

23 July 2018, Libya – WHO has delivered one basic noncommunicable disease (NCD) kit of module 1b that comprises cold chain medicines to the medical supply office in Albaida in the east of Libya.

Funded by the Central Emergency Response Fund, the complete NCD kit is enough to cover 10 000 patients for a duration of 3 months.

The kit provides essential medicines and medical devices for the management of hypertension and cardiac conditions, diabetes and endocrine conditions, chronic respiratory diseases, mental health and neurological conditions. Furthermore, the kit provides additional products that need cold chain, such as insulin, accompanied with treatment guidelines.

"WHO's emergency kit for noncommunicable diseases plays a key role in saving the lives of patients with chronic diseases in Libya. The needs are still immense and the hospitals are in need for supplementary essential medicines, diagnostic equipment and other resources," said Dr Jaffar Hussain, WHO Representative to Libya.

The donation of this NCD kit is a follow up of another donation of 5 kits that were delivered to Sabha, southern Libya, on 19 March in order to cover 50 000 chronically ill patients for a period of 3 months.

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