Prevention and control of non-communicable diseases:

Grouping 1.1.2

Statement:

Obesity and diabetes are on the rise. We call on WHO to develop clear recommendations targeting the commercial and social determinants of health. Marketing of processed foods and beverages harm public health, especially for vulnerable groups. Big food and agriculture industry have interests that contradict health; they cannot be allowed to influence policy making, such as taxation, trade and food labelling.

WHO should not limit the scope of priority interventions to HPV vaccination, but equally promote screening and treatment of cervical cancer too. WHO should refrain from recommending vertical interventions and rather recommend a Comprehensive PHC approach that includes training healthcare workers, and enabling transfer and access to preventive diagnostic and therapeutic technologies.