Philanthropy: HealthRise™

HealthRise℠: Improving Care For Chronic Diseases

Medtronic Philanthropy has launched HealthRise, a five-year, $17-million program that supports community-based demonstration projects specifically designed to expand access to care and management of chronic diseases such as cardiovascular disease (CVD) and diabetes. With the aim of fostering local ownership of each country program, HealthRise engages multi-sector stakeholders, including governments, frontline healthcare providers, patients and families, to better understand their community’s unique health system and to support the implementation of innovative and strategic demonstration projects that enable people living with CVD and diabetes to lead healthier lives.

Geographies

Both global and local in nature, HealthRise focuses its efforts in select communities in Brazil, India, South Africa, and the United States. In each community, HealthRise program managers will work with local stakeholders to align priorities and support.

The HealthRise Approach

Community Assessments: In each country, HealthRise program managers work with local partners to conduct needs assessments to identify access-related barriers, service delivery gaps, community requirements, and opportunities within the health systems.

Demonstration Projects: With results from the community assessments, HealthRise will engage multi-sector stakeholders to guide the program and to contribute to the design and award of multi-year grants supporting demonstration projects focusing on community-based interventions that integrate with existing health programs.

These demonstration projects will work towards empowering people living with CVD and diabetes, enabling frontline healthcare providers to better address the needs of these populations, and supporting non-communicable disease (NCD)-related advocacy and policy.

Management, Measurement and Collaboration: During implementation, HealthRise program managers will manage and monitor the performance of the grantees to build capacity and provide technical assistance as needed. They will also facilitate routine information-sharing and peer-to-peer learning among the grantees and local stakeholders by convening technical fora and other events.

Evaluation: At the completion of the demonstration projects, the HealthRise evaluation team will conduct evaluations to assess the impact of the program. It is expected that the emerging best practices and lessons learned will guide future NCD programming for underserved populations in the focus geographies and beyond.

The Global Burden of Chronic Disease

- Chronic NCDs such as diabetes and CVD account for more deaths globally than any other cause and total 75 percent of healthcare costs.
- Worldwide, more than 100,000 people die from an NCD every day.
- A disproportionate toll is taken on those who cannot afford care, cannot physically access care, or have limited knowledge of their condition, their local health care system, or their rights as patients.

Partners

Medtronic Philanthropy

Medtronic is the global leader in medical technology. Medtronic Philanthropy focuses on expanding access to quality chronic disease care among underserved populations worldwide.

Abt Associates

Abt Associates will coordinate HealthRise global and country-level programs. Abt is a mission-driven, global leader in research and program implementation in the fields of health, social and environmental policy, and international development.

The Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME)

IHME will drive HealthRise monitoring and evaluation. IHME is an independent global health research organization at the University of Washington that provides rigorous and comparable measurement of the world’s most important health problems.

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