



Partnership Fund for Program Integrity Innovation

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Workshop Agenda

- Introduction to the Partnership Fund
 - ✓ What we are
 - ✓ Problems we address and how
 - ✓ Developing pilot projects
- Upcoming developments and next steps
- Mini-simulation of Partnership Fund process



What is the Fund for Program Integrity Innovation?

Purpose: To fund pilot projects and evaluations that test innovations to streamline administration and/or strengthen program integrity

Scope: Federal assistance programs that have a substantial State role or where Federal/State cooperation could be beneficial

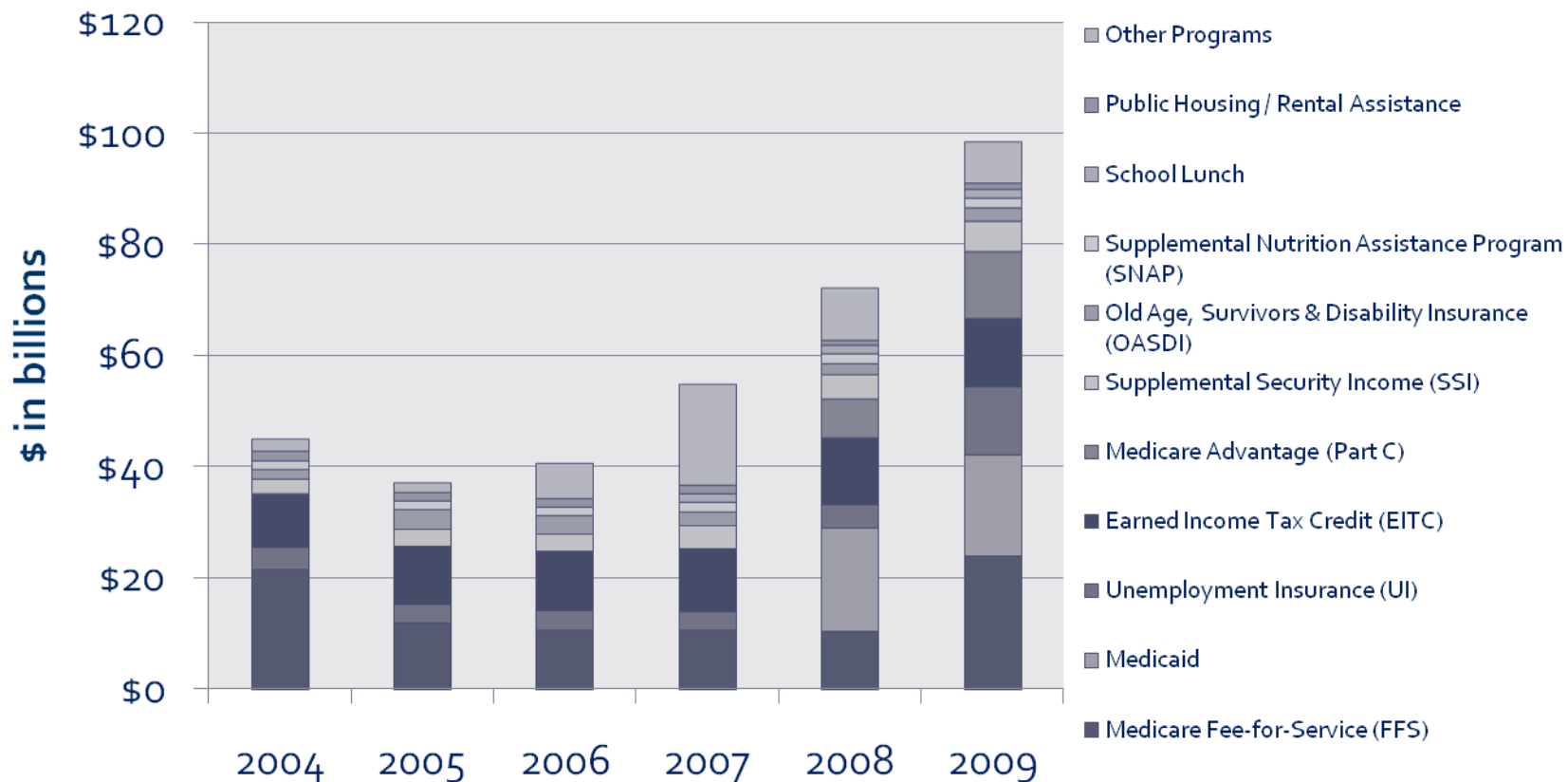
Funding: 2010 Consolidated Appropriations Law authorized \$37.5 million through September 2012





The Problem: 1 of 3

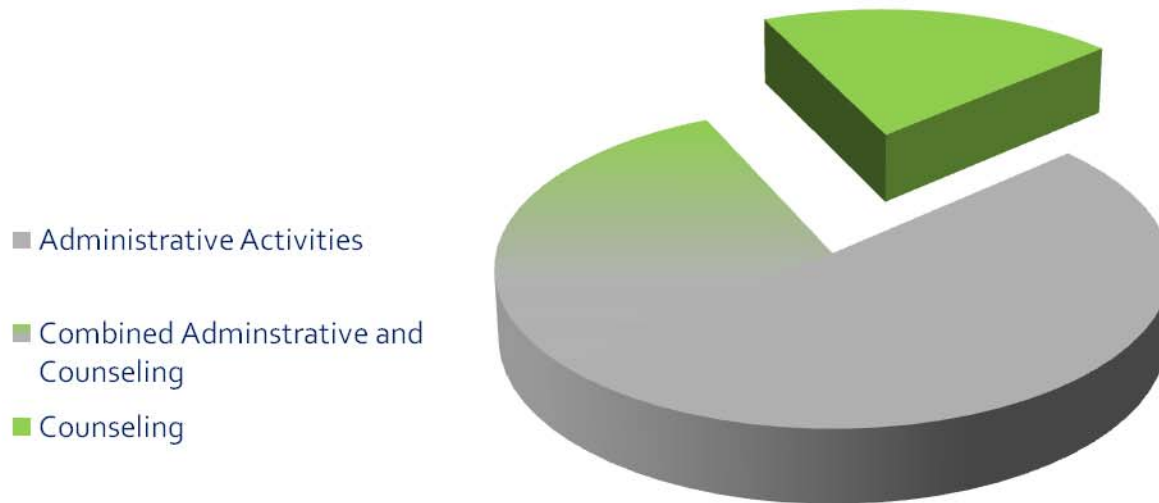
Improper Payments Continue to Grow





The Problem: 2 of 3

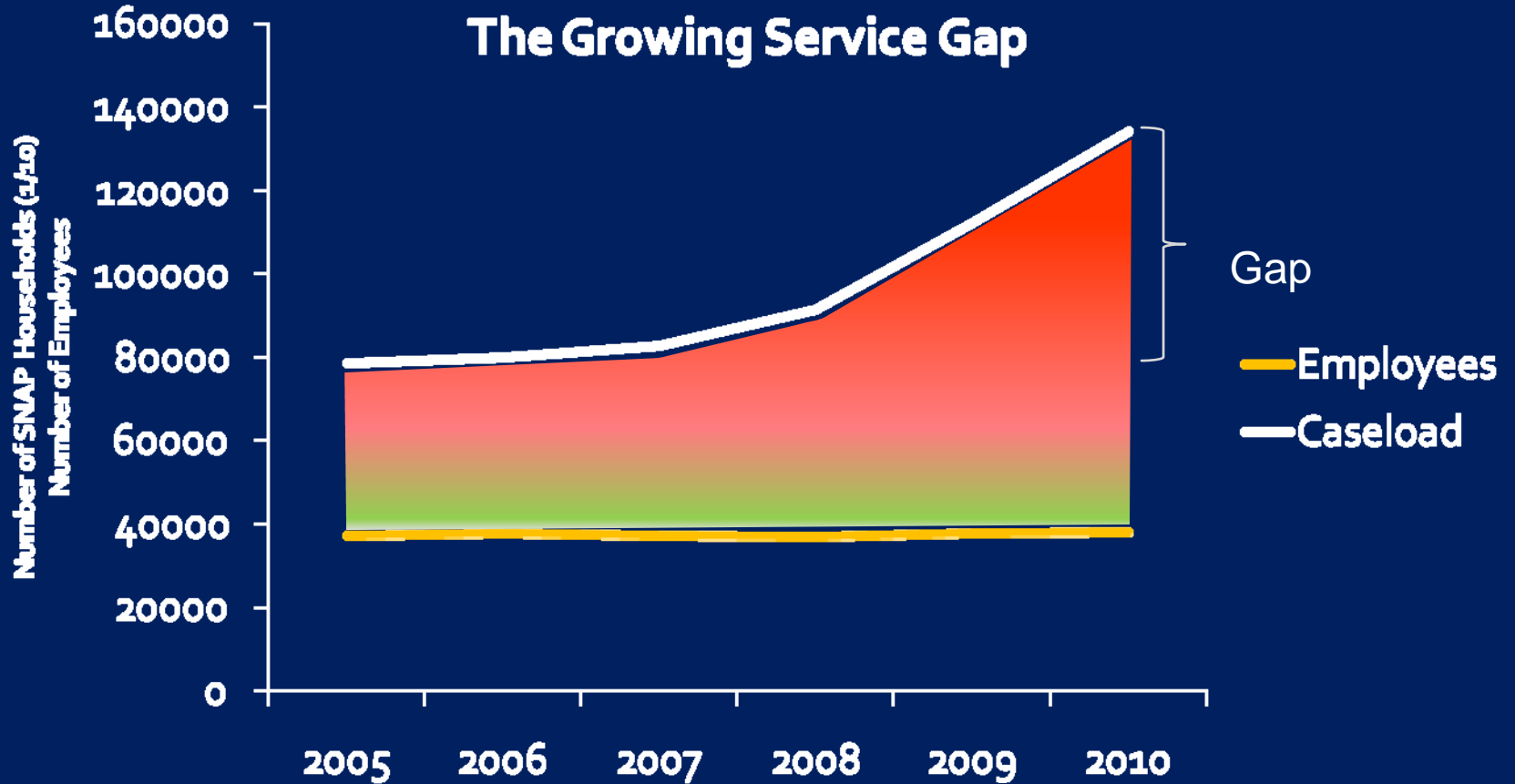
Front-line Case Workers Spend Less than 50% of Time on Direct Support of Families



Source: Child Welfare - HHS Could Play a Greater Role in Helping Child Welfare Agencies Recruit and Retain Staff, GAO 2003



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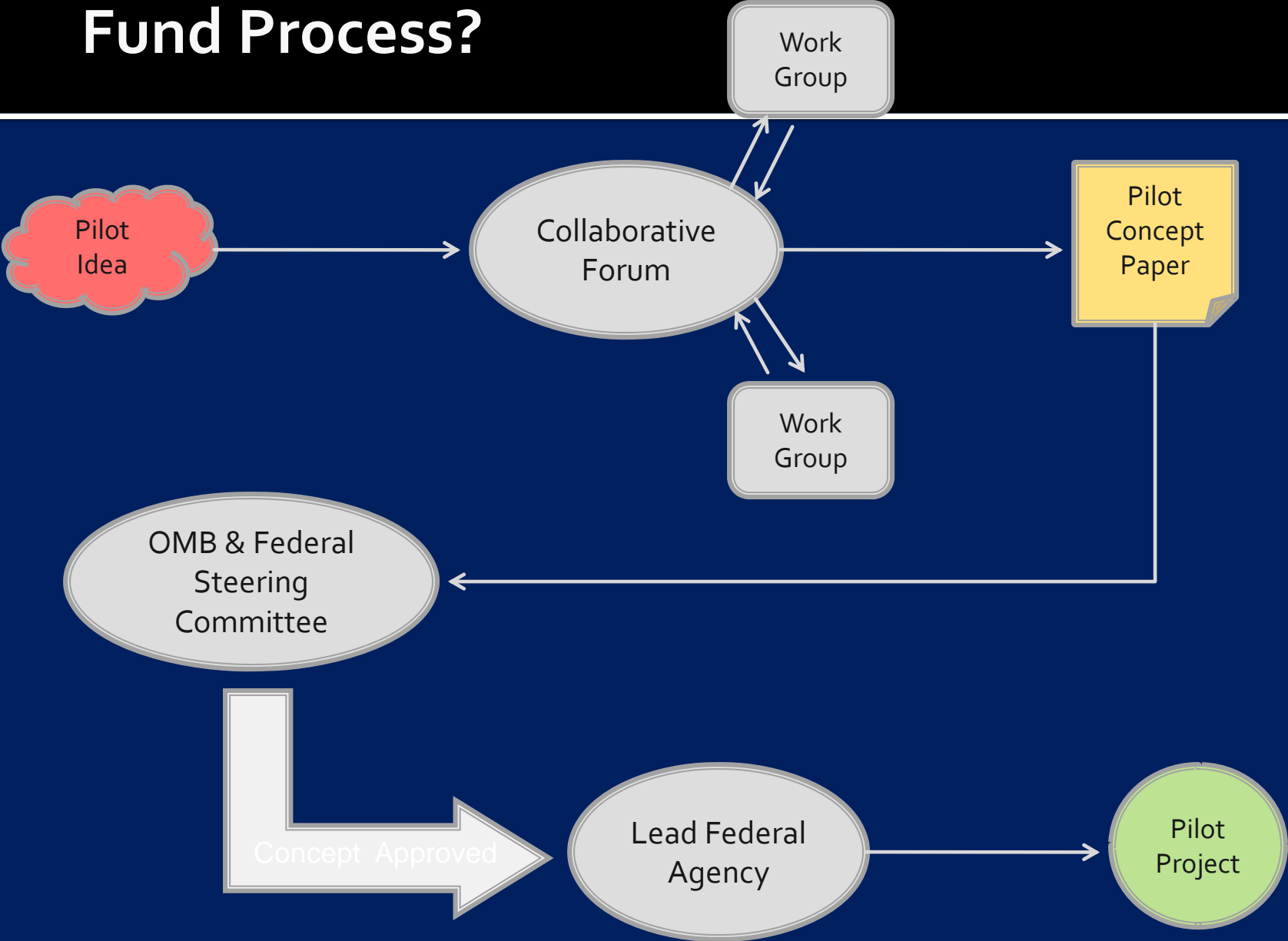
Sample Data: California SNAP Enrollment versus Total Human Service Employees



What Do We Need to Do?

- Create a sustainable and transparent way to share best practices and assess potential benefits of new approaches
- Test sustainable improvements in a tight budget environment by piloting the most promising ideas
 - Reduce error
 - Reduce redundancy
 - Reduce barriers to improved efficiency and service delivery

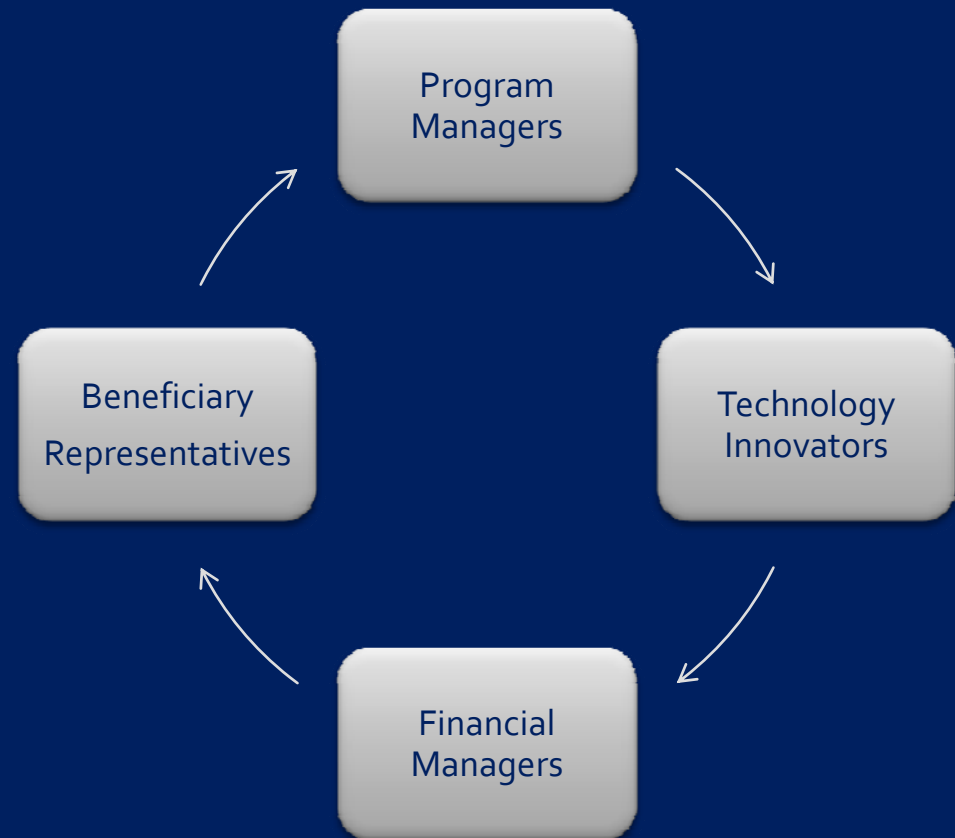
What Is the Partnership Fund Process?





Collaborative Forum

- Role: to generate and collaborate on potential project concepts
- Participants:
 - Federal agencies
 - States
 - Other Stakeholders
 - Advocates
 - Local agencies
 - Foundations
 - Industry
 - State Associations





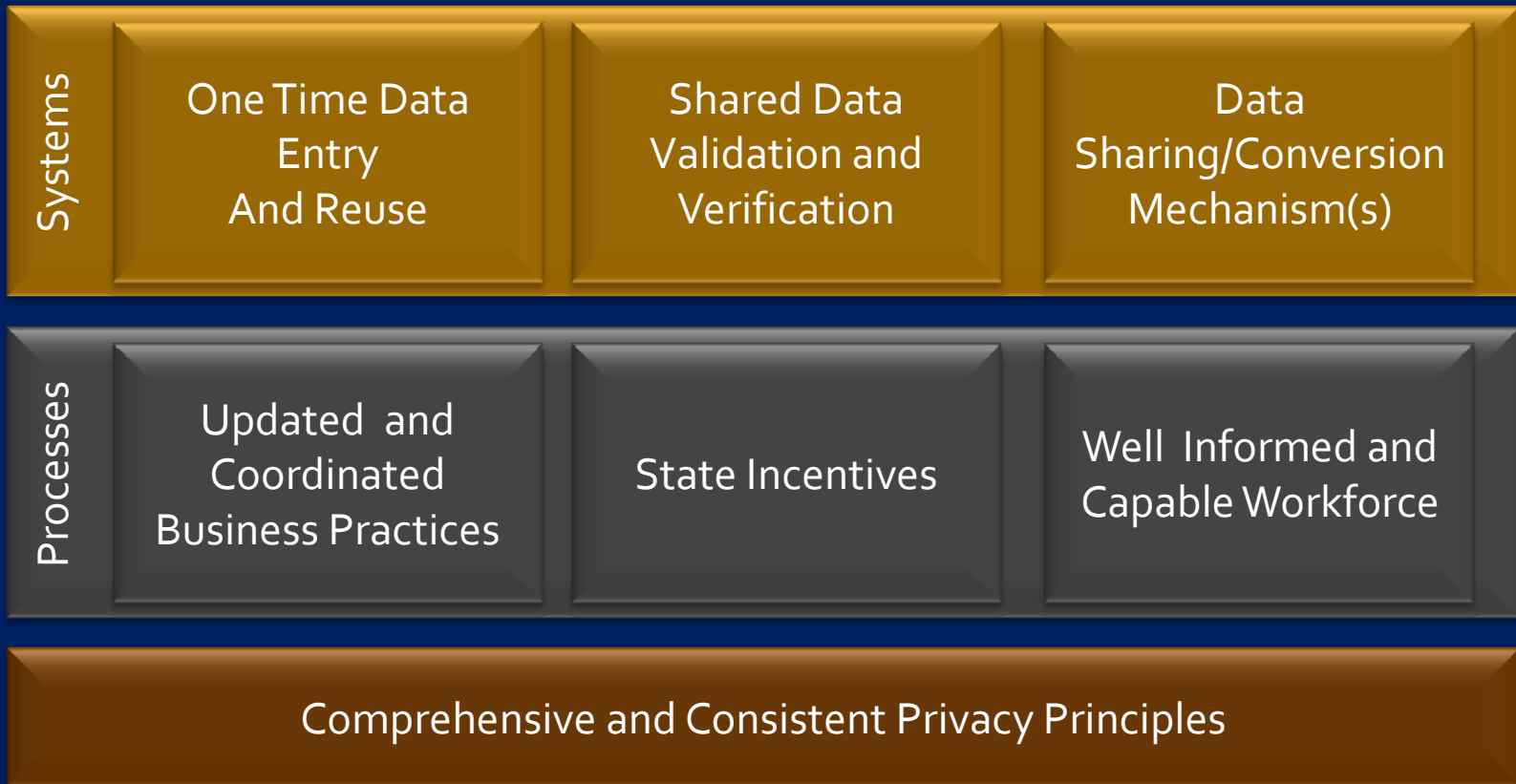
Profile of "Ideal" Concept

- ✓ Solves Elements of Four Key Objectives:
 - Improves Payment Accuracy
 - Improves Administrative Efficiency
 - Improves Service Delivery
 - Reduces Access Barriers
- ✓ Bridges Silos in or among Programs
- ✓ Could Expand Nationally if Successful
- ✓ Saves More than It Costs
- ✓ Yields Results within 9 – 18 Months





Concept Target Areas





What the Fund will not do

- ▶ The Fund is not a comprehensive initiative to modernize benefit delivery across all states.
- ▶ It will not supplant existing resources that State and Federal agencies already spend on program administration.
- ▶ It will not interfere with current incentive arrangements that help states improve program integrity for specific programs.
- ▶ Pilots will not be funded that achieve savings primarily by imposing barriers to application or otherwise reducing the participation of eligible beneficiaries.



Next Steps?

- “Road show” brainstorming sessions with States and Associations
- Establish the Collaborative Forum and State-driven Workgroups
- Stand up version 2.0 of www.partner4solutions.gov
- Publish guidance to Agencies



Questions?

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