



Prenatal-to-Age-Three Initiatives Update

State Early Childhood Advisory Council Meeting
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Objectives

- Overview of NGA and Pritzker initiatives
- Update on progress
- Next steps: join us!

Prenatal-to-Age-Three Initiatives

NGA Policy Academy

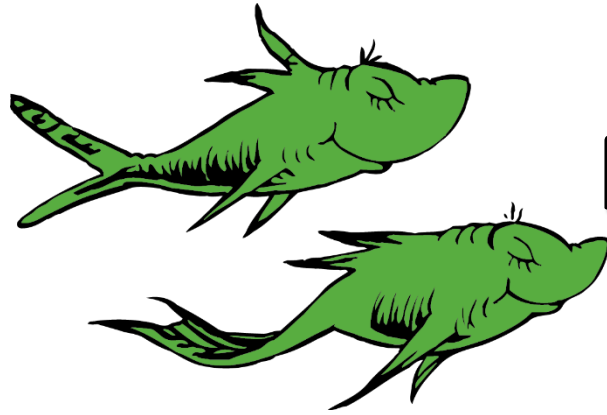
Coordinate and align programs; structure funding streams to avoid duplication and gaps in services; and achieve greater efficiencies.

Refined vision for NGA Project

Pritzker Prenatal-to-Age-Three Planning Grant

Establish a coalition of diverse stakeholders; develop an action plan and implementation strategy.

Maryland Pritzker Proposal Narrative



Pritzker Goals 1 & 2

For those at or below 200% FPL, the number of high-quality services available to expectant families and families with children prenatal-to-age 3 (PN3) will:

1. Increase by 25% over baseline by 2023
2. Increase by 50% over baseline by 2025

For example, if baseline PN3 children \leq 200% FPL served = 65,062

- 25% we would need to add in service efforts by 2023 = 16,266
- 50% we would need to add in service efforts by 2025 = 32,531

PN-3 Vision and Mission

Our **vision** is that all expectant families and those with very young children in Maryland thrive.

The **mission** of this initiative is to establish, enhance and expand high-quality programs and services for all expectant families and those with young children across Maryland. We will also increase awareness of the critical importance of equity and early life experiences in achieving lifelong health, learning, and well-being.

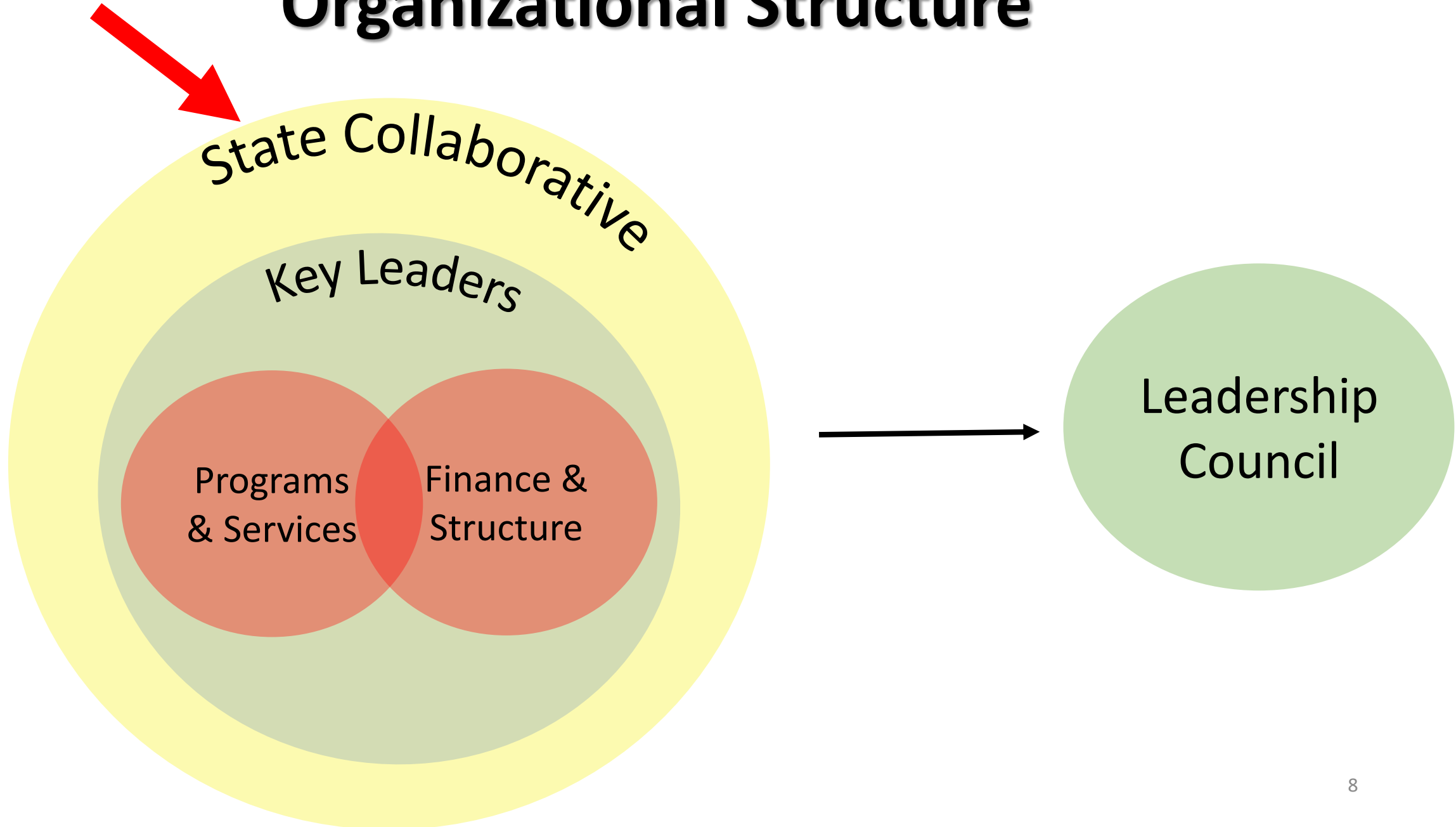
What Makes a Service High Quality?

- Family-centered
- Accessible geographically, financially, culturally, linguistically, and for persons of all abilities
- Equitable
- Adaptable
- Inclusive
- Supports culture of continuous quality improvement
- Promotes workforce development
- Promotes safe and nurturing environment
- Developmentally appropriate
- Effective leadership and operations
- Evidence-based

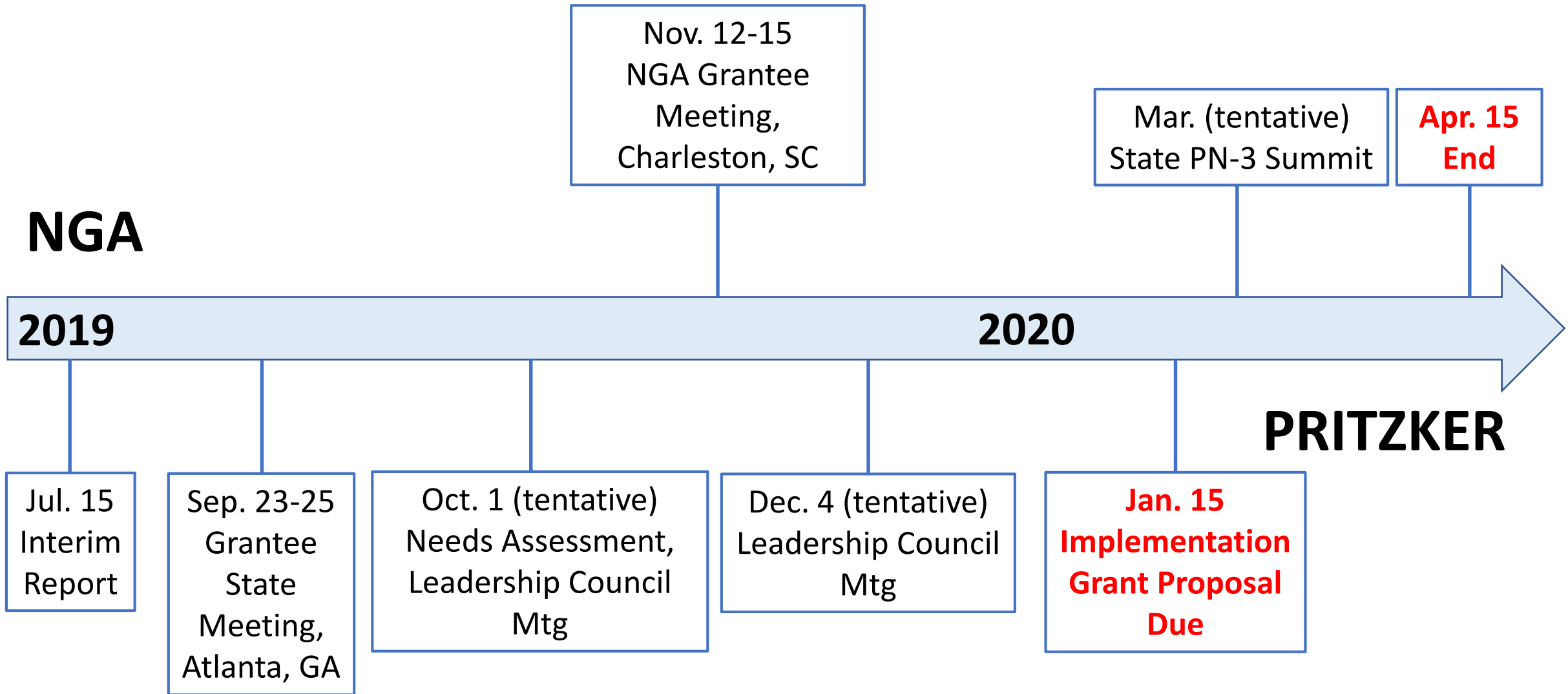
Maryland High Quality PN-3 Services

- (Early) Head Start
- Family Support Centers
- Judy Centers
- Home visiting programs
- Maryland Infants and Toddlers program
- Child care with Excels ratings 3+
- Medical home
- Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation

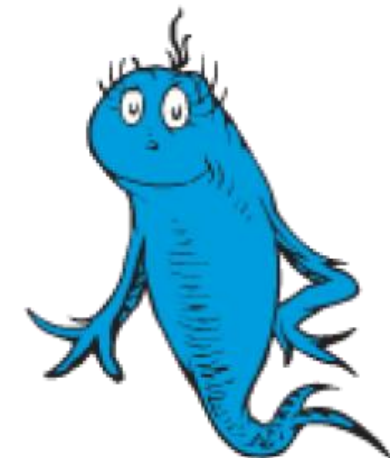
Organizational Structure



Timeline



From Here to There



- Programs & Services: “What should be done?”
Discuss expanding and enhancing programs and services available for expectant families and families with young children
- Finance & Structure: “What is needed for proper funding & implementation?”
 - Discuss funding and match opportunities for the Pritzker initiative.
 - Discuss governance, accountability, and quality assurance structures needed to ensure the design of a sustainable infrastructure

→ Action plan & implementation strategy recommendations
→ to State Collaborative & Leadership Council

Process

- Review current services and programs in Maryland
- Review input from parents, local service providers, and others with first-hand knowledge of pregnant women and children PN-3
- Review best and promising practices from other states
- Assess strengths, weaknesses and applicability of successful strategies to current conditions in Maryland
- Draft recommendations
- Revise recommendations in response to State Collaborative and Leadership Council input
- Collaborate with other work groups to develop action plan and implementation strategy.

Next Steps

Programs & Services Workgroup meetings

- August 20, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm [Location: JHU-SPH]
- September 5, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm [Location: MFN]
- October 1, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm [Location: JHU-SPH]
- November 6, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm [Location: TBD]
- December 3, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm [Location: TBD]

Structure & Finance Workgroup meetings

- September 17, 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm [Location: MFN]
- October 15, 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm [Location: TBD]
- November 18, 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm [Location: TBD]
- December 12, 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm [Location: MFN]



Questions?