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2. Promote a multi-sectoral approach in the implementation of NTD program goals that improves national coordination, facilitates partner collaboration, and improves the management of technical and financial contributions,
3. Ensure the adoption of both long-range strategic and annual implementation plans which are grounded by appropriate goals and detailed costs that drive and support NTD programs to achieve global targets,
4. Report and use program data in a timely fashion to follow progress against program goals and to inform program planning and execution,
5. Ensure that the implementation of NTD programs contribute to the strengthening the overall health system and vice versa.

As we move toward 2020, we promise to maximize the use our voices and our offices to enact these commitments and continue our leadership roles in making the world a healthier place where families and communities can thrive. In addition, we will continue to welcome the support endemic countries have received through the World Health Organization which provides guidelines and technical support via the WHO NTD Roadmap to control, eliminate and eradicate up to 17 NTDs. We also acknowledge the continued support and engagement provided by donors and the international community.

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