

## 156th Session of WHO's Executive Board (EB156) Individual Statement

## Agenda item 8: Mental health and social connection

In regard to the decision on mental health as a dedicated agenda item, in its implementation, we encourage Member States to ensure and strengthen the collaboration between the World Health Organization's NCD and mental health workstreams. This is an opportunity to highlight the importance of mental health and neurological conditions ensuring these areas remain central to NCD policy, including for alcohol. This is a chance to enhance reporting mechanisms, encouraging greater alignment and coherence between the NCD and mental health workstreams for an integrated NCD agenda.

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