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## MELBOURNE HEALTH SUMMIT MEMORANDUM

### NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

**The H20 Health (Melbourne 2014) Summit urges the Worlds' Leaders, including those at the G20 Australia, to work constructively and meaningfully with the Health Sector to address the catastrophic effects of unresolved "Non-Communicable Diseases".**

WMA asserts all NCDs need to be addressed and in a systematic, coordinated and sustainable way: the work is more urgent now.

<http://www.wma.net/en/20activities/30publichealth/10noncommunicablediseases/>

The spread of non-communicable diseases remains a socio-economic and development challenge of "epidemic proportions." Governments in 2011 pledged to work with the United Nations to adopt before the end of 2012 targets to combat heart disease, cancers, diabetes and lung disease and to devise voluntary policies that cut smoking and slashed the high salt, sugar and fat content in foods that caused them.

<http://www.un.org/press/en/2011/ga11138.doc.htm>

**Media release:**

[http://www.wma.net/en/40news/20archives/2014/2014\\_32/index.html](http://www.wma.net/en/40news/20archives/2014/2014_32/index.html)

**Meeting notification**

<http://www.wma.net/en/50events/20otherevents/70g20melbourne/index.html>

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