



5th GLOBAL CONFERENCE OF THE ALLIANCE FOR HEALTHY CITIES (AFHC)

Short-course B

Health in All Policies and NCDs

Wednesday, 24 October, 09:00 - 13:00

Level Theatre A3003, Southbank Institute of Technology, Southbank, Brisbane

Objectives:

1. To promote Health in All Policies (HiAP) and intersectoral action for health (ISA) at the city level through sharing information on the concepts and on recent developments in this area, and to highlight the importance of HiAP/ISA in addressing noncommunicable diseases (NCDs).
2. To share and learn from experiences of cities that have implemented intersectoral programmes to address NCDs.
3. To promote and facilitate HiAP/ISA through providing practical guidance by presenting 10 steps for implementing ISA and conducting a group exercise on the topic.

Background:

Noncommunicable diseases (NCDs) are strongly influenced by factors outside the realm of the health sector with the main risk factors being tobacco use, harmful alcohol use, unhealthy diet and physical inactivity. Thus effective responses require the support of other sectors.

Working together across sectors to influence determinants of health is often referred to as Health in All Policies (HiAP) or intersectoral action for health (ISA). Several different terms, such as healthy public policy, whole-of-government approach, and multisectoral action for health can be used almost interchangeably.

Implementation of HiAP/ISA can be challenging, and more evidence and practical guidance is required to ensure that it can be effectively and sustainably carried out in cities.

This 4-hour course, facilitated by the WHO Kobe Centre, aims to provide the participants with information on HiAP/ISA in cities, using intersectoral NCD initiatives as an example. By discussing recent research results in this area, sharing knowledge, experiences and lessons learnt about effective interventions, participants' knowledge on how to implement intersectoral NCD initiatives in cities will be enhanced.

Agenda:

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| 09:00–09:10 | Opening and background on WKC and UN work Health in All Policies (HiAP)/intersectoral action (ISA) and NCDs (Dr Francisco Armada, WHO Kobe Centre) |
| 09:10–09:15 | Introductions |
| 09:15–09:35 | HiAP/ISA at local level (Ms Riikka Rantala, WHO Kobe Centre) |
| 09:35–10:00 | Intersectoral responses to childhood obesity in New York, London and Cape Town (Dr Kimberly Libman, City University of New York) |
| 10:00–10:30 | Questions and Discussion |
| 10:30–10:45 | Coffee break |
| 10:45–11:15 | 10 steps to implement HiAP/ISA (Dr Francisco Armada, WHO Kobe Centre) |
| 11:15–12:45 | Group exercise |
| 13:00 | Closing |