## **Preventing and Managing Diseases Pay Huge Dividends**

On Monday, the Chamber's Global Initiative on Health and the Economy (GIHE) joined the Concordia Annual Summit to launch a new report, <u>Increasing Social and Economic Benefits</u> Globally: Rates of Return on Health Investments.

**Key takeaway**: Investments to prevent and manage non-communicable diseases (NCDs) pay huge dividends. On average, the 27 countries studied would see \$22 in productivity gains and lives saved for every \$1 invested in anxiety disorders and depression interventions, and \$20 for cardiovascular disease and diabetes interventions.

Chamber Executive Vice President and Head of International Affairs Myron Brilliant also hosted a conversation at the summit with Dr. Michelle Williams, Dean of Faculty at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and Dr. Muhammad Ali Pate, Global Director of the World Bank Group.

The health experts agree: Governments need to develop smart partnerships with the private sector to boost investments in health infrastructure. That will help build systems that are more effective and equitable in managing NCDs, as well as diseases like COVID-19.

**Dig deeper:** Learn more about GIHE's work to <u>champion smart public policy in healthcare</u> and stay tuned for a series of four country-specific reports this fall.

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