

## WHO WE'RE HELPING

**6.1 M** BENEFICIARY POPULATION (2017 - 2019)\*  
7.1% of Vietnam's total population

\*Disclaimer: these numbers are approximations based on the latest reporting figures from members, partners, and the Access Observatory.

## OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

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In 2019, Access Accelerated began work with **PATH** and the Ministry of Health to scale a successful hypertension prevention and management pilot supported by the Novartis Foundation from 2016 to 2018, in four districts of Ho Chi Minh City. The program, Communities for Healthy Vietnam, will expand to also include diabetes and eventually mental health, cancer and other NCDs.



2

As a result of the Communities for Healthy Vietnam program, in 2019, over 10,000 people have been screened for hypertension; and 5,000 people living with hypertension and 1,000 people living with diabetes were connected with care.

3

In 2019, the first digital patient tracker for NCD management was launched. The Electronic Chronic Disease Patient Tracker (or eHTN Tracker) is software developed by the Communities for Healthy Vietnam program. It helps ease case management and allows health workers to track people along their hypertension journey.

4

The Vietnamese Government signed a US \$96m project with the **World Bank** to strengthen primary healthcare services — including NCD diagnostics and treatment for the first time. We are hopeful this project will prove NCDs can be diagnosed at the primary care level, improving access to all Vietnamese people.

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We also support **NCD Alliance Vietnam** in their wide-ranging consultation of people living with NCDs — helping the organization identify the challenges and issues they face on a daily basis. This information will be used to inform policy making moving forward.

<sup>1</sup> <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SH.DTH.NCOM.ZS?end=2016&locations=VN&start=2000&view=chart>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.worldbank.org/en/country/vietnam/overview>

<sup>3</sup> <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SH.MED.NUMW.P3?locations=VN>

<sup>4</sup> <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SH.XPD.CHEX.GD.ZS?locations=VN>

<sup>5</sup> <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SH.XPD.CHEX.PC.CD?locations=VN>

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.statista.com/statistics/1107639/vietnam-number-of-deaths-by-cause/>