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Ms Helen Sõber
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operation Department
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Dear Ms Sõber,

Nomination of data provider for the 2026 Global Survey on Assessment of National Capacity for the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases

The Global Survey on Assessment of National Capacity for the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases (NCDs) has been organized every two to three years by the Department of Noncommunicable Diseases and Mental Health at WHO headquarters in collaboration with WHO regional offices. The aim of the survey is to collect information from countries on their current capacities with regard to NCD infrastructure and governance, policy action, surveillance and health system response, as well as to identify areas that require further prioritization and strengthening.

The data collected through the survey are used to report on progress made towards meeting commitments made by heads of states and governments in the 2011 Political Declaration of the United Nations High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of NCDs and in subsequent high-level meetings held in 2014, 2018 and 2025, as well as those commitments made with the adoption of the Global NCD Action Plan 2013–2030, and the general and European programmes of work. In the last four rounds of data collection, all Member States of the WHO European Region provided data for this important survey.

Data are usually provided by designated national data providers, whose names and affiliations for the 2023 round of data collection are given in Annex 1.

As in previous rounds, data collection for the survey, which will be launched in September 2026, will be conducted via an online platform. WHO is currently finalizing the questionnaire for 2026 data collection, previous version of questionnaire is given in Annex 2.

The 2026 data collection in the WHO European Region will be coordinated by the Division of Prevention and Health Promotion. The contact persons are Dr Ivo Rakovac, Regional Advisor NCD Surveillance (rakovaci@who.int) and Ms Natalia Fedkina, Consultant NCD Surveillance (fedkinan@who.int).

With this letter, we kindly request that you nominate a data provider for the 2026 round of the Global Survey on Assessment of National Capacity for the Prevention and Control of NCDs. Please send contact details of the designated data provider by email to fedkinan@who.int with a copy to euNCDsurveillance@who.int by 31 August 2026. We will then contact the nominated data provider with detailed instructions. If we do not receive your nomination in time, we will assume that you will be acting as a data provider.

We express our gratitude for your support and collaboration in this important activity.

Sincerely yours,



Dr Gundo Aurel Weiler
Director
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Annex 1. Nominated data providers for the 2023 Global Survey on Assessment of National Capacity for the Prevention and Control of NCDs

Annex 2. Questionnaire for the 2023 survey

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