

ACCESS ACCELERATED PARTNERSHIP WITH THE NCD ALLIANCE

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 and the [NCD Alliance \(NCDA\)](#) began working together in 2018. Together our organizations are supporting people living with NCDs (PLWNCDs) to drive effective and sustainable change that ensures NCD policies and programs reflect peoples' lived experiences.

Access Accelerated supports the NCD Alliance to elevate the voices of PLWNCDs, building on our shared commitment to meaningfully involve them in the creation of sustainable solutions. The partnership focuses on advancing a people-centered approach to NCD prevention, treatment and care, championing local advocacy and mobilization, and supporting national NCD alliances. Together, we want to amplify the voices of those living with NCDs on the global stage, build demand for action and drive progress towards holistic solutions and policies at the regional, national and global level.



283

NCD ALLIANCE
members across

81

COUNTRIES, including

54

NATIONAL AND REGIONAL
alliances spanning all WHO regions.

20

NATIONAL AND
REGIONAL NCD
ALLIANCES supported by the
Civil Society Solidarity Fund on
NCDs and COVID-19.

5000+

PEOPLE LIVING WITH
NCDs reached in activities
at the national, regional and
global levels.

TAKING ACTION

Photo: BBC Turning the Tide Series (Ghana)

OUR SHARED VISION

Over the next three years, our partnership aims to have a strong and sustainable NCD civil society in shared priority countries, engaging PLWNCDs and successfully coordinating advocacy to build the demand for more effective health systems and treatment. We will also facilitate the meaningful involvement of PLWNCDs in the NCD response, at national, regional and global levels, with the necessary skills and knowledge and opportunities/platforms for involvement. In addition, we will position NCDs and access to people-centered treatment, care and support as a top priority in the global and national health and sustainable development agendas, including Universal Health Coverage (UHC).

ADVANCING A PEOPLE-CENTERED APPROACH TO NCD PREVENTION, TREATMENT AND CARE

This approach ensures solutions respond to and respect the expressed values, preferences and desired health outcomes of people. We want them to become active participants in their health and wellbeing, and to be meaningfully involved in decision-making processes.

CHAMPIONING LOCAL ADVOCACY AND MOBILIZATION

Through the *Our Views, Our Voices* initiative, the partnership seeks to provide training and resources to support civil-society led action, build and further national Advocacy Agendas of People Living with NCDs and construct a public narrative on NCDs that puts people first.

SUPPORTING NATIONAL NCD ALLIANCES

National NCD alliances are critical for fostering networks of PLWNCDs and providing a platform for meaningful involvement in awareness raising, advocacy, policy shaping and governance.

“The NCD Alliance’s partnership with Access Accelerated taps into the very core of our work, which is about putting people first in the response to NCDs and pursuit of UHC. Efforts in Kenya have set foundations for the future by developing a model to produce a National Advocacy Agenda of People living with NCDs that can help drive sustainable action and be applied to other countries.”

—Katie Dain
NCD Alliance CEO



Katie Dain represents the NCD Alliance at the 2019 Access Accelerated UNGA event on “The Future of Public-Private Partnerships for NCDs: Collaboration in the Age of UHC.”



KEY PARTNERSHIP ACHIEVEMENTS

Photo: BBC Turning the Tide Series (Ghana)

2020

Joined efforts to convene civil society at the Global NCDA Forum to monitor governments' progress and advocate for action to implement global pledges to meet NCD targets. Under the theme "Bridging the Gap," the Forum was held in Sharjah, United Arab Emirates. Access Accelerated sponsored the *Our Views, Our Voices* pre-event, "I'm Patient for Change: The Power of Lived Experiences In Bridging the Gap for NCDs" and also supported the participation of PLWNCDs from Kenya, Ghana, Vietnam and Malaysia.

Leveraged the Global NCDA Forum as an opportunity to convene PLWNCDs from across geographies to participate in and join a dedicated *Our Views, Our Voices* event. With support from Access Accelerated, NCDA has continued its support to the work of national NCD alliances in Ghana, Kenya and Vietnam and has also expanded to India and Malaysia through grant awards, training opportunities and technical assistance.

Released a film highlighting mental health in Ghana as part of the NCD Alliance and BBC StoryWorks series, *Turning the Tide*. The film featured the perspective of Martha Coffie, an advocate who lends her voice to supporting PLWNCDs through the *Our Views, Our Voices* program.

Partnered with Access Accelerated member company, Takeda, to develop a better understanding of the needs and challenges of people living with a range of NCDs — within the four major NCDs and beyond, including rarer conditions and living with multiple NCDs —

resulting in an *Our Views, Our Voices* publication titled "Towards an Inclusive NCD Agenda: A Collection of Lived Experiences from Around the World."

Contributed to the first Civil Society Solidarity Fund on NCDs and COVID-19, which will support 20 national and regional NCD alliances to accelerate the response to the coronavirus pandemic.

2019

Supported the launch of the *Our Views, Our Voices* Train-the-Trainer program with PLWNCDs and national and regional NCD alliance representatives from eight countries/regions. The program equips PLWNCDs with skills to leverage their lived experiences and drive action on NCDs through a public narrative that puts people first.

Supported the release of the *Ghana Advocacy Agenda of People Living with NCDs* alongside the Ghana NCD Alliance, calling on the government to take action on financing and access.

Co-produced two mini-films with NCDA that present the hard-hitting and powerful stories of two *Our Views, Our Voices* advocates from Ghana and India. Launched by the BBC, the mini-films have been produced together with the Ghana NCD Alliance and Healthy India Alliance and thanks to NCDA's partnership with Access Accelerated.

Supported the strengthening of the national NCD alliance in Vietnam through a consultation with PLWNCDs to identify common needs, challenges and priorities.

2018

Supported the release of the *Advocacy Agenda of People Living with NCDs in Kenya* following a two-day consultative process involving the voices of 52 people living with NCDs representing diverse conditions, along with over 50 diverse stakeholders engaged in the NCD response.

The Advocacy Agenda of People Living with NCDs in Kenya



Supported a two-day national meeting hosted by the Ghana NCD Alliance to discuss needs and recommendations of people living with NCDs, which led to the building of the Ghana Advocacy Agenda of People Living with NCDs, informed by inputs from over 100 PLWNCDs.