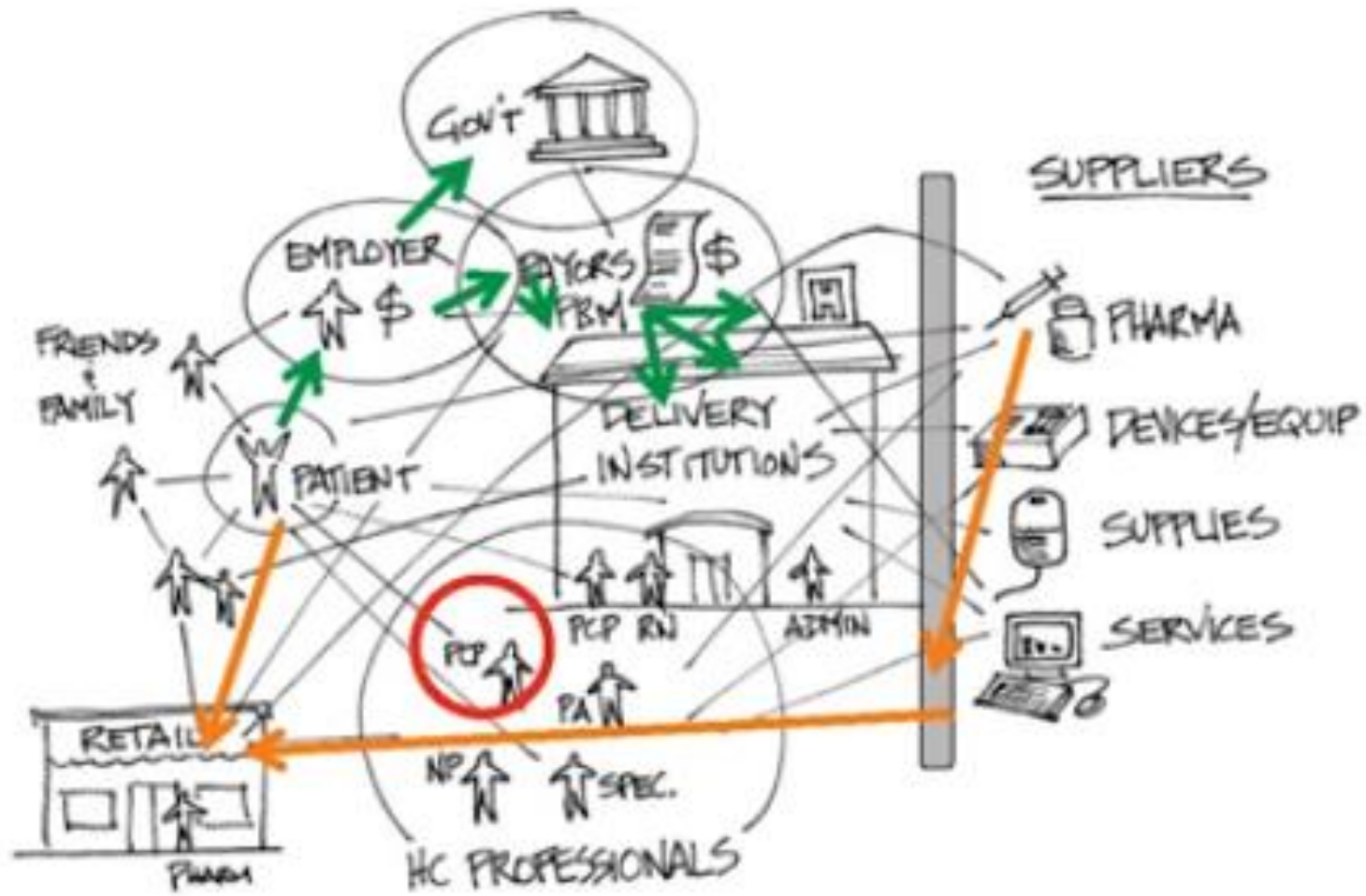


# Guiding Principles

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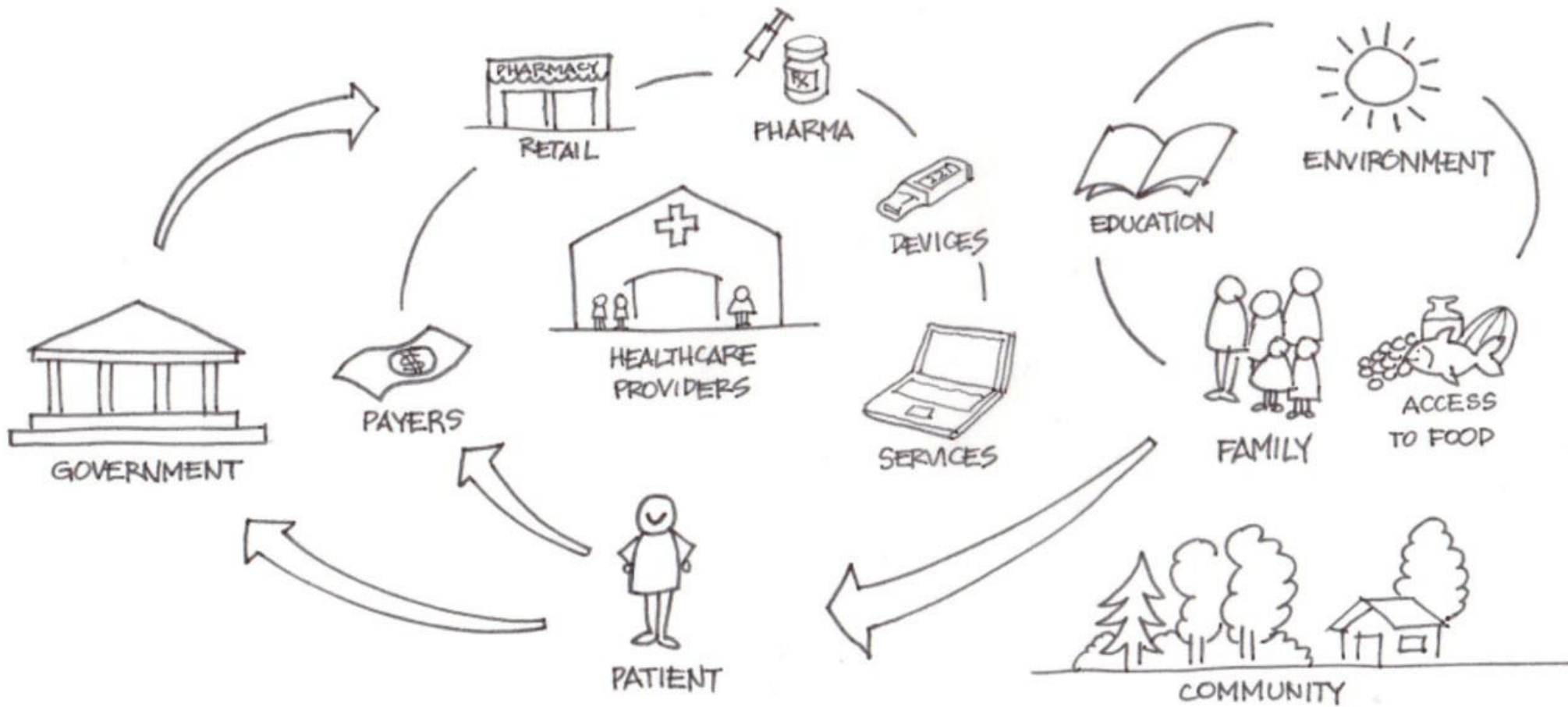
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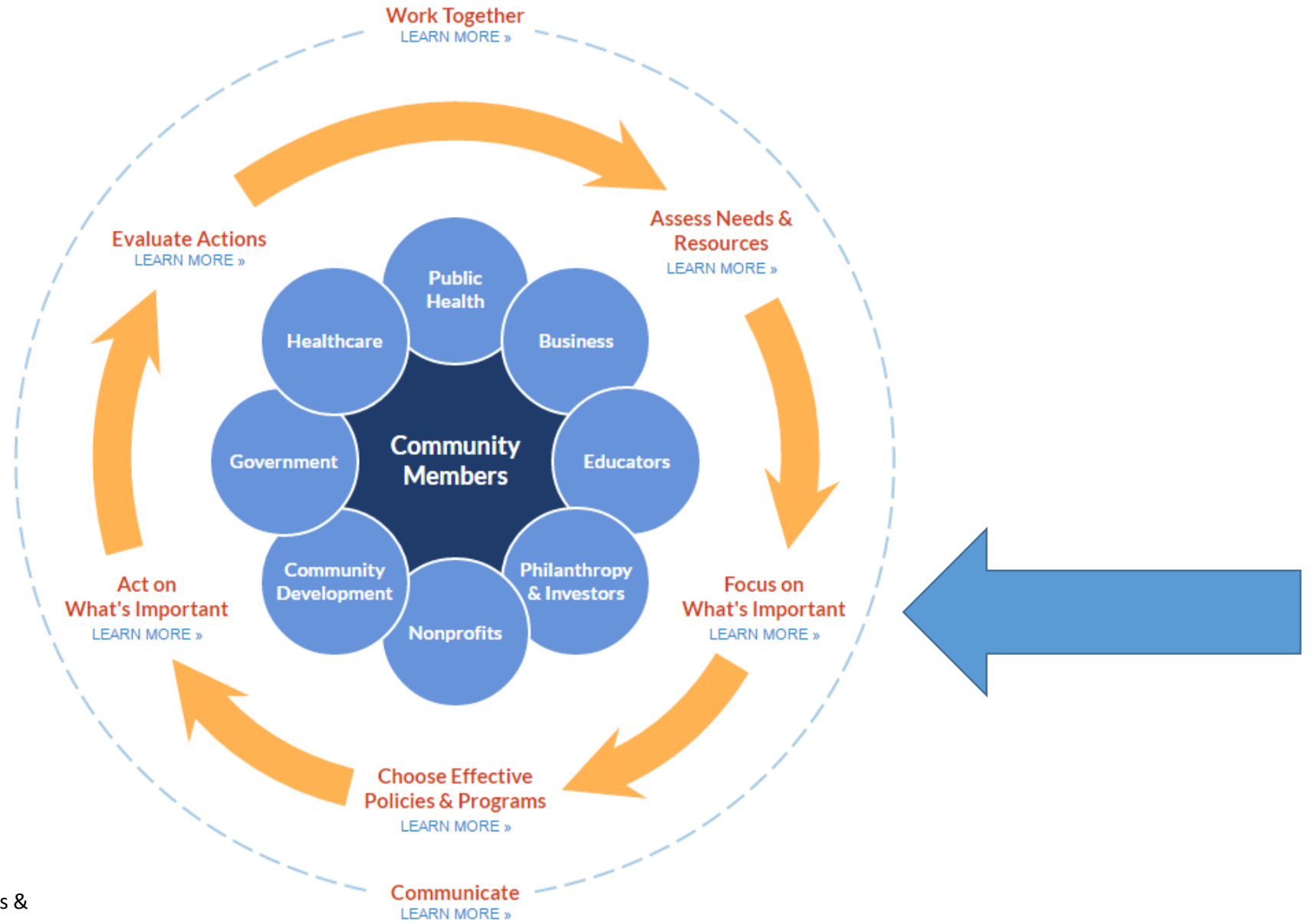


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# Purpose of Guiding Principles

- Outline the broad philosophies for the workgroup
- Establish common ground among workgroup stakeholders
- Rank competing priorities
- Define the criteria for formulating and ranking recommendations
  - Programs and strategies within the selected models must align with and support these guiding principles.

# How we will work



(you will see this again today)

Source: RWJF County Health Rankings & Roadmaps Action Center

# Preamble

The workgroup recognizes that health care systems of the future need to accommodate a culturally diverse population, as well as a growing number of vulnerable residents and elders with chronic health conditions. Recognizing and addressing the social determinants of health is crucial in promoting a healthy society. Stakeholders must support an integrated care delivery system that promotes health equity, quality, and comprehensive services across a continuum of care.

For these reasons our guiding principles are:

# Draft Guiding Principles

- The health and well-being of Mid-Shore residents is essential to the State and region's economic viability and quality of life.
- We are committed to building a health care system in which all residents regardless of their place of the jurisdiction have access to appropriate and high quality care.
- We are committed to creating opportunities to achieve payment and delivery system reforms that ensure access to high quality health services (including primary health care, inpatient and emergency medical services, behavioral health, oral health, and public health) to Mid-Shore residents and visitors, including vulnerable populations.
- We are committed to leveraging existing payment innovations already underway in Maryland.
- We recognize that delivery model innovations need to be sustainable so that providers and payers invest in the necessary capabilities to be successful, but need to be flexible enough to take root and improve in urban, suburban, and rural environments.
- We are committed to empowering Mid-Shore residents to be active participants in their health decisions and provide transparency about the real costs of health care.
- We support investing in cost-effective prevention and wellness interventions, such as smoking cessation and reducing obesity, to improve health status.

# Other Suggestions

- Include a principle pertaining to increasing health literacy in the community.
  - We are committed to empowering Mid-Shore residents to be active participants in their health decisions, **increasing health literacy in the community** and providing transparency about the real costs of health care.
- Include a guiding principle which mentions the importance of looking at the economic impact on communities as decisions are made about hospitals.
  - **The health care system is a vital component of the region's economy and an anchor point for economic development.**