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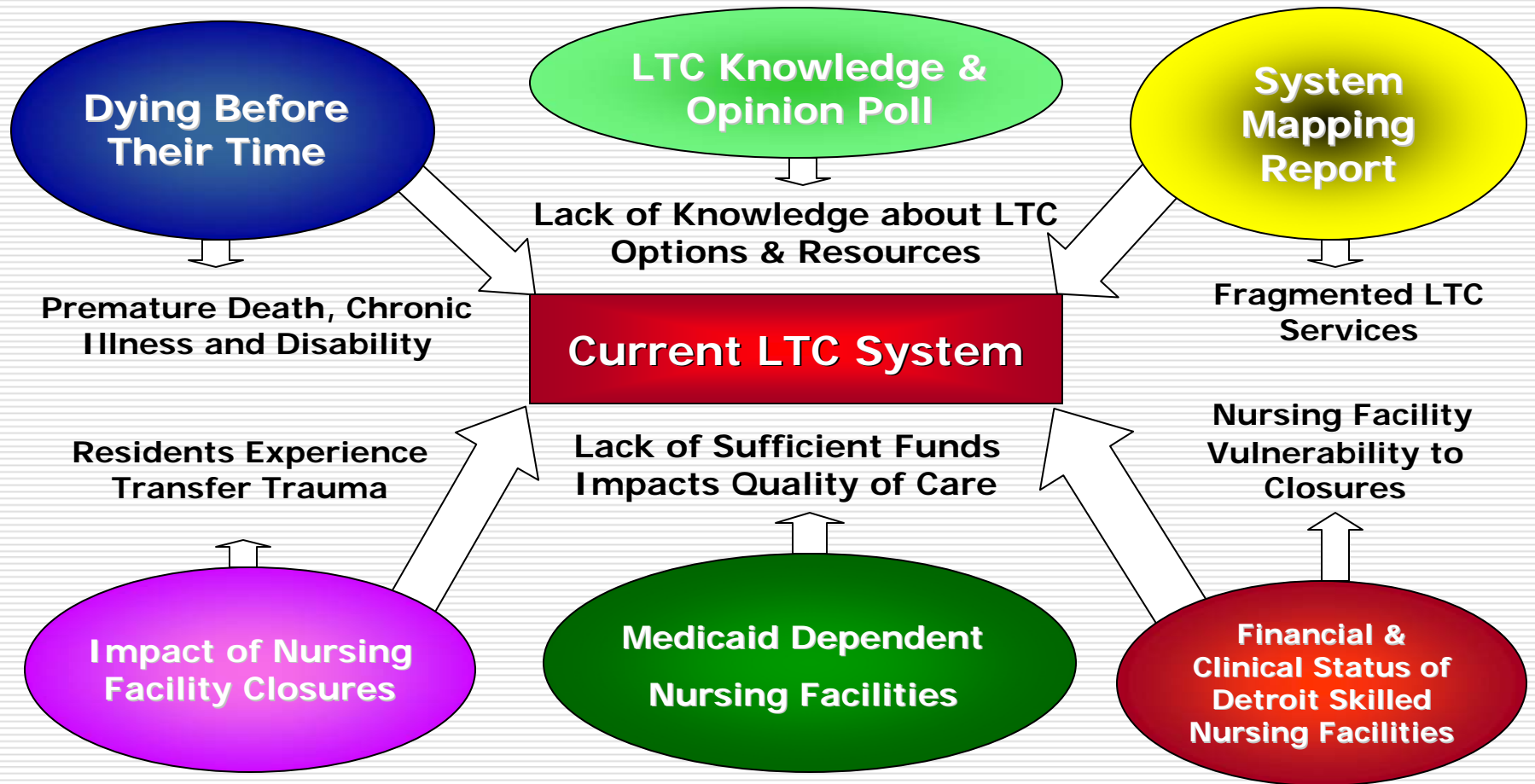
# Detroit Long Term Care System Change Task Force

*Moving Toward Enhancing  
the Quality of Care*

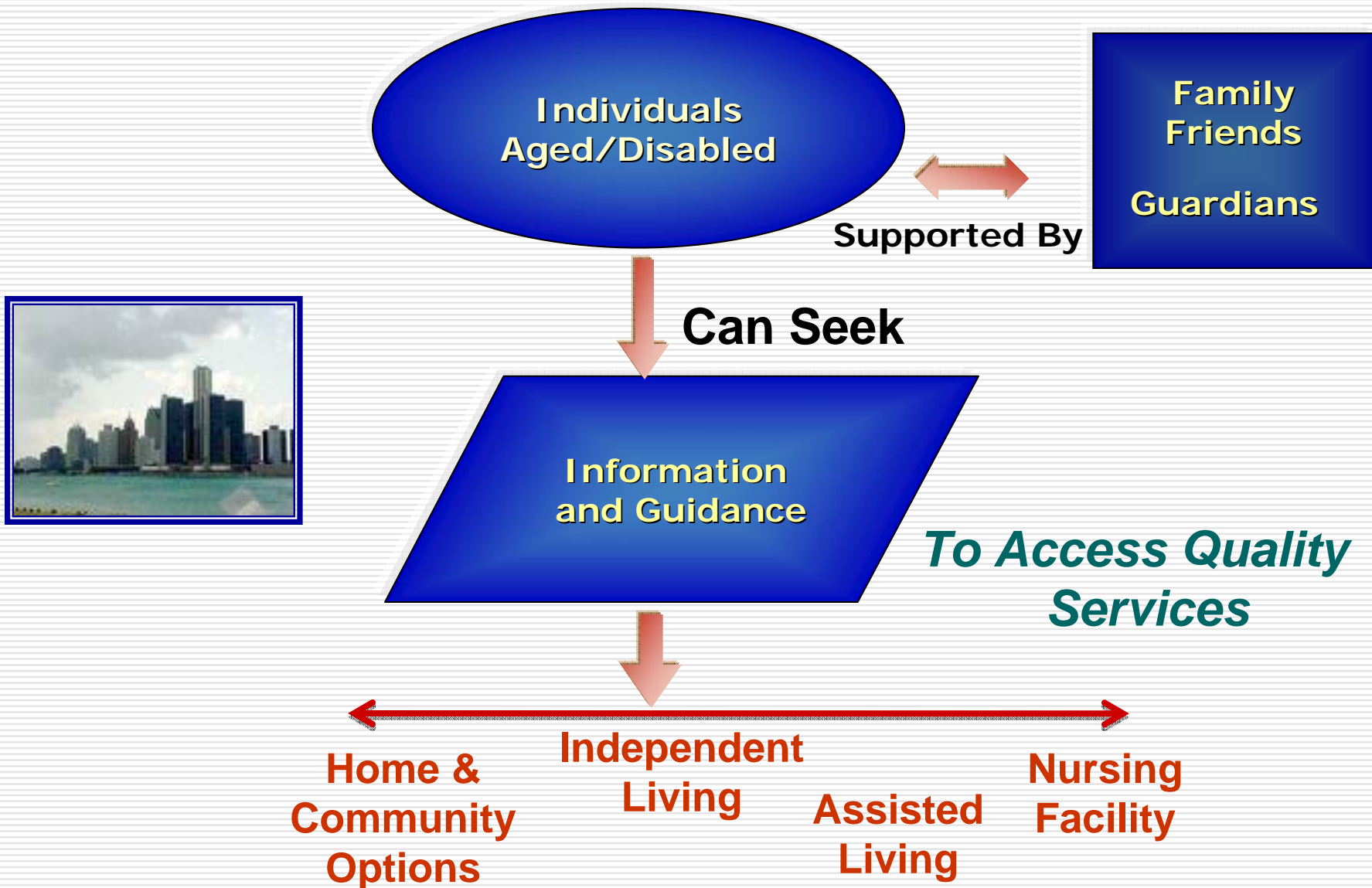
## 2009 Public Policy Agenda



# A Look at our Current Long Term Care System



# A Vision for the Future



# Finding the Way

## Task Force Policy Recommendations

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Facilities



Consumer  
Access

Direct Care  
Workers



# Goal 1: Create Environments that Promote Quality of Life

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## *Policy Recommendations:*

- ❑ Right size the number of Skilled Nursing Facilities to match population trends by providing financial relief for low occupancy buildings as they transition.
  - ❑ Stimulate capital investment in the physical plant of Skilled Nursing Facilities to achieve current design standards through enhanced Medicaid reimbursement and increasing the access to capital for owners.
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# Goal 1: Create Environments that Promote Quality of Life

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## *Policy Recommendations:*

- ❑ Enhance Medicaid reimbursement related to special population groups and Medicaid bad debts to increase the financial viability of the facilities.
  - ❑ Develop Residential Care Options with Supportive Services and expedite the development of Affordable Assisted Living in Detroit.
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# Goal 1: Create Environments that Promote Quality of Life

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## *Policy Recommendations:*

- ❑ Provide financial and case management assistance to those not clinically eligible for nursing facility care.
  - ❑ Waive fees paid by nursing facilities for background checks.
  - ❑ Modify Medicaid reimbursement to accelerate the payment for expenses incurred by Skilled Nursing Facilities and to remove penalties associated with low occupancy.
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# Goal 2: Improve Access and Level of Service for Consumers

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## *Policy Recommendations:*

- ❑ Expand MI CHOICE and PACE to enhance access to healthcare services and improve mortality rates.
  - ❑ Implement oversight and monitoring of non-family guardians.
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# Goal 2: Improve Access and Level of Service for Consumers

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## *Policy Recommendations:*

- ❑ Streamline the process for annual re-determinations of Medicaid eligibility.
  - ❑ Improve the coordination of care between traditional Medicaid and Medicaid HMOs.
  - ❑ Increase Medicaid Asset and Personal Spending Limit to be consistent with National Standards.
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# Goal 3: Improve Direct Care Competencies and Staffing Levels

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## *Policy Recommendations:*

- ❑ Expand and enhance the curriculum and core competencies for individuals seeking certification as nursing assistants (Certified Nursing Assistants and Hospice Aides).
  - ❑ Increase the annual required in-service education time for Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs).
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# Goal 3: Improve Direct Care Competencies and Staffing Levels

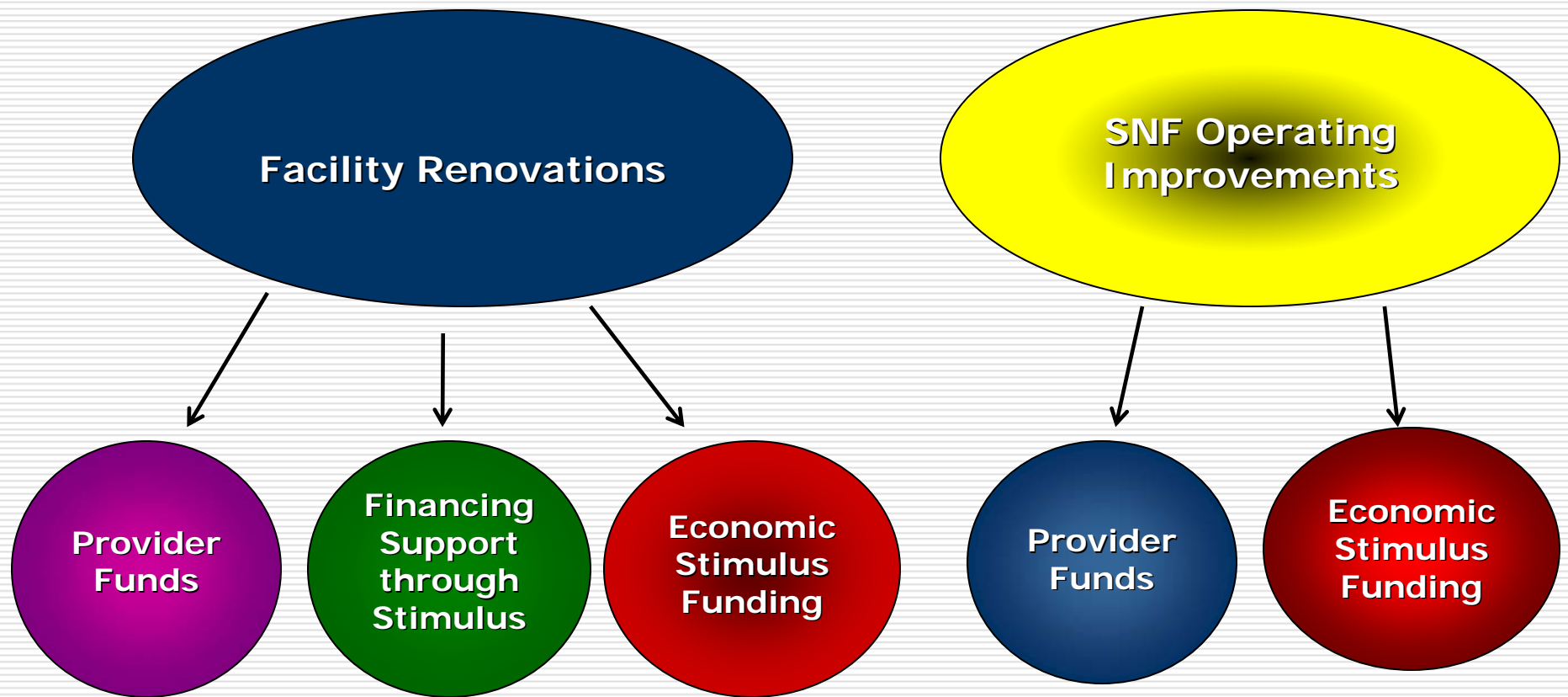
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## *Policy Recommendations:*

- ❑ Improve and enhance the capacity of Michigan Works! Agencies to support long term care providers.
  - ❑ Develop peer monitoring programs that will improve the quality of the long term care workforce.
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# Funding Recommendations Public/Private Partnership

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# Economic Stimulus Proposal

<b>Strategy</b>	<b>FTEs</b>	<b>Cost (millions)</b>
Fund cost of Increased Staffing to Statewide Averages for Nurses, Social Workers, Activities Staff.	279	\$14.5
Fund cost of Increased Staffing to Statewide Averages for Support Staff.	45	\$ 1.5
Provide Training to Displaced Workers in other sectors for careers in long term care, with emphasis on licensed nursing.	200	\$ 2.3
Stimulate Renovation and Replacement of Skilled Nursing Facilities through direct grants, credit enhancement and funding of costs not reimbursed by Medicaid. Provide financial assistance and relief from occupancy limitations to facilities that transition to current design standards.		\$22.8
<b>Total Estimated Cost</b>		<b>\$41.1</b>

# Funding for Other Proposed Policy Recommendations

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- Medicare
  - Medicaid
  - Civil Monetary Penalty Funds
  - Section 8/Housing Choice Vouchers
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  - Other Sources
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