The experience from Thailand: Flexible Financing and mechanisms to engage non-state actors in whole-of-society responses to NCDs.

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How to involve non-state actors to tackle with NCDs: Thai Experiences

• Work with open mind and perspectives and explore the appropriate role of each sector: public, NGOs, academia
• Support non-state actors with flexible financing and flexible regulations
• Work on the platform of area based and issue based
• Find out the appropriate public sector to co-ordinate with non-public actors
Linkage between the Triangle that moves the mountain and the Tipping points to reverse the NCD risk factors

“Triangle that moves the mountain”

Knowledge generation & management
Social movement
Political/Policy linkages

“Tipping point”

Three groups of people
Conductive Environment
Stickiness of the issue

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Triangle that moves the mountain

• **Legalized National Multi-sectoral Mechanisms**, chaired by the PM, to tackle risk factors – Tobacco and Alcohol Control acts, National food committee act, Sin tax health promotion foundation, National Health Commission – **Policy and political angle**

• **Social mobilizations** – strong civil society and community networks on all risk factors **with committed champions with high social and intellectual capital** – **Social angle**

• **Evidence Generation and Management** – Tobacco Research center, Alcohol Research Center, HP/HS research networks, Food and Nutrition policy research program – **intellectual angles**
Sin tax based Thai Health Promotion Foundation

- Thai Health Promotion Foundation Act 2001

- 2% additional levy on excise tax of tobacco and alcohol – millions 150 $US per year

- Independent multi-sectoral board chaired by the PM, half multi-sectoral ex officio, half independent social champions

- Focus on risk factors of NCDs and SDH as well as Health Systems based Health Promotion and Disease Prevention

- Work with policy makers, civil society, academia and communities
Tackle NCD risk factors under the UHC

- 100% population coverage since 2002

- 20% UHC budget for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention – especially NCD risk factors

- Special funds for secondary prevention of metabolic diseases – DM and HT

- Establishment of almost 7,000 community health funds jointly funded by the local government to work on community health including NCD risk factors
Factors

• Financing mechanisms that flexible and open opportunity to support non-public sectors
• Forum or platform that open for the non-public sectors to participate and involve
• Experiences and culture of working together among stakeholders (public and non-public) in health sectors
• Open perspectives and attitudes of key public sector to co-ordinate and work together with non-public sectors