

Side event

67th Session of the United Nations

Commission on Narcotic Drugs



Invitation

Failure is Not an Option: Calling Upon the Global Community to Reignite Effective Collaborative Responses to the 2022 WHO-UN-INCB Joint Call to Action

Access & Availability to essential controlled medicines is critical for the relief of pain and suffering, especially for patients with cancer, children facing life-threatening illness, and other vulnerable populations. Nearly 86% of the global population has little or no access to pain relief and palliative care. The **2022 WHO-UN-INCB Joint Call to Action was monumental** in its focus and in **leading global entities uniting for this common cause** to address massive inequities and suffering globally.

This side event will catalyze current movements, spark new strategies for impact, reignite commitments, and galvanize efforts because ***Failure is not an option.***

Please join us: In-person at CND/VIC M-Bldg Room M2 **OR** online via the links below:



Friday, 22 March 2024
13:00 – 13:50 CET



United Nations - Vienna International Center
M Building, Room M2



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