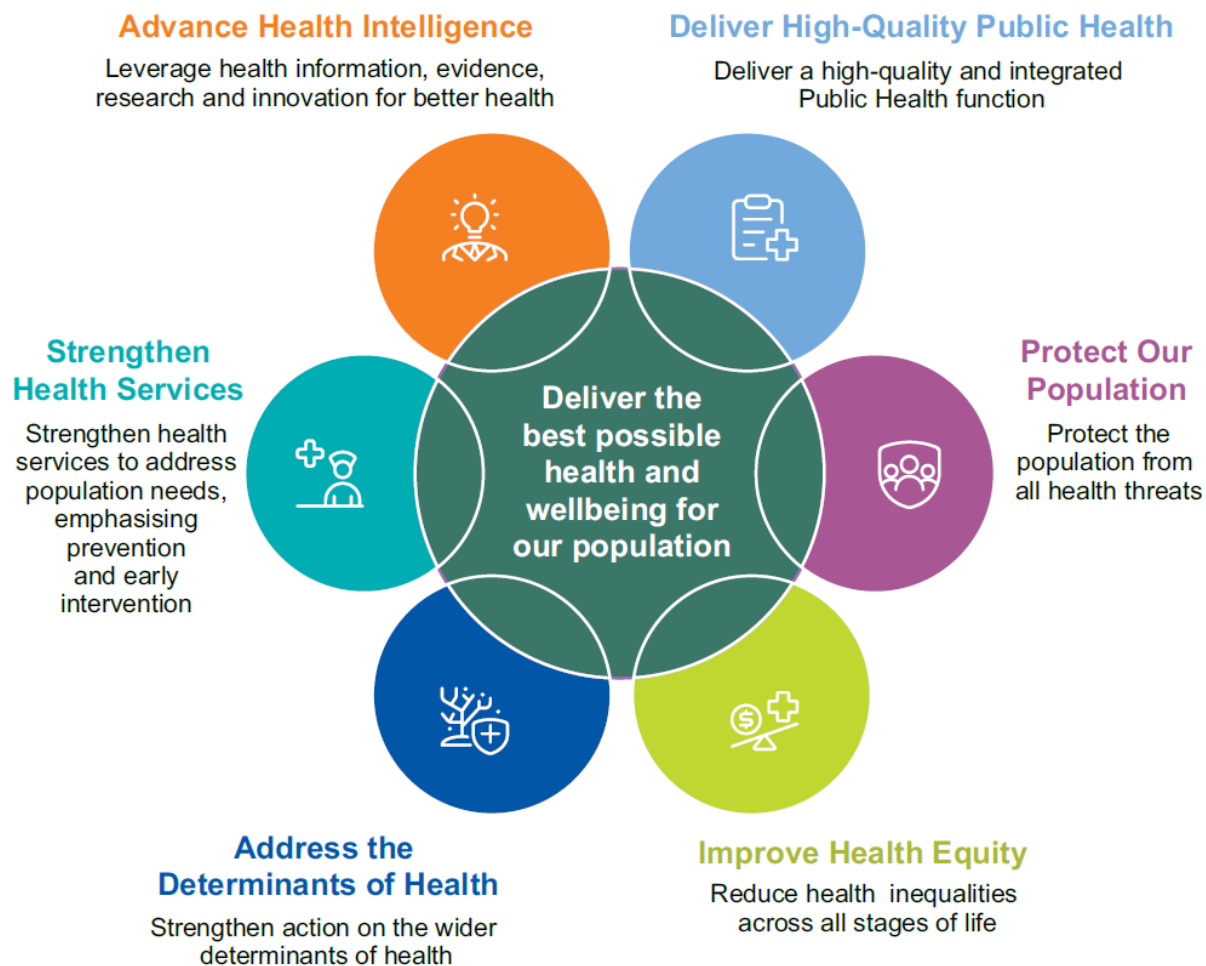
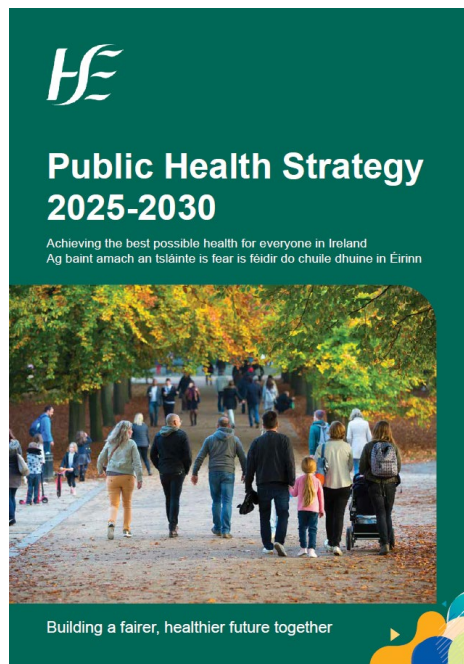




The Strategy – Our Vision for 2025-2030





Deliver a high quality and integrated Public Health function



Ensure an integrated, agile, proactive and responsive Public Health function, aligned to the HSE strategic direction and Government policy direction

Strengthen the planning, coordination, prioritisation, and delivery of public health activities regionally and nationally, supported by strategic HSE leadership

Support the education, development and wellbeing of the current and future multidisciplinary Public Health workforce and partners

Develop a sustainable and resilient multidisciplinary HSE Public Health workforce

Enhance public health and health system resilience by continuously identifying and embedding learning from previous and current national and international experiences, such as from the COVID-19 pandemic, international conflict, climate change and negative impacts of social media

Develop global partnerships for mutual learning and collaboration to better address public health priorities in Ireland and contribute to global health goals



Reduce health inequalities across all stages of life

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Ensure that equity is a core principle for the HSE

Collaborate with partners across sectors to improve metrics for assessing, addressing, and reporting on health inequity

Work in partnership with key internal and external stakeholders, including influencing legislation and government policy, to reduce health inequalities and improve health equity

Develop and use evidence-informed policies and practices to improve health equity across the life course



Strengthen action on the wider determinants of health

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Enable better social, environmental, economic, educational and commercial conditions in which people are born, grow, live, learn, work and age, supporting healthy environments and communities

Enable every child and young person to have the best start in life and to build a foundation for lifelong health and wellbeing

Promote physical and mental health and wellbeing, and enable everyone across all communities and settings to adopt and sustain healthy behaviours

Focus on addressing or mitigating the influence of commercial determinants and emerging health threats which adversely impact on health behaviours

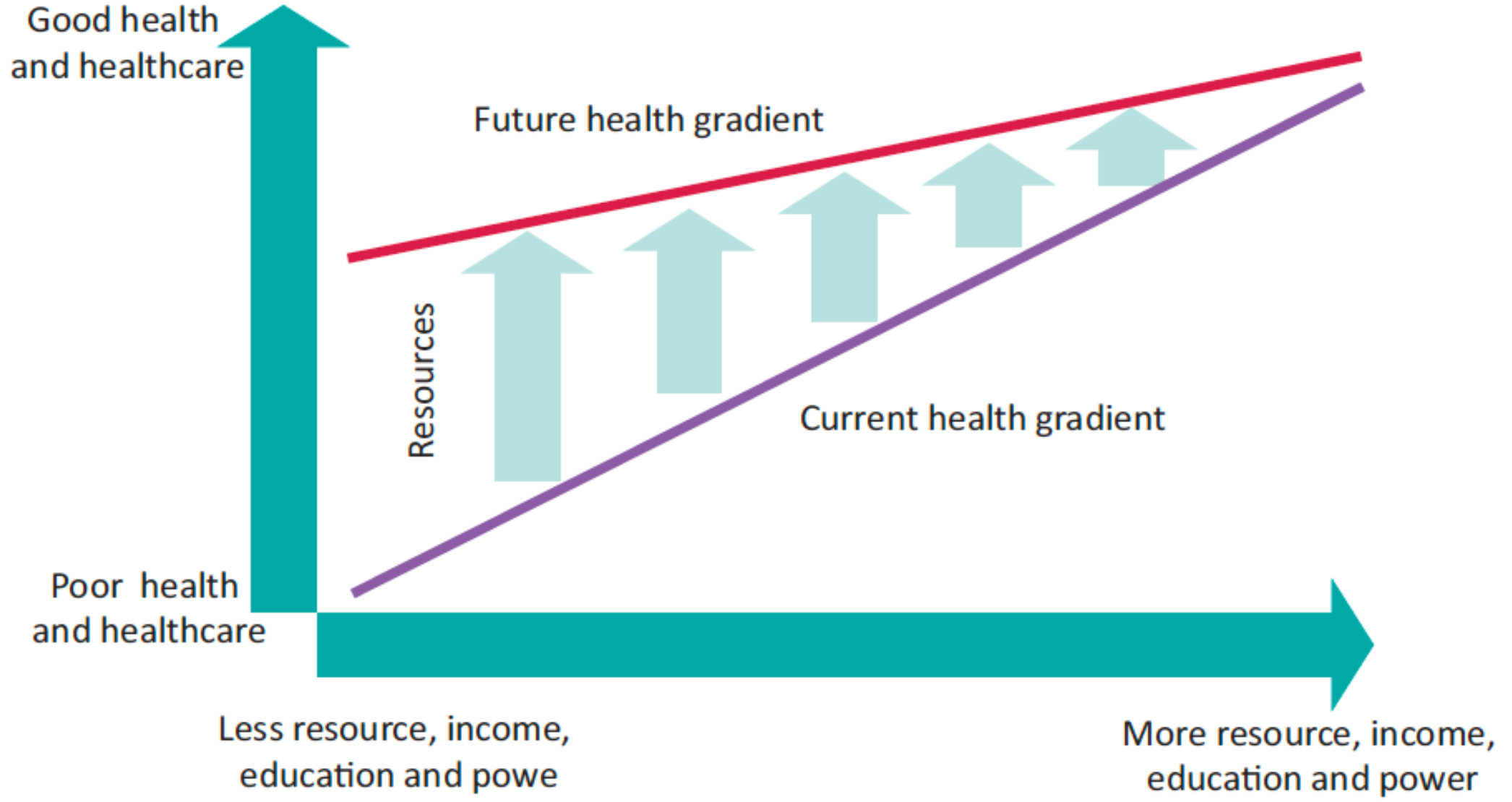
Promote healthy ageing through evidence-informed public health interventions that prevent age-related chronic diseases, promote healthy behaviours, and support age-friendly environments

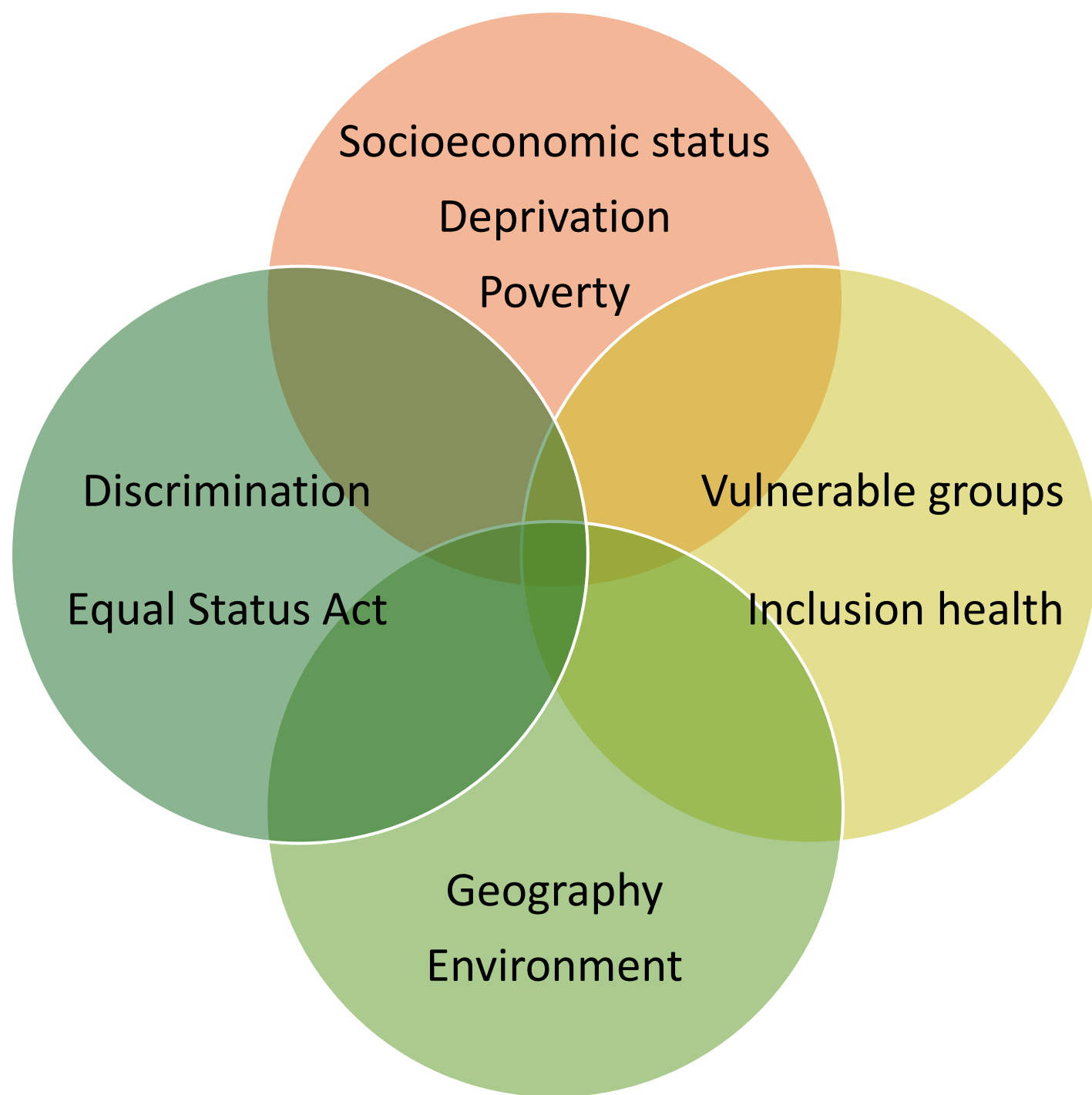


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Health Inequalities Position Paper 2025

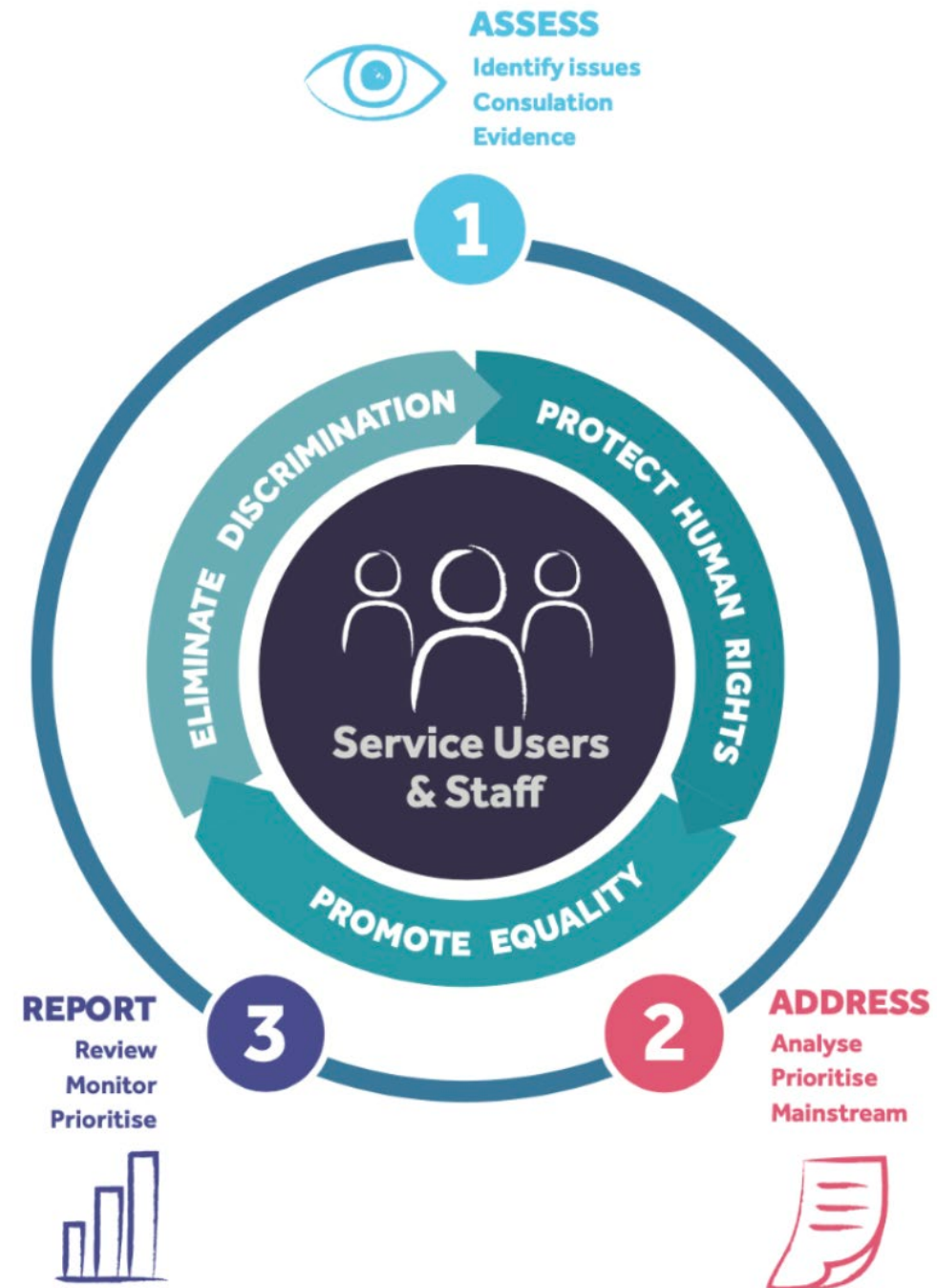




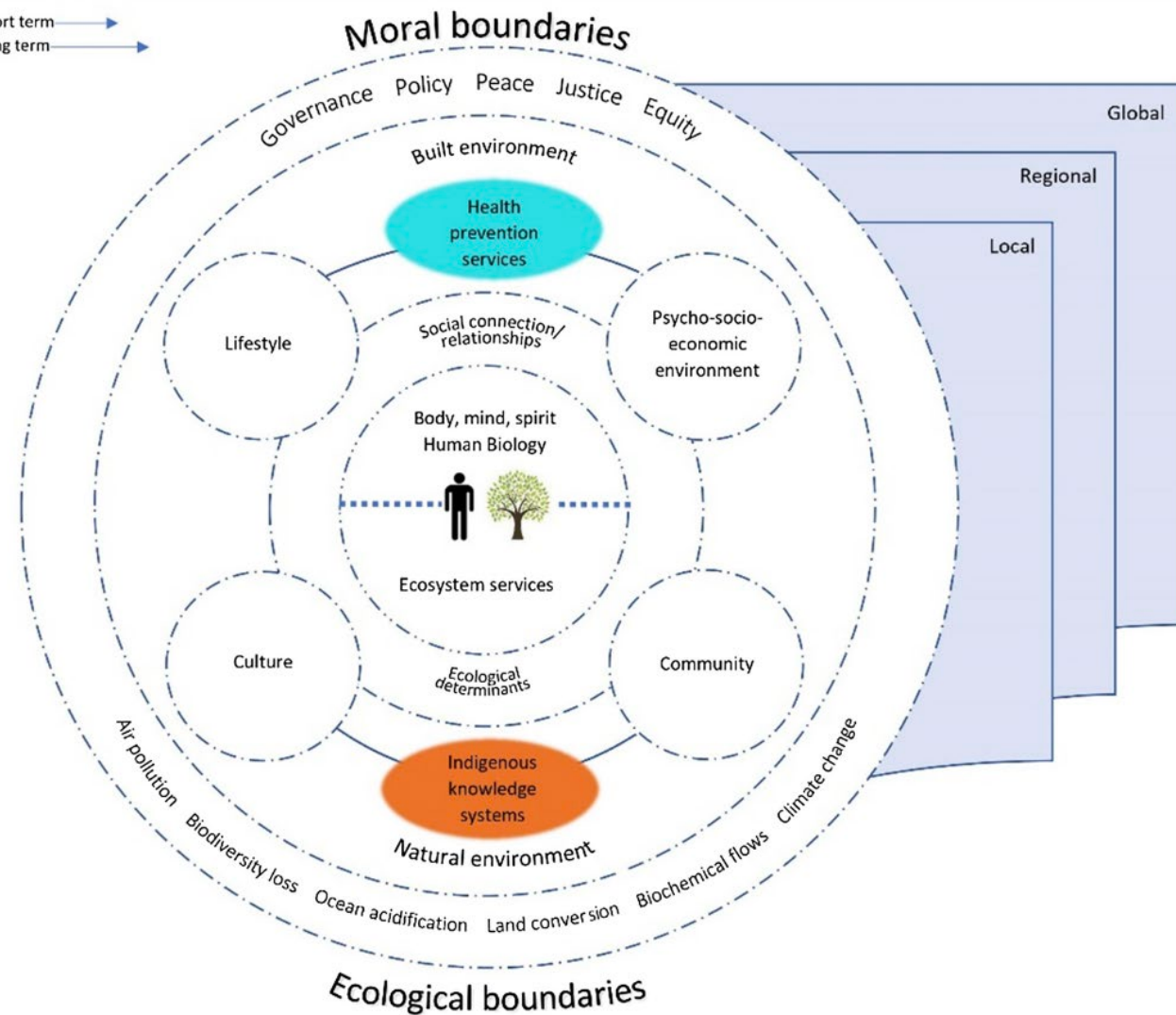
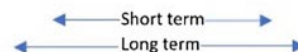
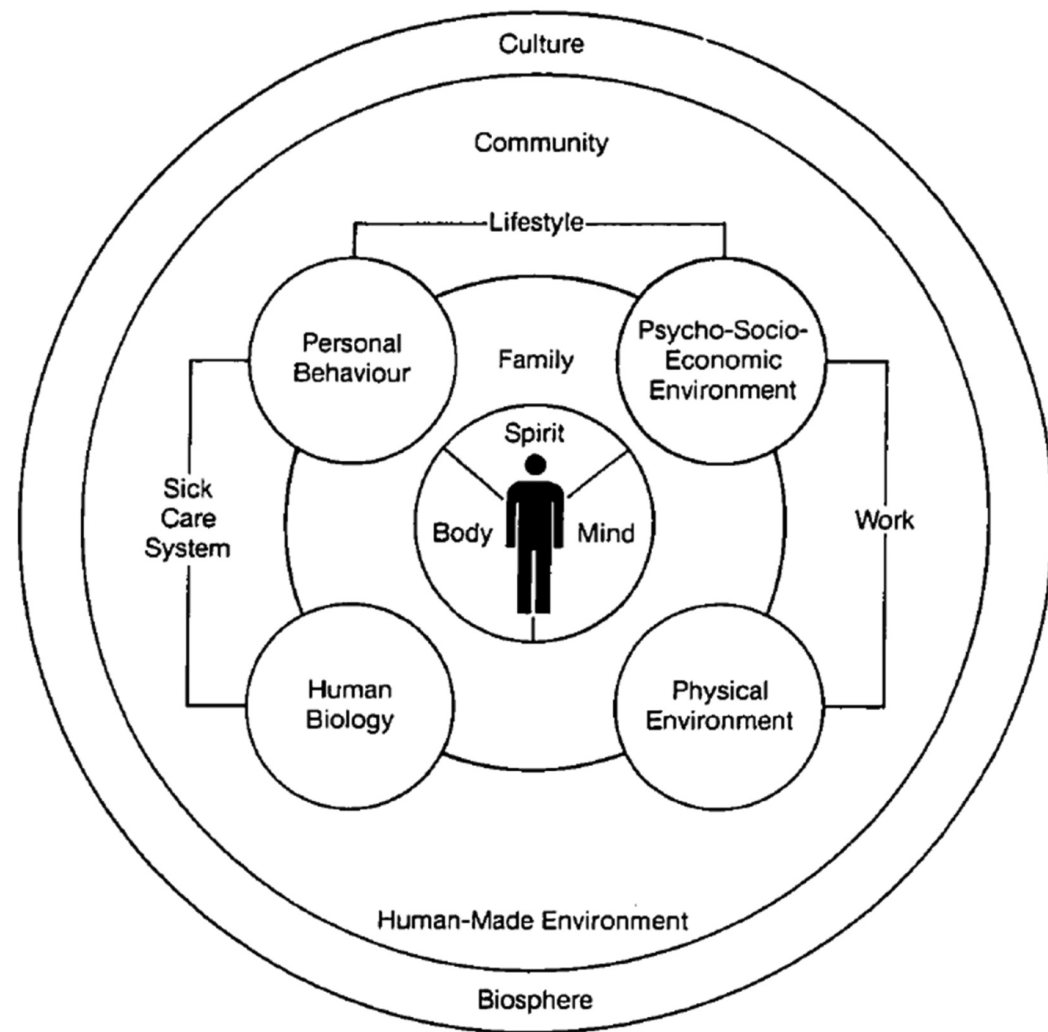


Public Sector Equality and Human Rights Duty

Section 42, Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission Act 2014





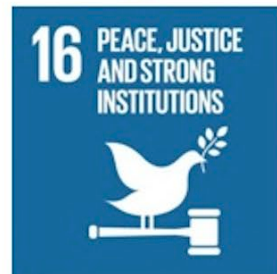




Foundational determinants of health



'Upstream' social determinants



Highest priority, 'downstream' determinants



Health and wellbeing outcomes



Conditions



Health & Health
Services



Health & Income
Security and Social
Protection



Health & Living
Conditions

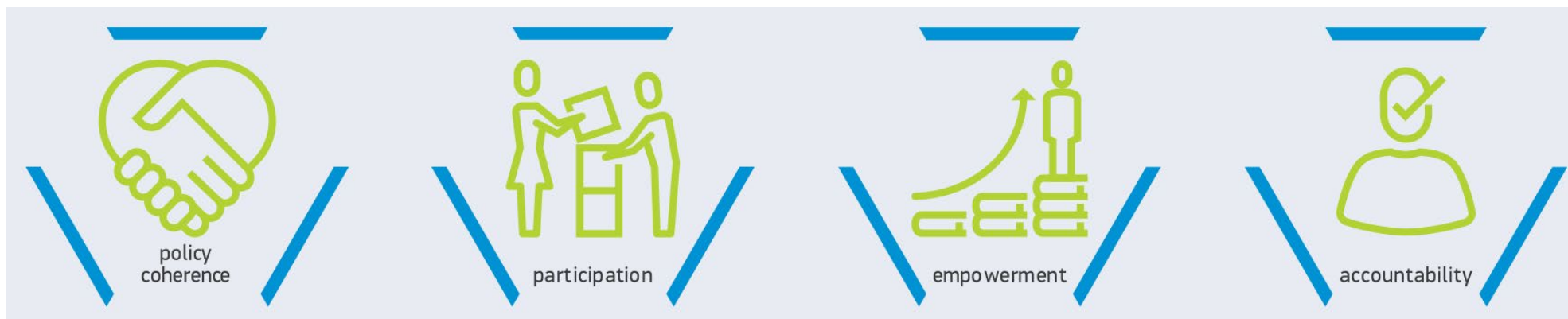


Health & Social and
Human Capital



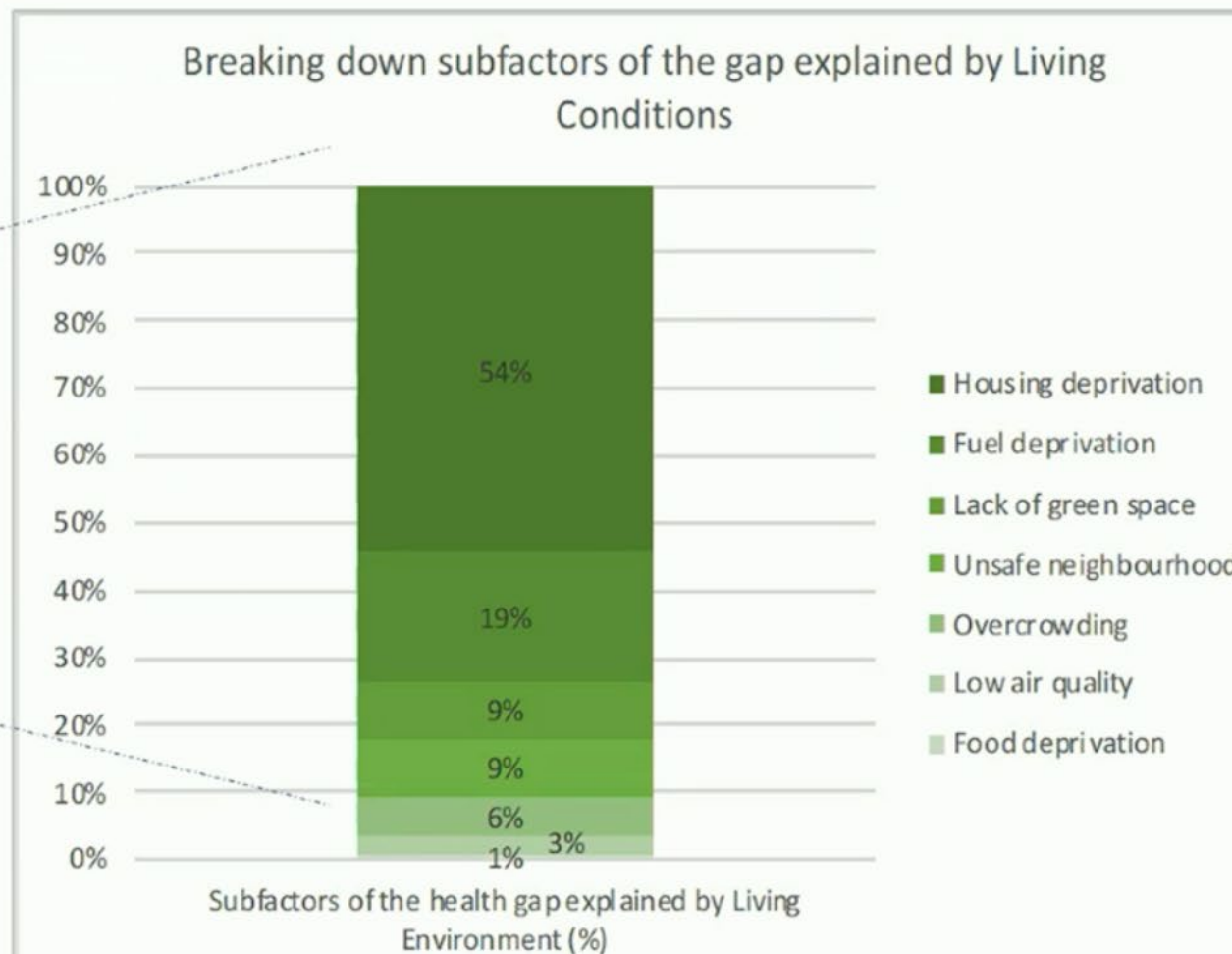
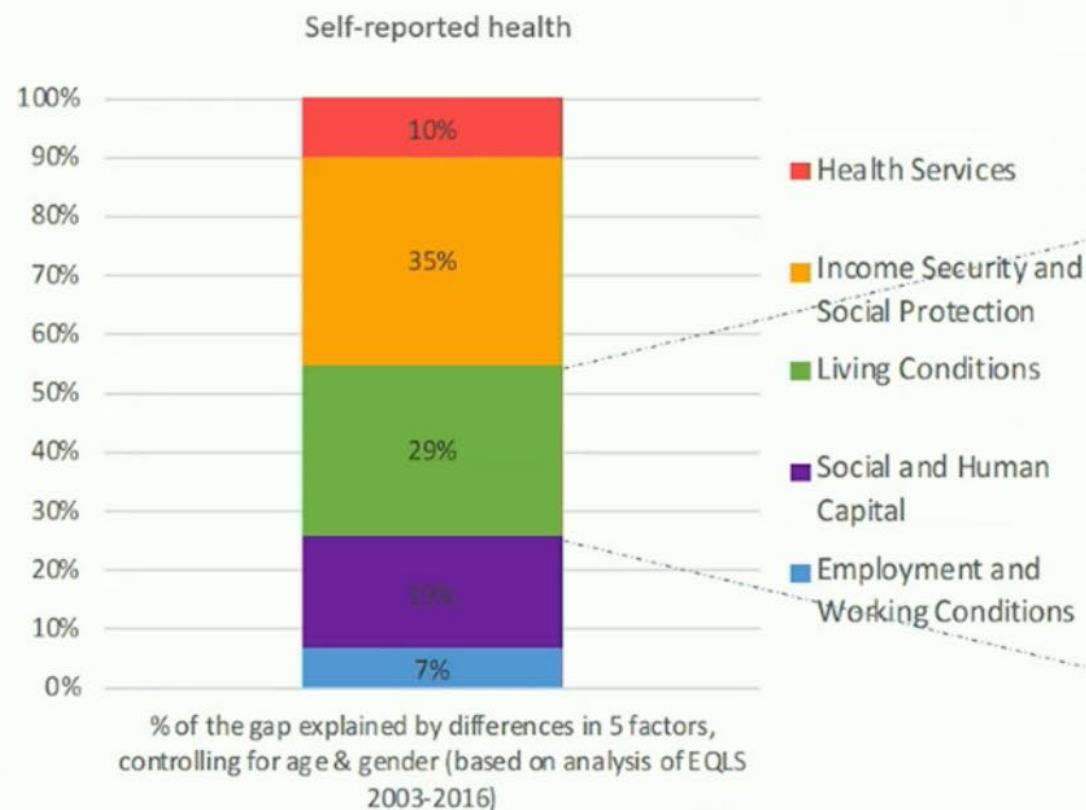
Health & Employment
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Drivers

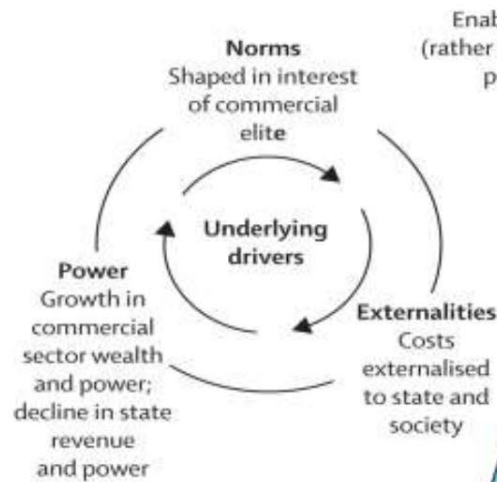


The relative influence of different factors in explaining equity/ inequity

Differences in quality of living conditions contributes to 29% of the gap in health between top and bottom income quintiles for men & women within European countries

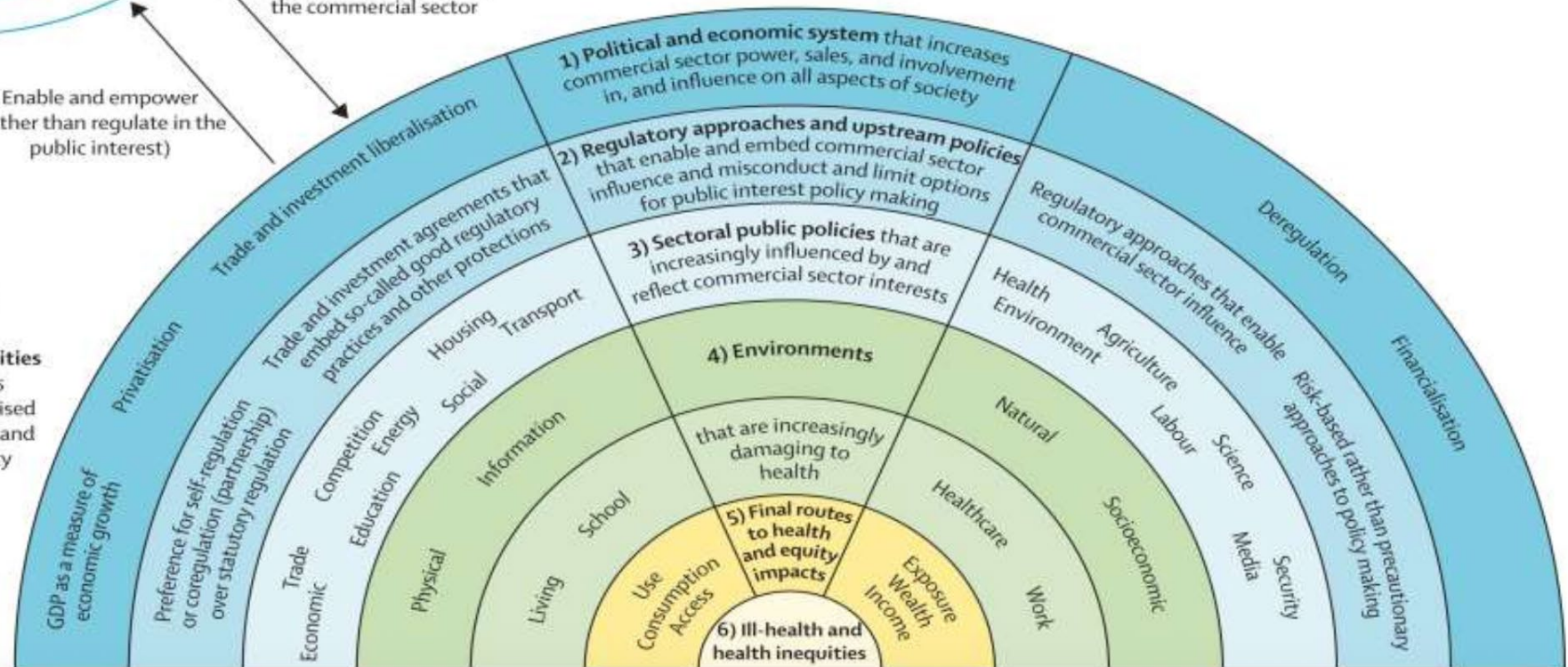


Bring a focus on the negative commercial determinants impacts through the social determinants



Shape in the interests of the commercial sector

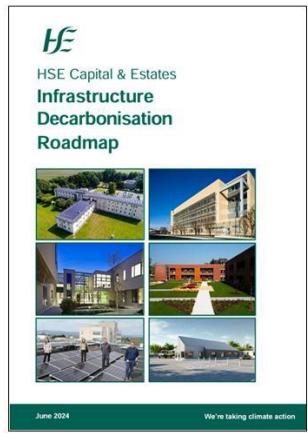
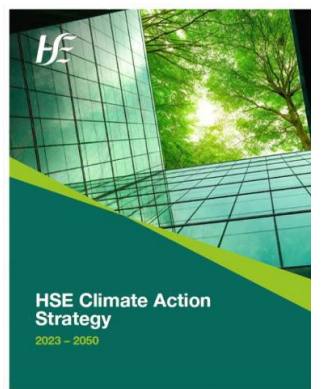
Enable and empower (rather than regulate in the public interest)





HSE climate and sustainability

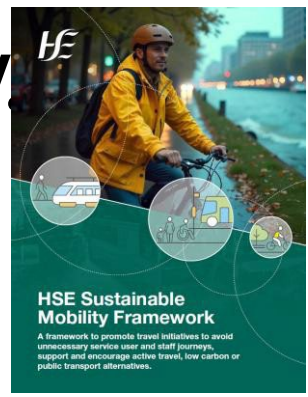
Publication of
HSE Climate
Action Strategy
Mid 2023



Publication of HSE
Infrastructure
Decarbonisation
Roadmap



On-going staff
communication
campaign

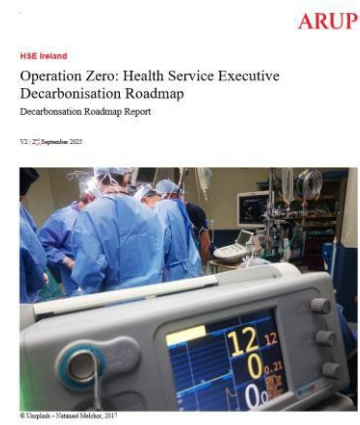


Publication of 7
frameworks

Development of
training modules for
HSELand

hseland.ie

Regional Green Team Guidance



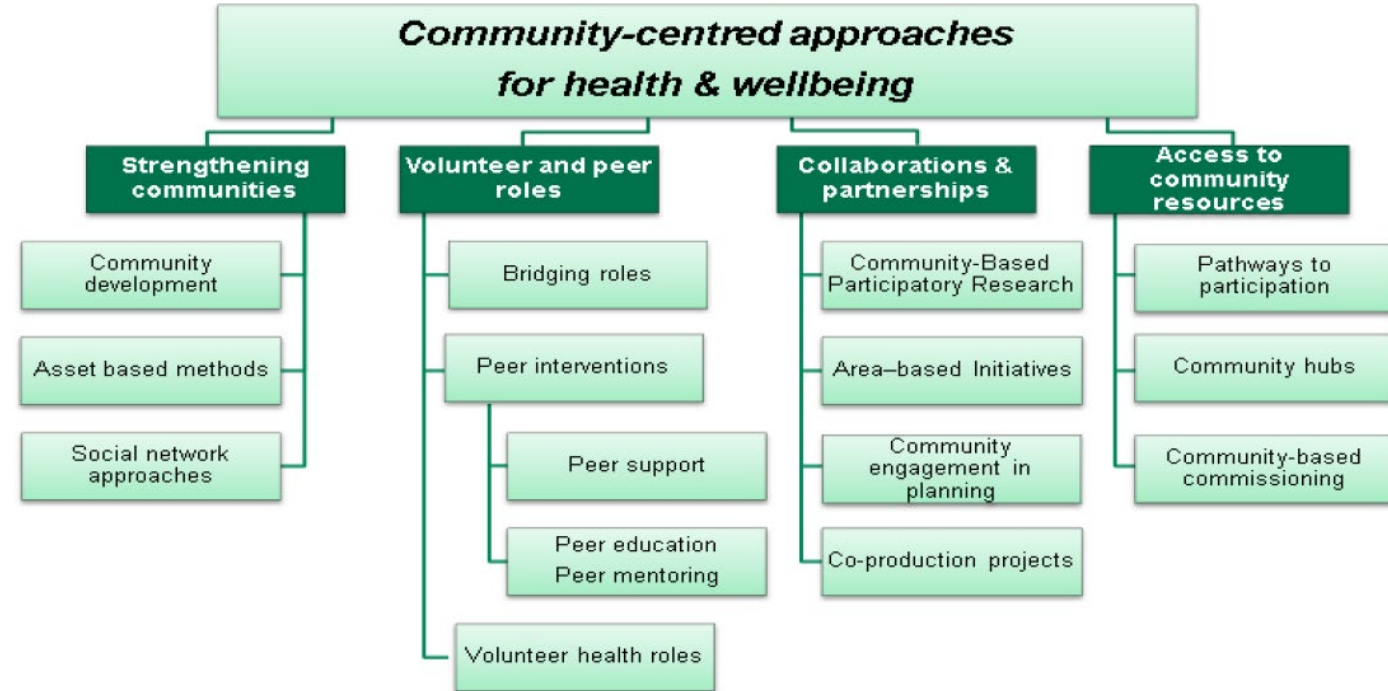
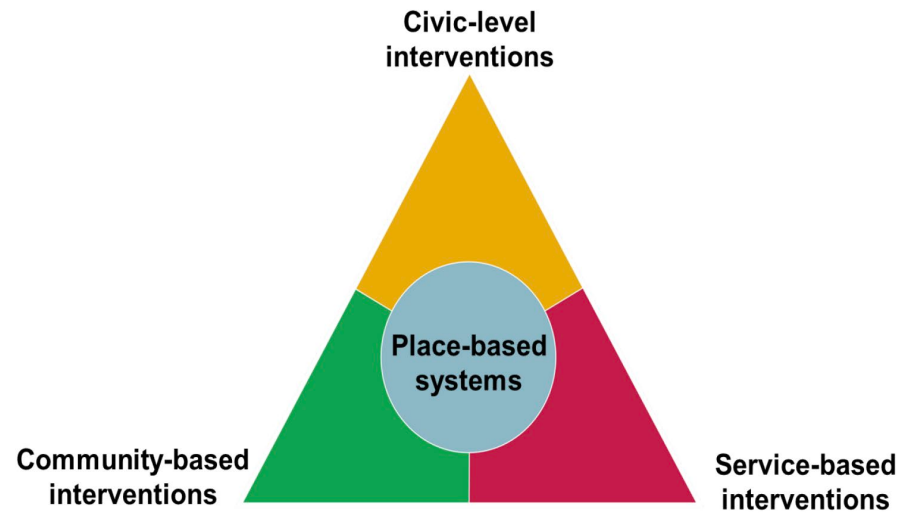
Publication of emissions baseline
and decarbonisation roadmap for
scope 3 –

HSE Completed guidance and recommendations for action





Place based approaches





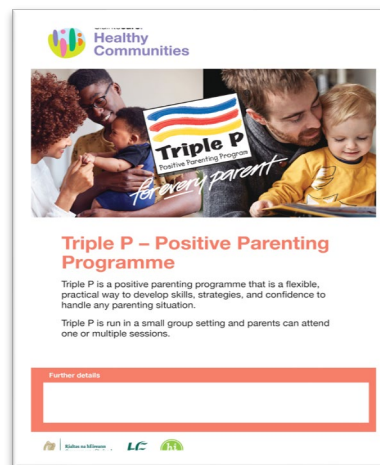
Sláintecare Healthy Communities



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**Healthy
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HSE Social Prescribing Framework

Mainstreaming social prescribing
in partnership with community &
voluntary organisations.



Community Food & Nutrition Worker

Partnership working

- 24 Sláintecare Healthy Communities
- 40+ local community partners delivering services with HSE support
- We Can Quit, Healthy Food Made Easy, Parenting programmes, SHC Social Prescribing Link Workers, Community Food & Nutrition Workers
- Local Authority Local Development Officers (LDOs) in each area focus on wider determinants of health – community enhancement fund €250,000 per area

Welcome to **Healthy Ireland Cities & Counties**

The Healthy Ireland Cities & Counties Programme is a Department of Health funded initiative located within Local Government as per the Healthy Ireland Outcomes Framework.

This Framework aims to bring a concerted focus on life-long wellbeing, prevention of illness and the reduction of health inequities and more specifically to highlight the role and responsibility that local government has in enhancing community wellbeing.

- [HICC Areas](#)
- [Healthy Ireland Fund \(HIF\)](#)
- [Related Case Studies](#)
- [Related News](#)

Welcome to **Sláintecare Healthy Communities**

The Sláintecare Healthy Communities (SHC) Programme is a Healthy Ireland initiative which is part of the Sláintecare health reform agenda and was developed to improve health outcomes in 19 community areas across Ireland where health inequalities are most evident.

- [SHCP Areas](#)
- [What Local Government can do](#)
- [Related News](#)



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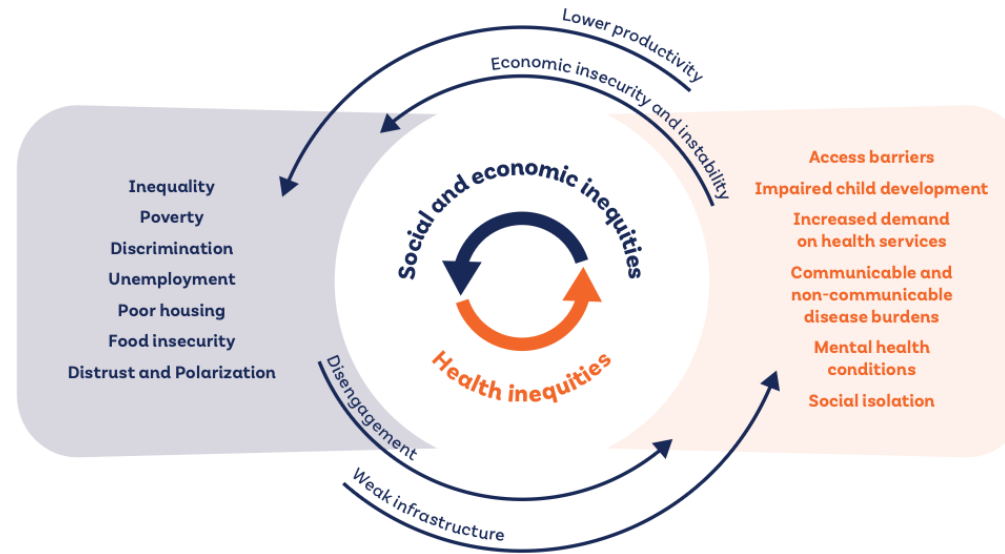


Community engagement: improving health and wellbeing and reducing health inequalities

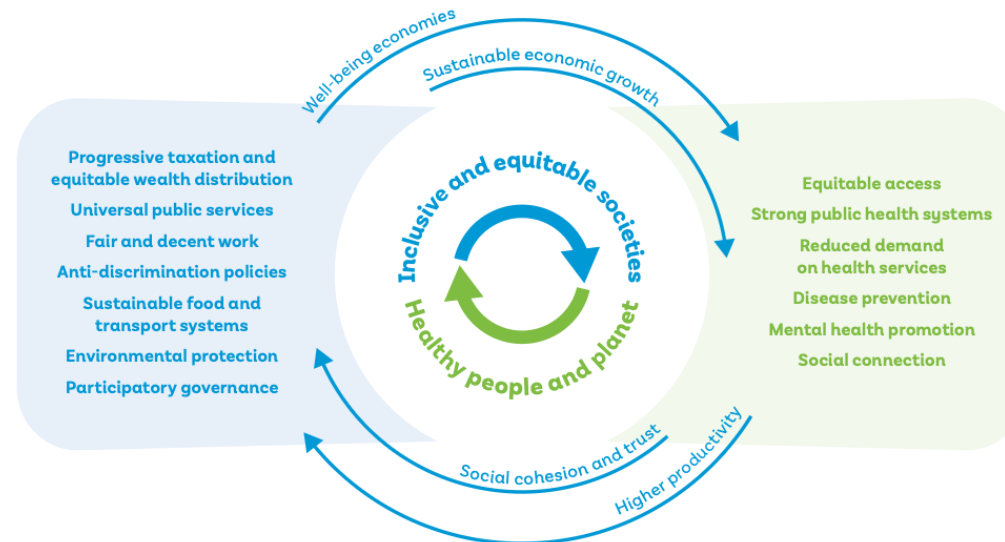
NICE guideline
Published: 4 March 2016
www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng44

	COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	SOCIAL PARTICIPATION
Emphasis	Practical solutions and community well-being; collaboration between various actors (government, NGOs, community)	Emancipation, critical awareness, and social transformation
Participation Level	Can vary from consultation to full community control over decisions; focus on collaboration	Active, political, and dialogical participation; focus on autonomy and empowerment of the oppressed
Final Objective	Improvement of living conditions, resolution of local issues, strengthening of social capital	Political and social transformation; creation of a fairer and less oppressive society
Political Nature	Not always explicit, can be more pragmatic and oriented towards well-being	Highly political and critical; participation is an act of liberation
Method	Partnerships between institutions and the community, consultation, trust-building	Liberating education, critical dialogue, awareness, and transformative action

VICIOUS CYCLE

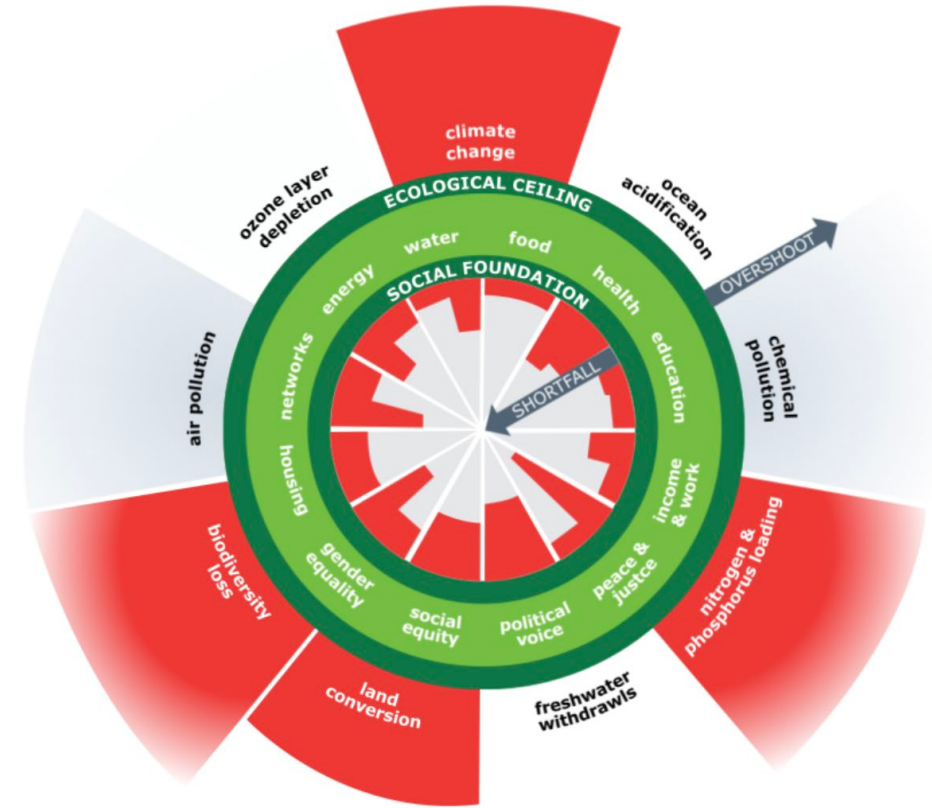


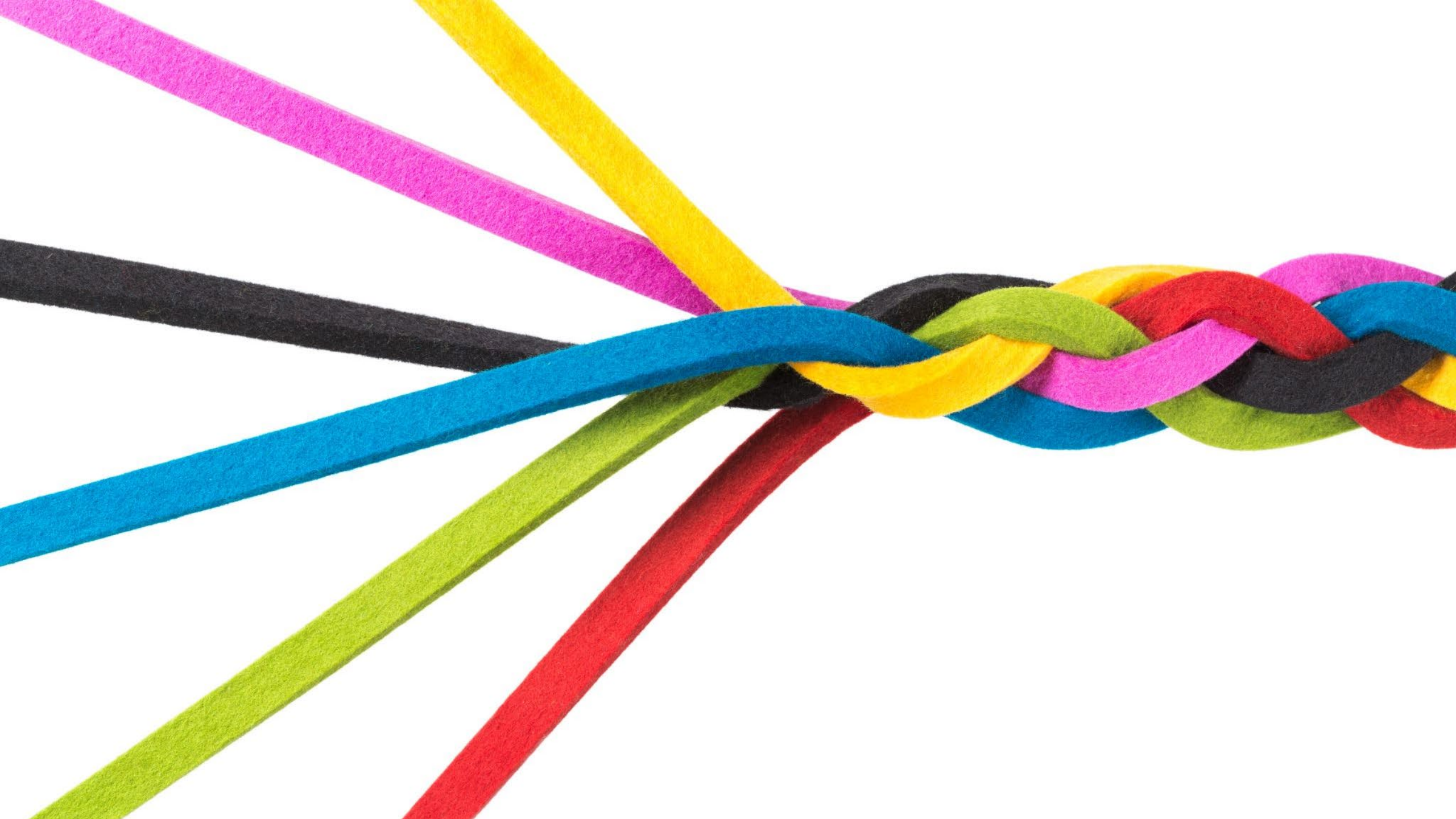
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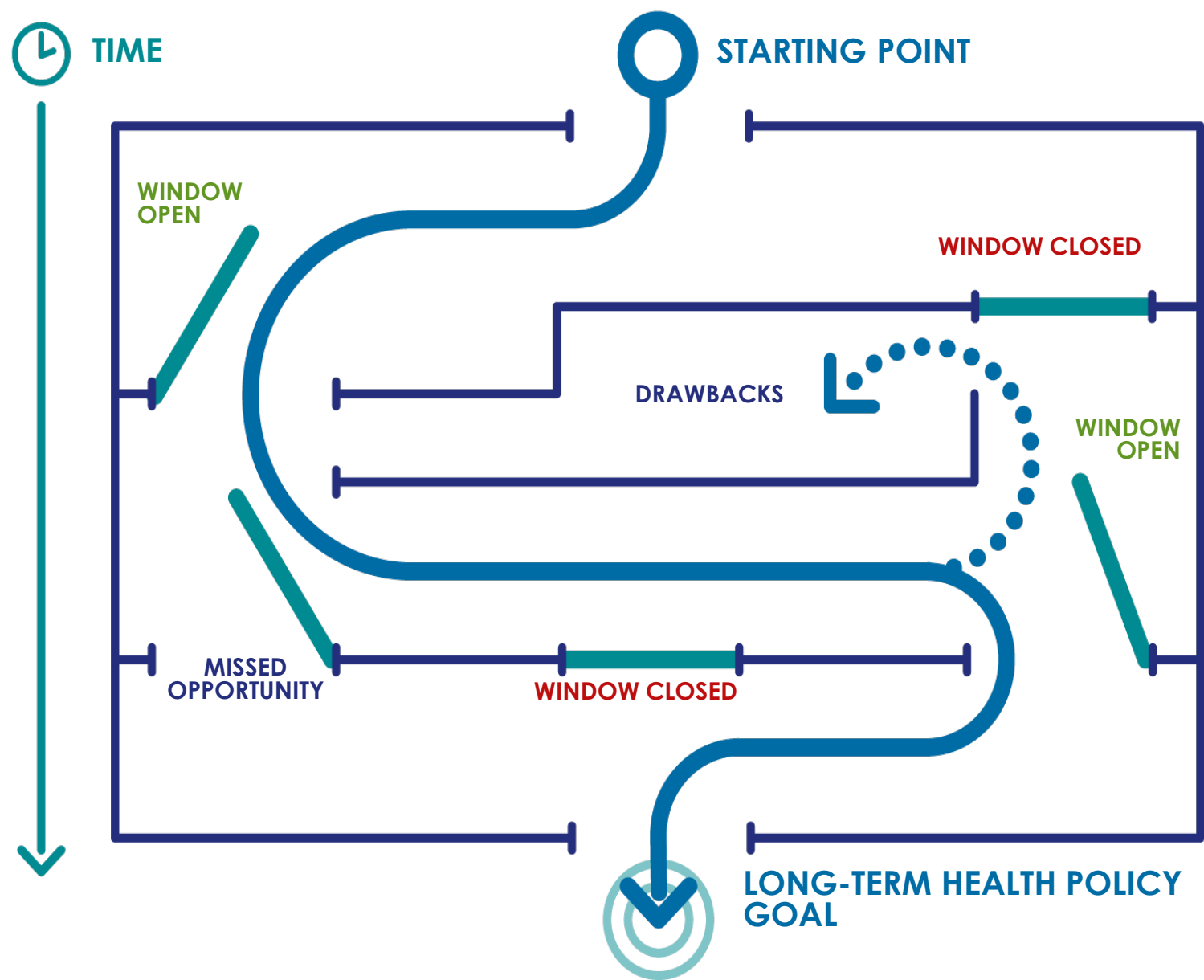


Opportunities - Syndemic?

- Aggregation of epidemics
 - Synergistic concentration, interaction
- Context: poverty, inequity, ill-health, environment
 - Post pandemic
 - War
 - Population movement
 - Climate
 - Mis-dis-mal-information







“Windows of opportunity” in policy formulation and implementation

Source: Leppo K et al. (2013) *Health in All Policies: Seizing Opportunities, Implementing Policies*.
Finland, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, p. 19.



Nothing about us
without us

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NO ONE
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