Impact of policy measures on the situation with diabetes in the KR

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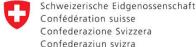






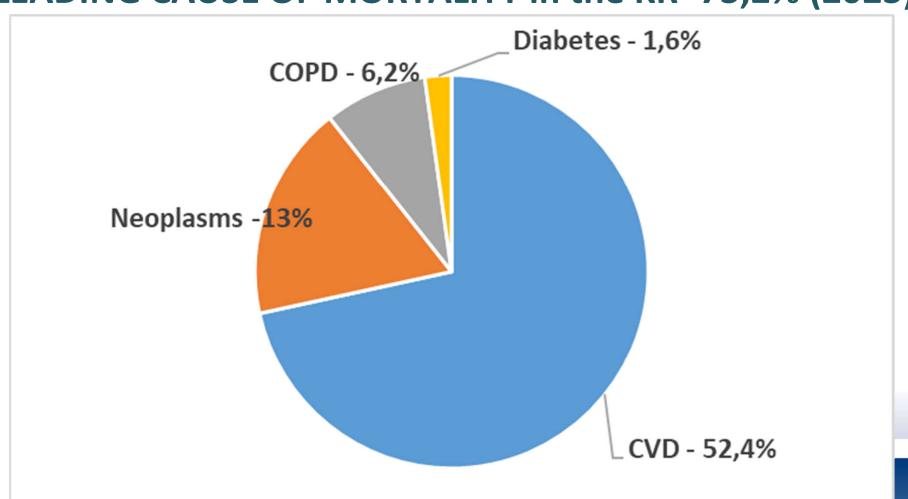






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Political and Legislative Environment

- National Health Programs with focus on NCDs and PHC development
- The KR Government Program on Public Health and Health System Development for 2019-2030 "A Healthy Person is a Prosperous Country"
- Legislation on diabetes is integrated into the general basic Laws of the Kyrgyz Republic: On Public health and Population Health Protection
- The SGBP provides free health care for patients at all healthcare levels (consultation, basic examinations, prevention, screening, inpatient care)
- Interstate Program of the CIS countries on diabetes prevention and treatment for 2021-2025 years
- The EDL previously included only soluble insulin in vials, in September 2024 all analogue insulins by INN have been included outer

Measures to improve access to health services for patients with diabetes in Kyrgyzstan

- Insulin is purchased using the republican budget funds and provided for free; the budget is allocated annually
- Insulin procurement has been transferred to the Kyrgyzpharmacy State Enterprise; since 2023, biosimilars have been purchased and the prices are reduced by approximately 20%.
- Since 2021, Metformin has been included in the Program of reimbursed medicines for the insured (with a discount of about 50%)
- Reimbursement supply of test strips for identifying glucose levels has been increased to 2000 test-strips per year
- A network of state pharmacies has been created



Measures to improve access to treatment for patients with diabetes in Kyrgyzstan

- CG/CP on T1 and T2 diabetes management implemented at the PHC level
- Involvement of nurses in diabetes management – CG and SOP on nursing for diabetes implemented
- Hemodialysis is totally free for patients with diabetes
- Laser therapy for retinopathy started in Kyrgyzstan
- Development of diabetic patient pathways at the PHC level started







Measures to improve NCD and diabetes prevention at the PHC level in Kyrgyzstan

- A large-scale national study (STEPS, 2023) determined the prevalence of hypertension and diabetes and associated risk factors.
- The Package of Basic Interventions on NCDs (PEN Protocols) at the PHC level
- Expanding the functions of nurses in diabetes management (early detection, prevention of complications and patient education)
- Involvement of diabetes associations in patient awareness-raising





Outstanding Challenges

- Studies show higher prevalence rates of diabetes (7%) and hypertension (40%) than officially registered
- There is an annual increase in the number of diabetes complications by 10% of the total number of patients with diabetes
- Lack of human resources locally and lack of motivation, especially in remote regions, there are villages where only nurses work, low wages
- Inadequate social support for people with diabetes (lack of social workers, psychologists)
- Inpatient treatment of late complications remains a financial burden for patients
- No support from the government to development of science and research in diabetes area



Next Steps

- Improve the information system on registration of patients with diabetes and determination of the demand for insulin based on new Diabetes Registry
- Study to develop Insulin Supply Chain Guidelines
- Further monitoring of T1 diabetes CG/CP utilization, revision considering new evidences
- Further increasing roles of nurses in diabetes management and introducing pathways of patients with diabetes
- Support to diabetes associations on patient awareness and engagement of young people with diabetes







Thank you for your attention!

