

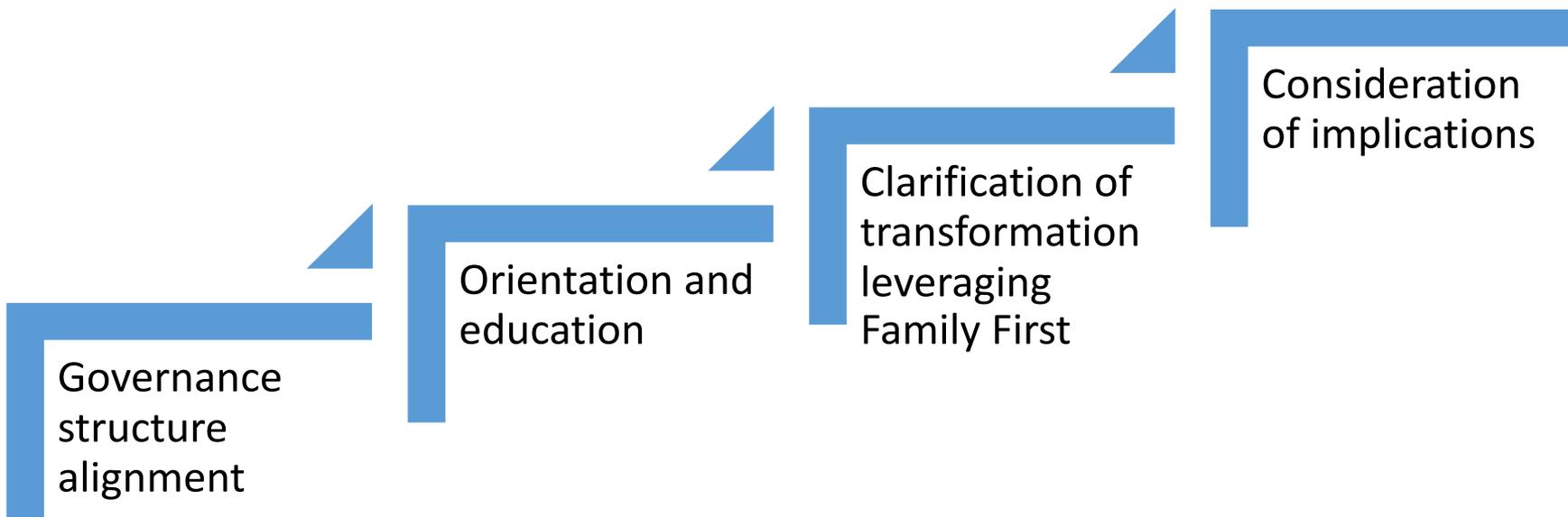
Family First Prevention Services Act of 2018: Transforming Maryland for Children and Families

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DHS/SSA Planning to Implement Family First: Initial Steps

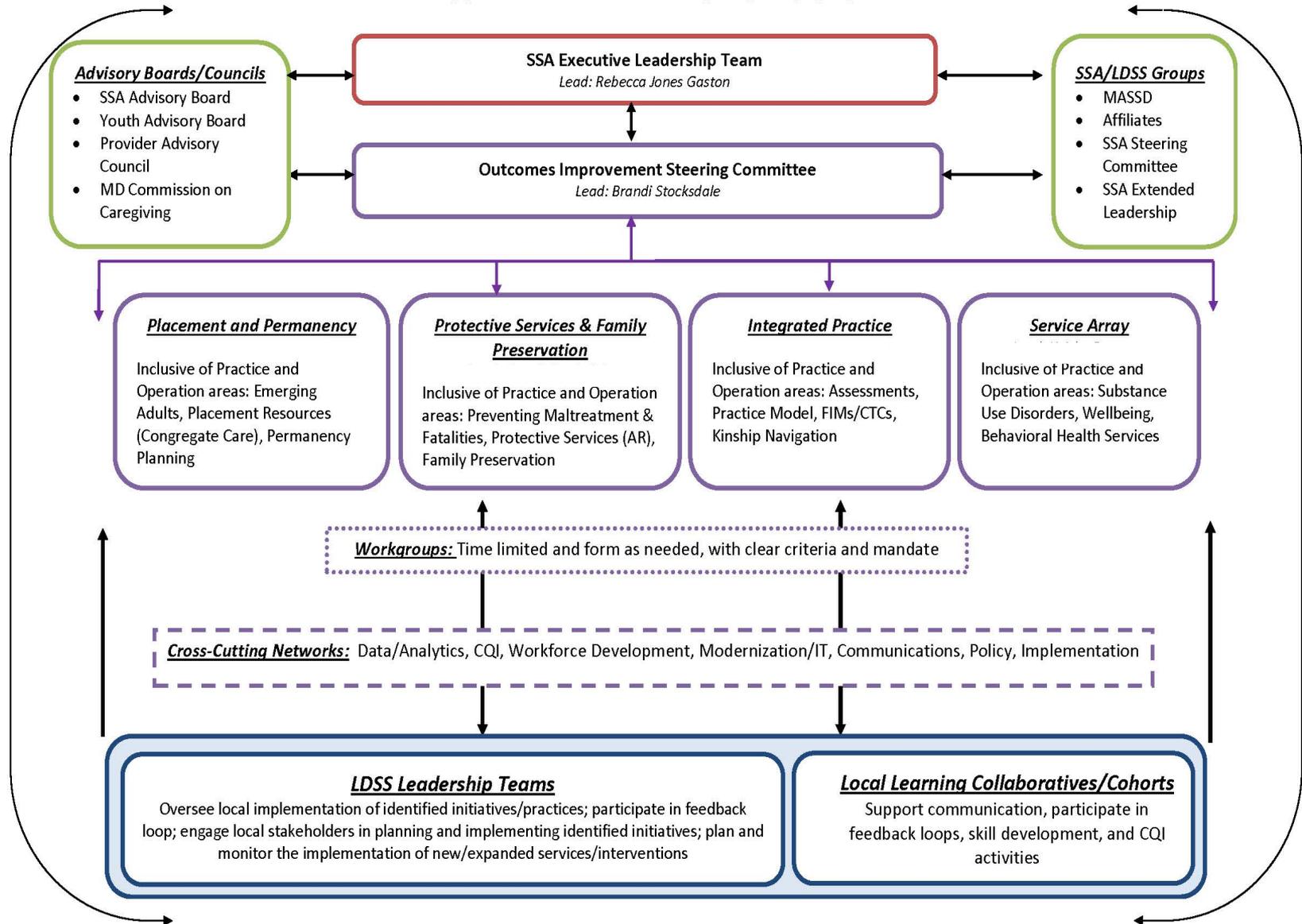


Framework for Assessment, Planning, Readiness: Domains of Inquiry

Transformation Framework



SSA IMPLEMENTATION STRUCTURE



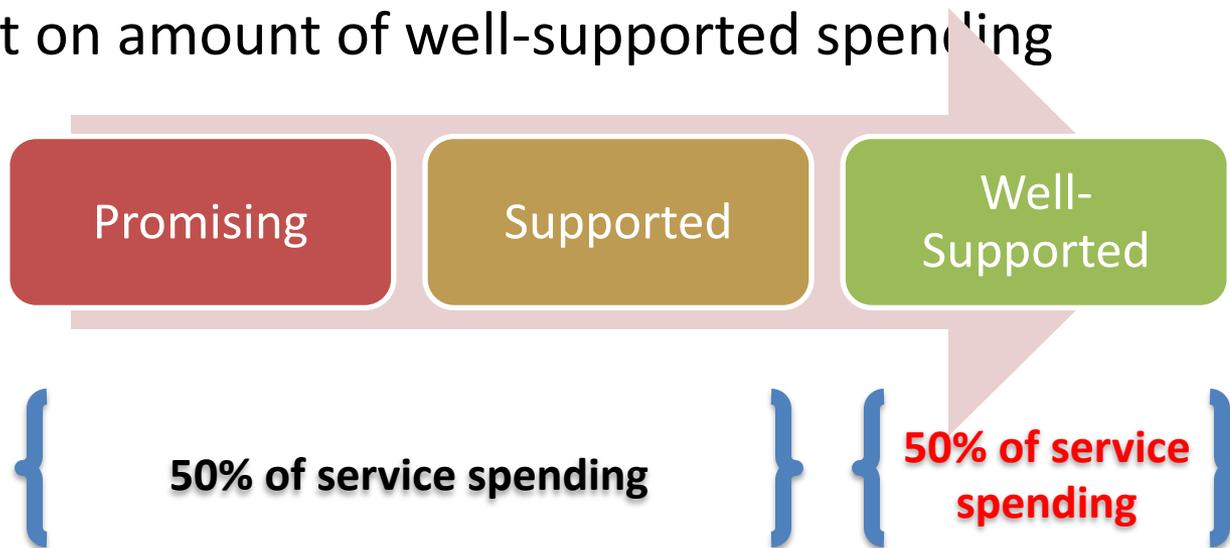
Major provisions: Prevention

October 1, 2019: States gain the option to use federal title IV-E funding for prevention services for “candidate” children at imminent risk of foster care entry, their parents and/or kin caregivers.

- Prevention services for pregnant and parenting teens in foster care
- 3 categories of prevention services:
 - 1) *In-home, skill-based parenting programs*
 - 2) *Substance abuse treatment and prevention*
 - 3) *Mental health treatment*
- All prevention services must be provided within a trauma-informed organizational structure and treatment framework.

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- Levels of evidence for the prevention programs:
- Dependent on amount of well-supported spending

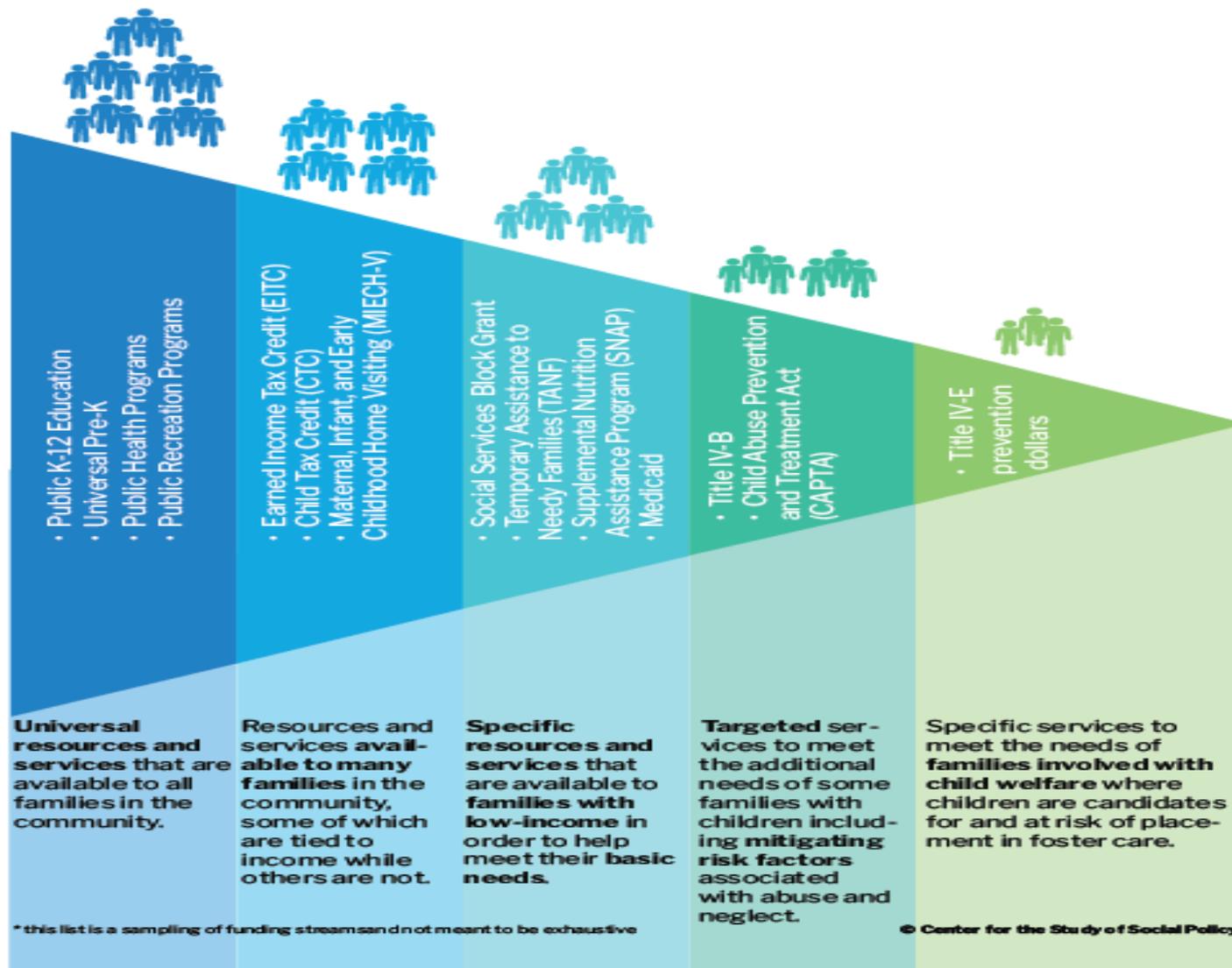


- HHS published first round of services and their level of evidence via Clearinghouse. More to come.



Figure 1. Populations who could be eligible for and ultimately receive Family First services.

Financing Streams to Support Prevention Programs for Families *



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Considerations for today...

- Transitioning from IV-E Waiver to FFPSA - Use Family First as a tool for transforming child welfare
- Start with transformational vision first
- Strengthen collaboration CW, Medicaid and Health Department (RE: data-sharing; services, authorizations, etc.)
- Embed the vision and transformation agenda into all agency and system operations
- Create and strengthen broad partnerships around a vision for children and families
- How do states and agencies best braid funding to prevent poor outcomes?
- Set priorities – strategies and outcomes - to guide the transformation

Discussion / Questions?

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