Following up on your tweet, I would ask you to publish my plea to ensure that the current approach of the zero draft to excluding people aged under 30 and over 70 is abandoned. The WHO Independent Commission recently called for interventions for people of all ages, but the heavy focus on premature mortality targets defined by WHO as deaths between age 30 and 69 completely contradicts this call. Why does the NCD Division of WHO persist with ageist approaches, when WHO as a whole calls for an end to ageism in global health. The large majority of avoidable deaths from NCDs occur among older people.

WHO must follow the lead of the SDG Commission and take age limits out of its definition of premature mortality, replacing them with the workable and equitable metric of "Avoidable all-age NCD mortality".

Please post this message

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