

Stakeholders' webinars on WHO cancer initiatives

Session: Financing for cancer

Date: 2 February 2024, Time: 15:30–17:00

Provisional agenda

Time (CET)	Topic	Facilitators/presenters
15:30–15:37	Video documentary Welcome to session by the moderator	Mame-Yaa Bosomtwi, Stakeholder Management Officer, NCD Department
15:37–15:42	A survivor's experience: financial burden on individuals with cancer and their support networks	Ms Jane Kabaki, International economics lawyer and breast cancer survivor
15:42–15:47	Opening remarks Setting the stage: cancer's broad impact on health, families, professions, and well-being	Dr Bente Mikkelsen, Director, WHO NCD Department
15:47–15:54	Rising burden of cancer marked and worsening inequalities	Dr Elisabete Weiderpass, Director, IARC
15:54–15:59	Status of cancer care and universal health coverage (UHC): overview of WHO report	Dr Hesham Gaafar, WHO consultant
Panel discussion		Facilitators/presenters
15:59–16:00	Moderator to link from opening to the panel discussion and intended outcome	Panel discussion – 40 minutes
16:00–16:40	Role of the WHO and other entities in strengthening support for cancer patients	Guy Fones, Team Lead, Global Coordination Mechanism on NCDs
	The importance of insurance coverage and financial assistance programmes	Benda Kithaka, Africa Cervical Healthcare Alliance (ACHA), Kenya Dr Lydia Dsane-Selby, former Chief Executive of the National Health Insurance Authority, Ghana
	Advocating for policies for broader, more accessible coverage	Dr Heather White, Executive Director TogetHER for Health Dr Saunthari Somasundaram, President/Medical Director, National Cancer Society, Malaysia
	Financing for cancer prevention and care	Stephen Jan, Co-Director of the Health System Science Program and Head of the Health Economic and Process Evaluation Programme, George Institute for Global Health
16:40–16:50	Interactive discussion and use of chat for Q&A	Audience
16:50–17:00	Summary comments, next steps and closing remarks	Dr Slim Slama, NCD Department, Unit Head, Management Screening Diagnosis and Treatment