



### **MSF Statement**

#### **Agenda Item 13.1 – Follow-up to the political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases *78th World Health Assembly, May 2025***

As a medical humanitarian assistance provider in over 70 countries, MSF witnesses a global double standard in noncommunicable disease (NCD) care. Essential NCD medical products and services are unaffordable and unavailable for many people living in low- and middle-income countries, and especially emergency settings.

Ahead of the UN High-level Meeting on NCDs, we urge WHO and Member States to prioritise universal access to NCD care by ambitiously implementing the following:

- Make diabetes and hypertension care universally available by ensuring affordable access to insulin in user-preferred forms and devices and glucose self-monitoring tools, updated treatments, and key diagnostics;
- Ensure people with mental health conditions have access to affordable and effective medicines, especially for psychosis; and
- Support initiatives increasing affordable access to effective HPV vaccination and screening, and cervical cancer treatment.