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Update on the new integrated HIV and hepatitis C Community Action Fund

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Purpose

- To update CAS membership on the current status and future development of the HIV and hepatitis C Community Action Fund



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Overview

- Profile of the current program funding
- Context
- Where have we been?
- What has changed?
- Where are we going?
- How will we get there?



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Profile of current program funding

- The Public Health Agency of Canada manages 2 G & C programs related to communicable diseases totaling \$26.1 million annually in community-based investments
 - » \$22.8 million annually under the Federal Initiative to Address HIV/AIDS in Canada (national and regional)
 - » \$3.3 million annually under the Hepatitis C Prevention, Support and Research Program for regional and national projects
- Currently 130 contribution agreements



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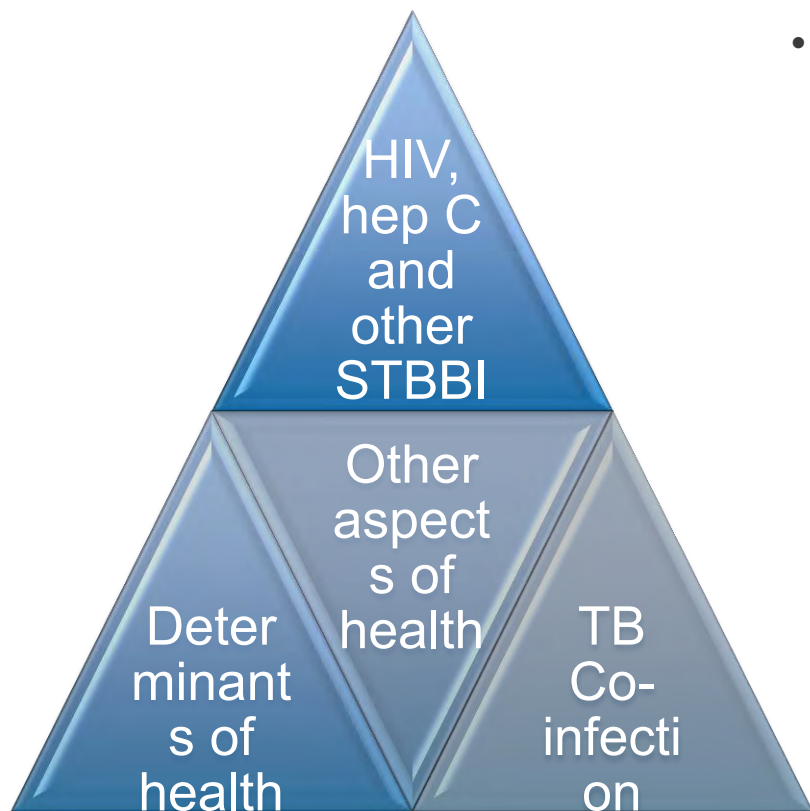
Context

- Budget 2012
 - » Community-based investments for HIV and hepatitis C protected (over \$26M)
 - » Reduction in Agency staff responsible for managing contribution agreements
- Government of Canada response to HIV and hepatitis C remains focussed on HIV and hepatitis C and is placed within the broader context of communicable diseases, making linkages with mental health, aging and other determinants of health



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Where have we been? – Community Action Fund description and principles

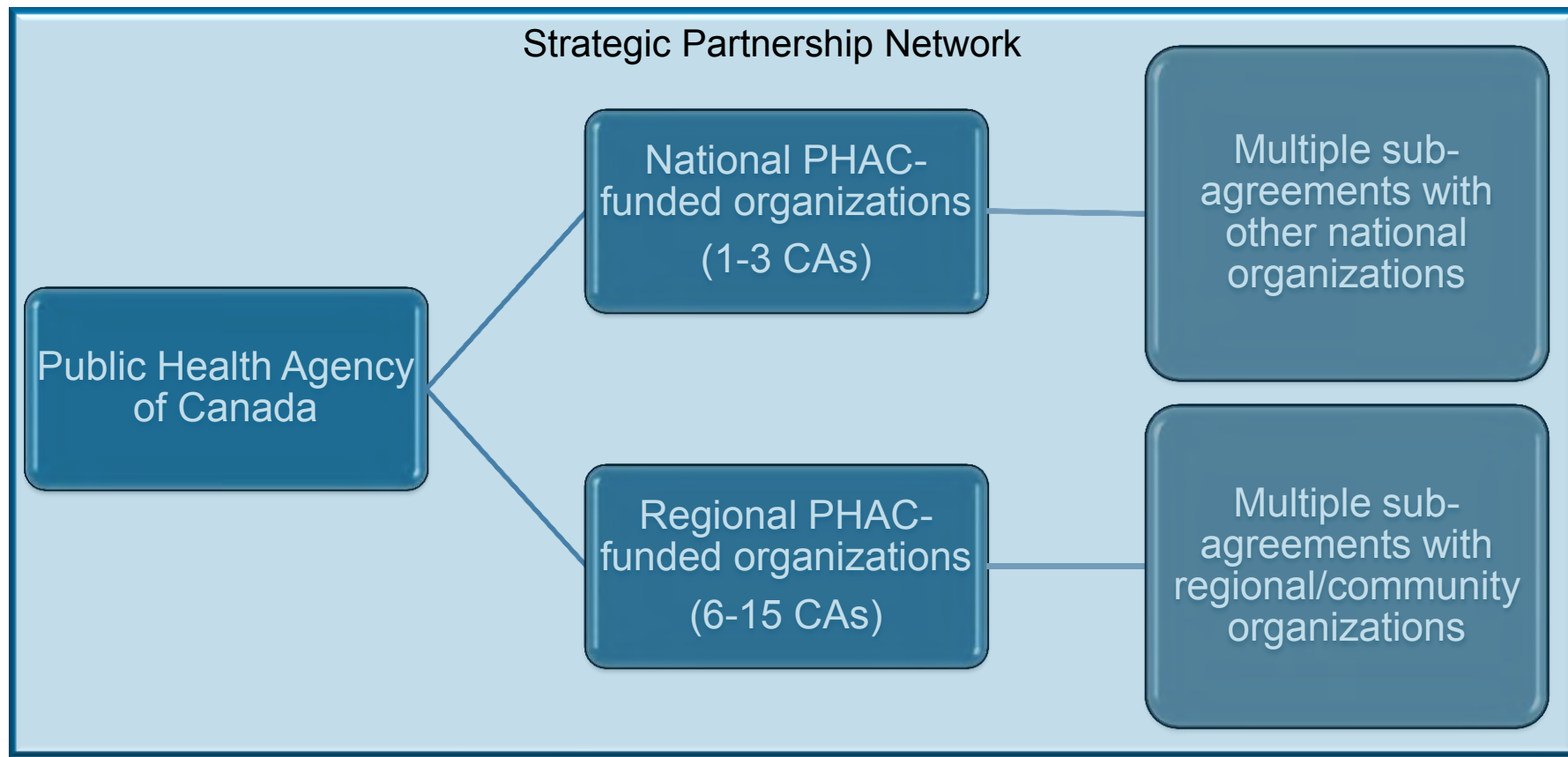


- Development of an integrated, streamlined fund to be implemented in April 2017, which:
 - » Takes into consideration public health evidence and other changes in the landscape
 - » Allows for specific focus on public health and community capacity
 - » Balances disease-specific work and integrated communicable disease work
 - » Improves linkages with related aspects of health that impact transmission and well-being of those living with chronic infections
 - e.g. mental health and aging



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Where have we been? – Delivery model initially proposed (2012-2014)



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What has changed?

- No longer implementing the proposed Strategic Partnerships Model
 - » Need to explore other delivery models
 - » Community Planning Process – **ON HOLD**
- Integrated Community Action Fund description and principles remain **UNCHANGED**
 - » Focus on HIV and hepatitis C; includes other STBBIs, related aspects of health, TB co-infection, determinants of health where relevant
- The need to reduce the number of Contribution Agreements remains **UNCHANGED**



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Where are we going?



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How will we get there?

- Supporting existing 130 projects through amendment process (Completed)
- Analysis of potential delivery models (In progress):
 - » What are the costs and risks?
 - » To what extent does it support the objectives of the Agency?
 - » What would be the impact on stakeholders?
 - » What support is needed for stakeholders to transition?
- Engagement of stakeholders (2014/2015)
 - » MACFI, NACHA
 - » National and regional funding recipients
 - » Other key stakeholder groups
- Support to community organizations for transition to the new fund and delivery model – Community planning (2015/2016)
- Launch ISA (Spring/Summer 2016)



QUESTIONS?

