

## World Federation of Hemophilia Statement

Agenda Item:

1-Session 4 14.30-15.30 Regional flagship initiative 1: Expanding equitable access to medical products (EM/RC71/A)

WFH welcomes the progress made towards expanding equitable access to medical products, improving national procurement and supply systems, as well as the implementation of the political declaration on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases (NCDs).

As the leading global organization dedicated to improving the lives of people with hemophilia and other bleeding disorders, WFH stresses the importance of integrating bleeding disorders into milestones targeting equitable access as well as NCD, UHC and primary care national plans.

The majority of people with hemophilia, von Willebrand Disease and other bleeding disorders continue to face significant health inequities, including under diagnosis and disparities in access to treatment intraregionally as well as across regions and genders. While a wide range of safe and effective therapies exist, they remain out of reach for over 70% of patients worldwide.

The WFH calls for a member state-driven initiative to adopt a WHA resolution, which would enable coordinated global framework to improve equitable access to treatment and care for people living with hemophilia and other bleeding disorders worldwide. The WFH specifically urges the WHO EMRO and its Member States to propose a discussion on hemophilia and other bleeding disorders under the agenda item 7 on the follow-up on the political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of NCDs planned at the 156<sup>th</sup> session of the WHO EB in February 2025.