Joint Statement on Non-Communicable Diseases at 150th session of WHO Executive Board

27 January 2022 – IFPMA and the GSCF support the draft decision on NCDs presented to the 150th Executive Board and strongly encourage concerted efforts to keep NCDs at the top of the global health agenda. Whilst the world has been occupied with tackling the pandemic, COVID-19 has reminded us that those with chronic conditions are the most vulnerable. Weak health systems and the failures to adequately invest in NCD prevention and control are hampering our collective ability to deal with health crises.

We welcome WHO’s continued work on NCDs and believe the private sector has been and remains a necessary partner in addressing the gaps in response to NCDs. We have played our part and will continue working with all stakeholders to build access solutions and contribute towards stronger health systems, with the aim of improving the lives of people living with NCDs.