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For more information, please visit NCDA's [resources page](#) [2], and our page of [calls to action from the NCD civil society movement](#) [3] in response to this new pandemic.

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