

OCHIS: Catalyst for Collaboration and Commercialization

Waterloo Region Med Tech Bridging The Gap

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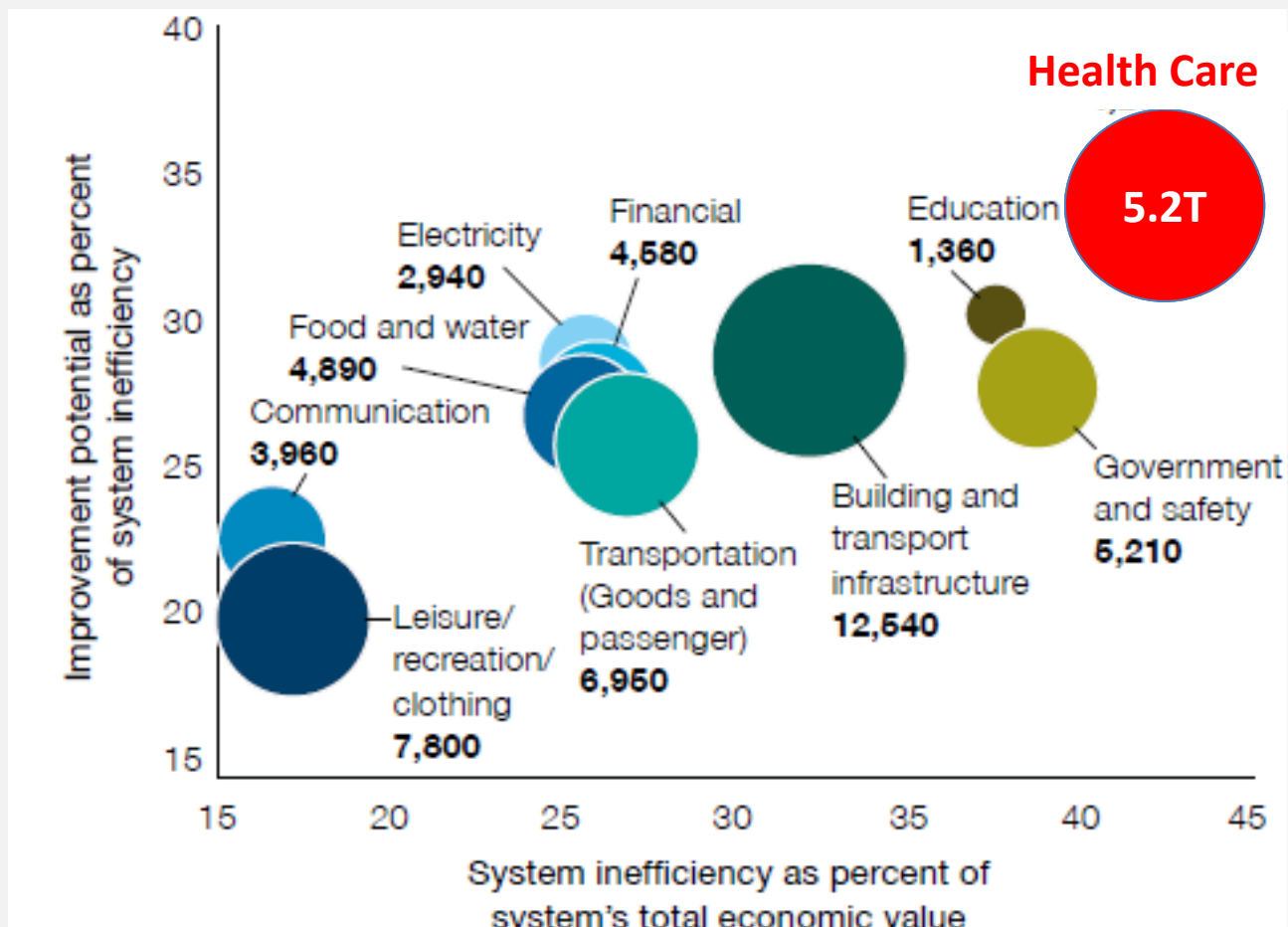
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The Innovation Imperative



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Why Health as a Focus Area?



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Purpose:

To drive collaboration across the health care system to accelerate the adoption and diffusion of new innovative health technologies and processes to:

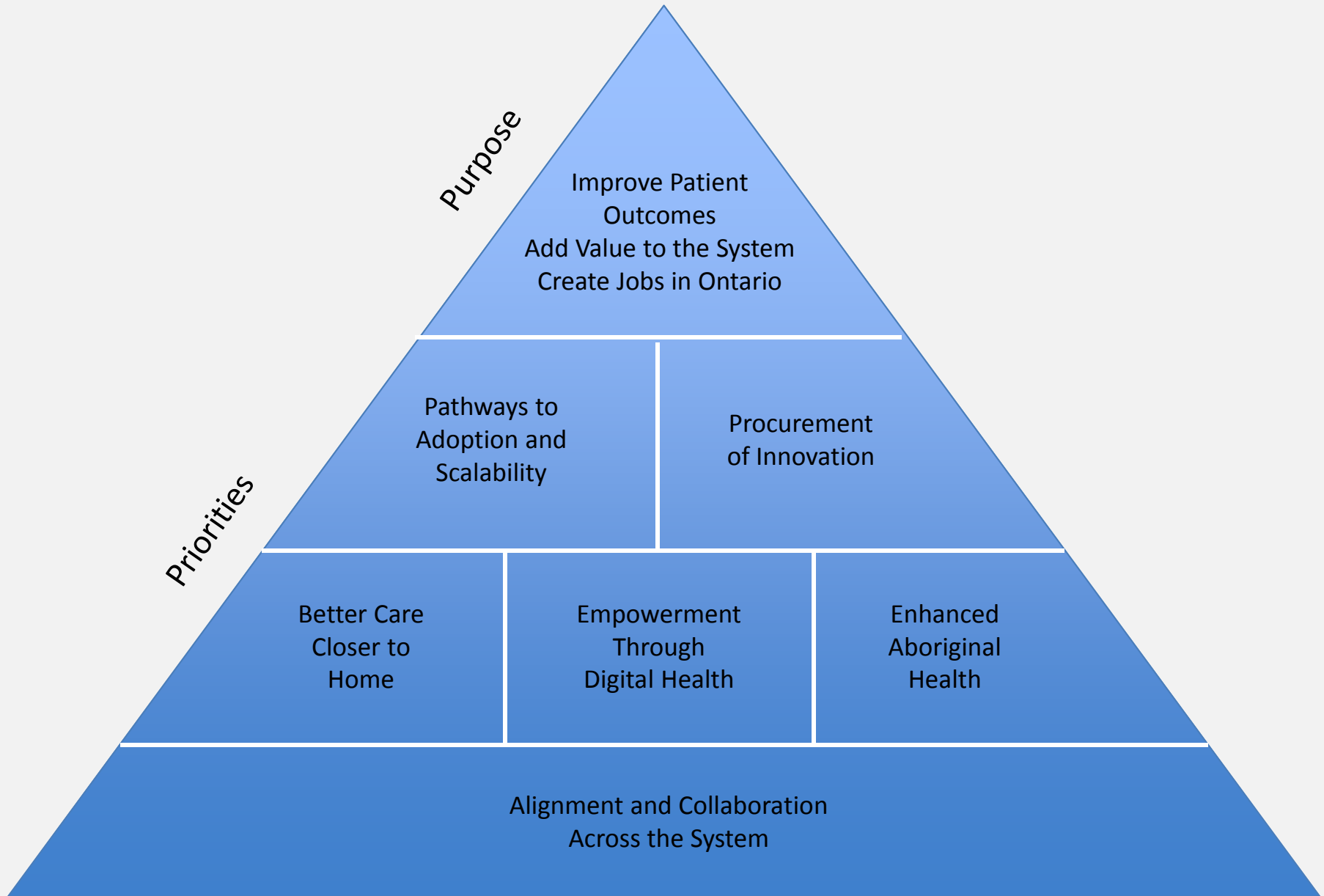
- Improve patient outcomes
- Add value to the system
- Create jobs in Ontario

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Priorities:

- Optimize pathways to adoption and diffusion for innovative Ontario health technologies.
- Enable effective procurement of innovation by shifting the health care system to strategic, value-based procurement and removing barriers for small- and medium-sized enterprises to participate.
- Provide better care closer to home by supporting home and community care enabled by virtual, mobile and digital health technologies.
- Empower Ontarians through digital health by building a dynamic market of ehealth tools and supports to navigate and personalize their path to health and wellness.
- Enhance Aboriginal health by advancing opportunities for innovation to address health challenges in their communities.

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Themes that will underpin our work:

- Build a health innovation ecosystem not run a mini “Dragon’s Den”
- Scalability, scalability, scalability
- Be a catalyst
- Leverage good work already ongoing; seek to make the whole greater than the sum of its parts
- Measure ourselves by our impact not by the activity we generate
- Create jobs in Ontario
- Drive exports -- they are fundamental to success as an ecosystem
- Champion the move to value-based care
- Put patients first

Health Technologies Fund: Accelerate the Adoption and Diffusion of Innovation

- The \$20 million Fund is designed to support pre-market evaluations and early adoption of innovative Ontario health technologies.
- Through it, we will invest \$5 million over each of the next four years to accelerate innovation across multiple health care settings.
- Applicants may apply for funding in one of three project categories:
 - Prototype
 - Pre-market evaluation
 - Early adoption.
- Collaboration through Health Innovation Teams.
- **Submission materials available July 4.**

Innovation Brokers: Drive Collaboration

- Help remove barriers to adoption and scaling of innovation.
- Link growing Ontario-based health technology companies with opportunities, key players and supports.
- Be our eyes and ears in the local community.
- Help companies navigate the MOHLTC or other ministries.
- Articulate important health needs to the innovation community.
- Inform providers about the companies that are doing exciting work that could meet their needs.
- Support regional health innovation clusters.
- Bring health system players together, so companies with great products get to the finish line.
- **Now accepting Expressions of Interest for Innovation Broker positions.**

OCHIS Website: Point of Access

- Learn about our programs and activities.
- Future:
 - Information resource for companies and providers.
 - A link to find ways to work together.
- Apply for the Health Technologies Fund and Innovation Broker positions:

ontario.ca/healthinnovation

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