



PLANNING FOR INCAPACITY IN DECISION MAKING

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Objectives



Decision Making

- **Choose between different courses of action**
- **Action Plan created**



Decision Strategies



NORMAL COGNITIVE AGING

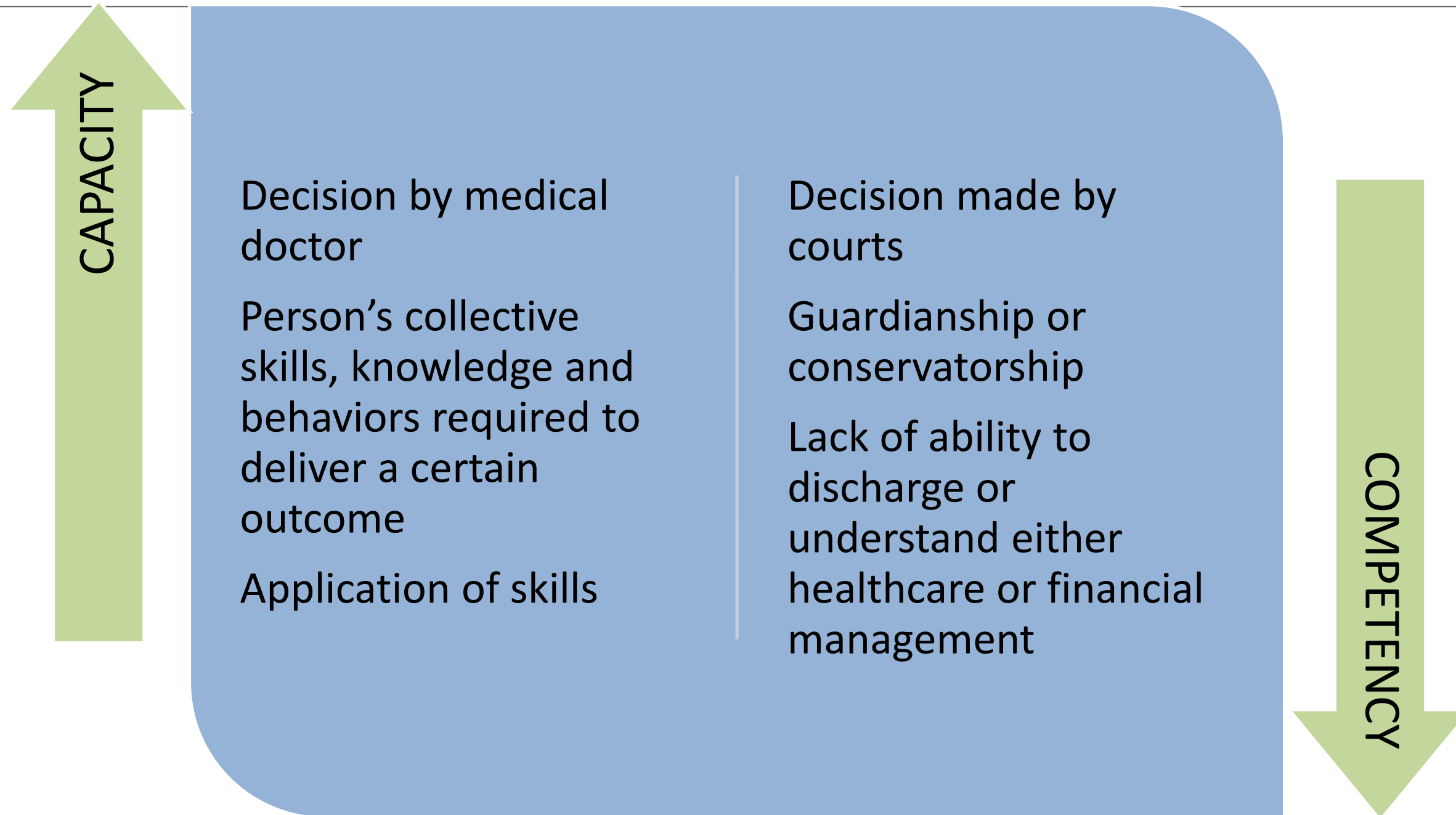
Thinking Skills that are Affected by Normal Aging

- ✓ Short term memory
- ✓ Reasoning
- ✓ Speed of processing information



Thinking Skills that are Not Affected by Normal Cognitive Aging

- ✓ General vocabulary
- ✓ Knowledge
- ✓ Verbal reasoning

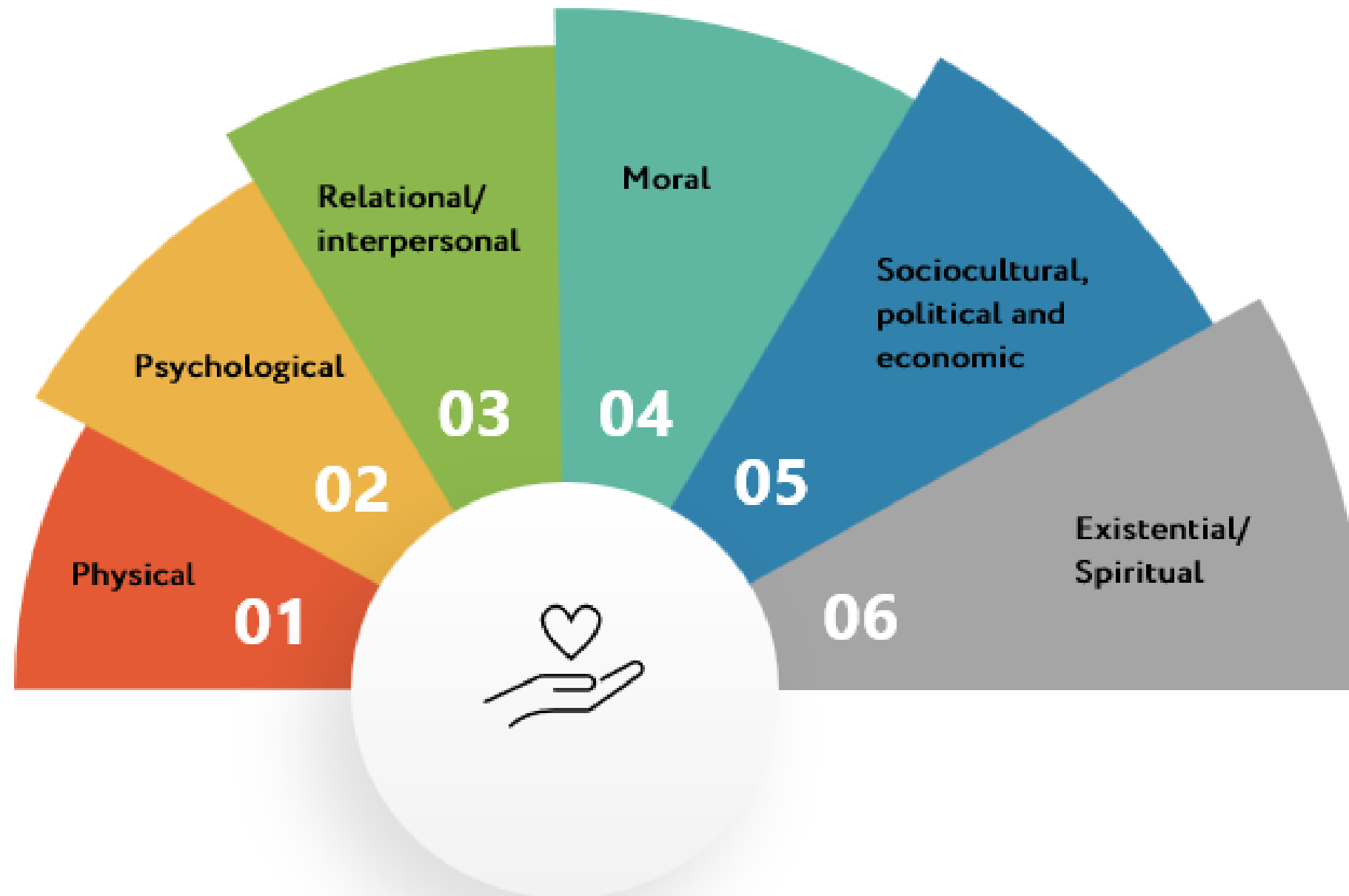


VULNERABILITY AND AGED CARE

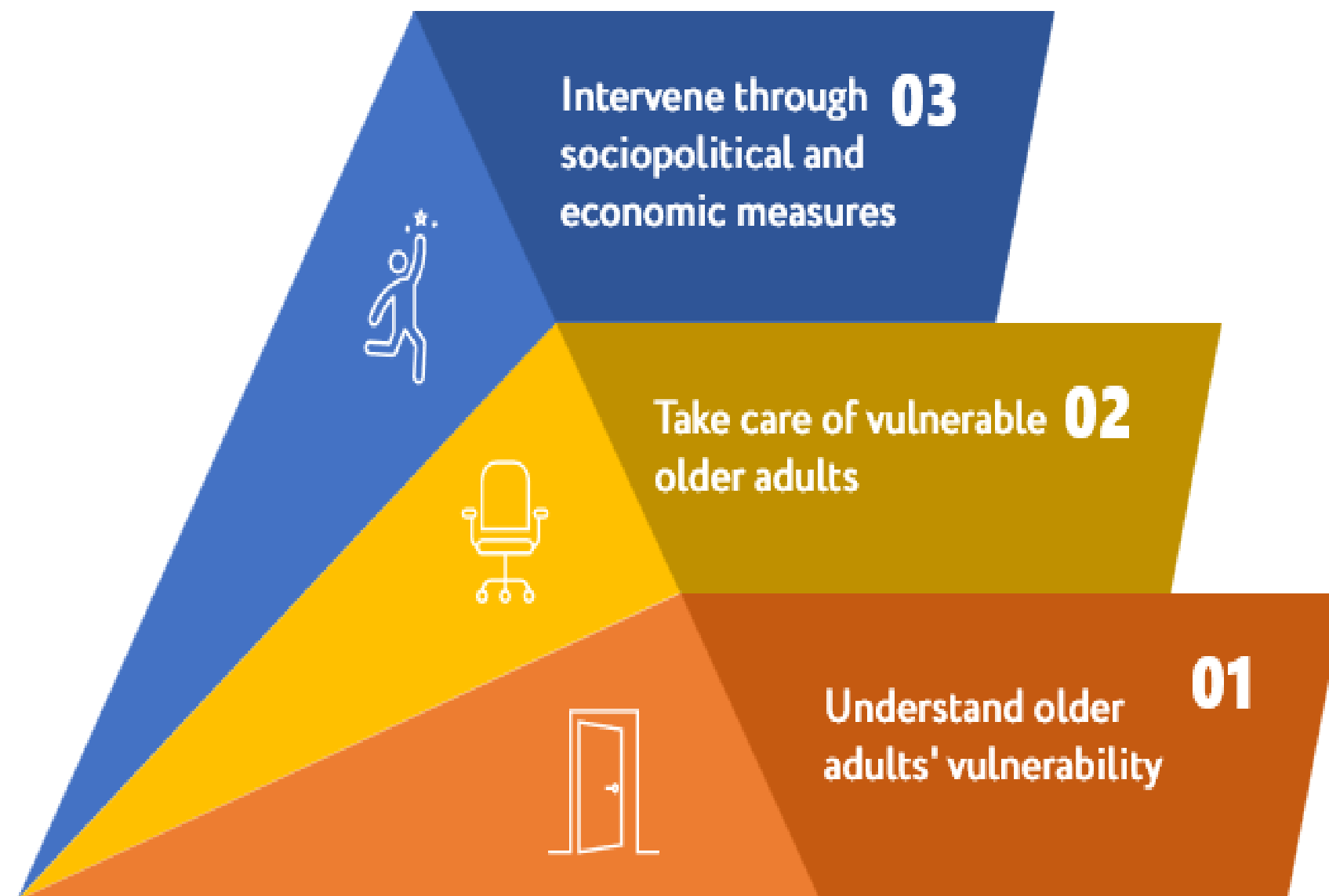
Inherent characteristic?
Social construct?



AGED CARE AND VULNERABILITY



Addressing aged care vulnerability



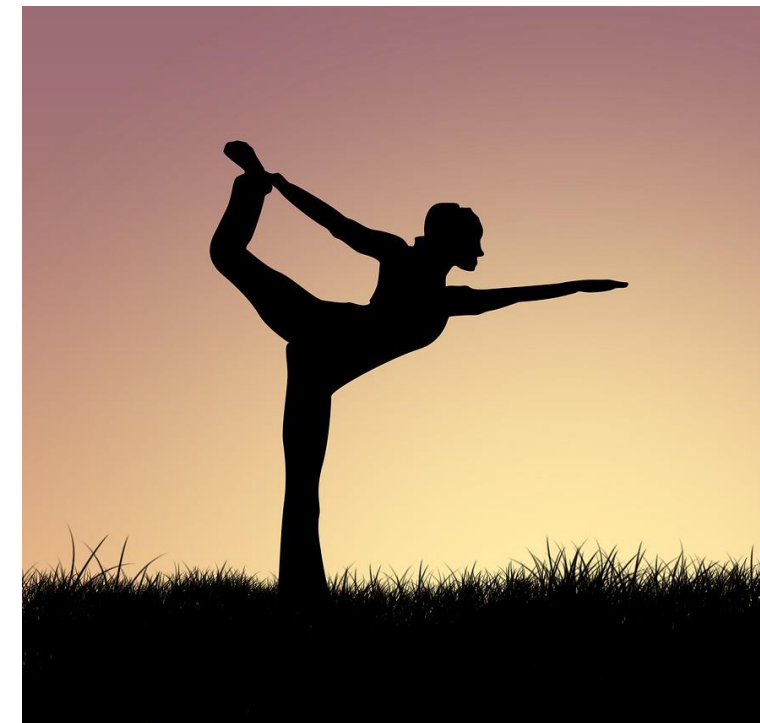
RIGHT AGING

Duties and rights as an aging person



GOOD AGING

Focus on the well-being



How should
aging be
defined?

BIOLOGICAL

Related to time

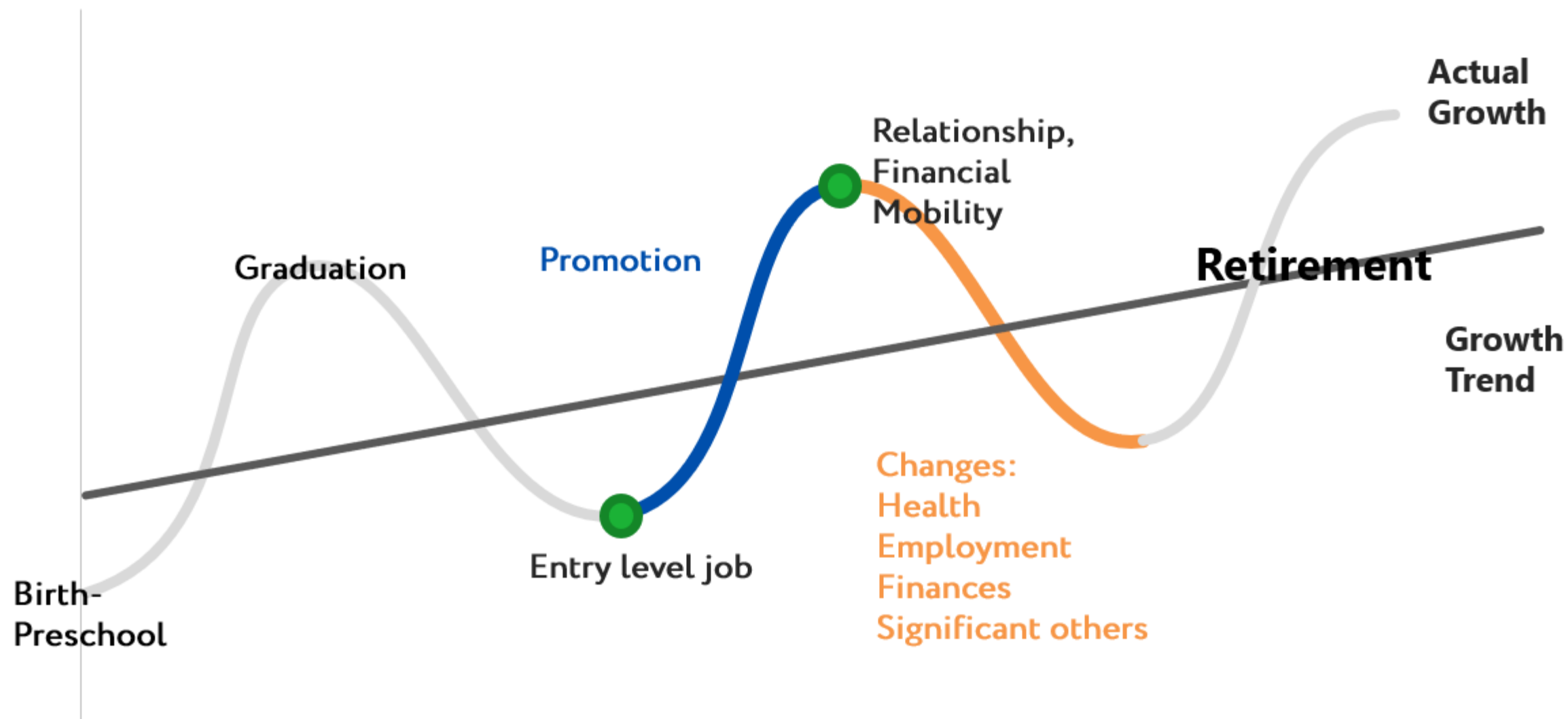
- Functional decline

ETHICAL

Wisdom

- Experience

PHASES IN AGING





Technology



The study of ethics is a conscious reflection on moral beliefs with the aim of clarifying, refining and adapting the beliefs to new situations.

The guiding principle of philosophers are values.

Values



ETHIC OF CARE



Multicultural Ethical Decision-Making Model

Ethical Decision-Making Step	Components of the Process
Identify and define an ethical dilemma	What is the right vs. right issue?
Explore the context of the power	Where am I in the power structure? Where is my client?
Assess acculturation and racial identity developments	Where is my client in acculturation?
Seek consultation	Who do I know is culturally competent?
Generate alternative solutions	What are some options? What are the fears and misgivings about the options?
Select a course of action	What role does the client play in decision-making?
Evaluate the decision	How does this fit with the Code of Ethics?



FAMILY COMMUNICATION TIPS

- 1  **Active listening**
- 2  **Nonverbal communication**
- 3  **Avoid distractions**
- 4  **Scheduling and availability**
- 5  **Past experiences unresolved conflicts**
- 6  **Community resources**

WHAT DO YOU WANT YOUR CARE TO LOOK LIKE?

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Advanced Care Planning







The Conversation Project emphasizes having a conversation on values — what matters to you, not what’s the matter with you.”

- Ellen Goodman, Co-Founder & Director

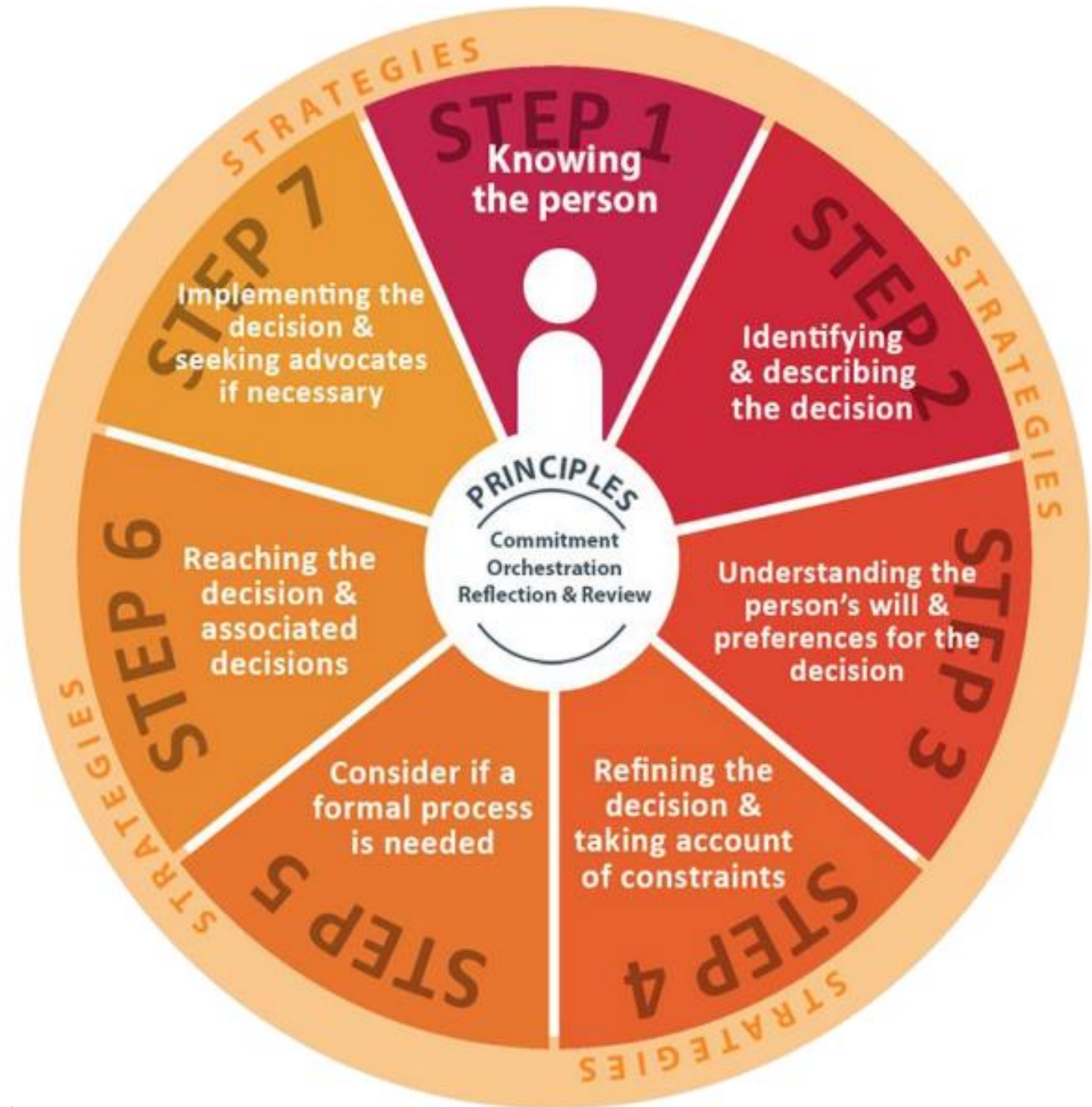




	01	Letter of Intent	Personalized statement for allocating property, pets, etc.
	02	Letter of Instructions	Includes contacts, usernames and passwords, memorial/funeral plans
	03	Letter of Competency	Support the mental capacity at the time the documents were created
	04	Declaration of Right Disposition of Body	Allows you to name someone other than kin.



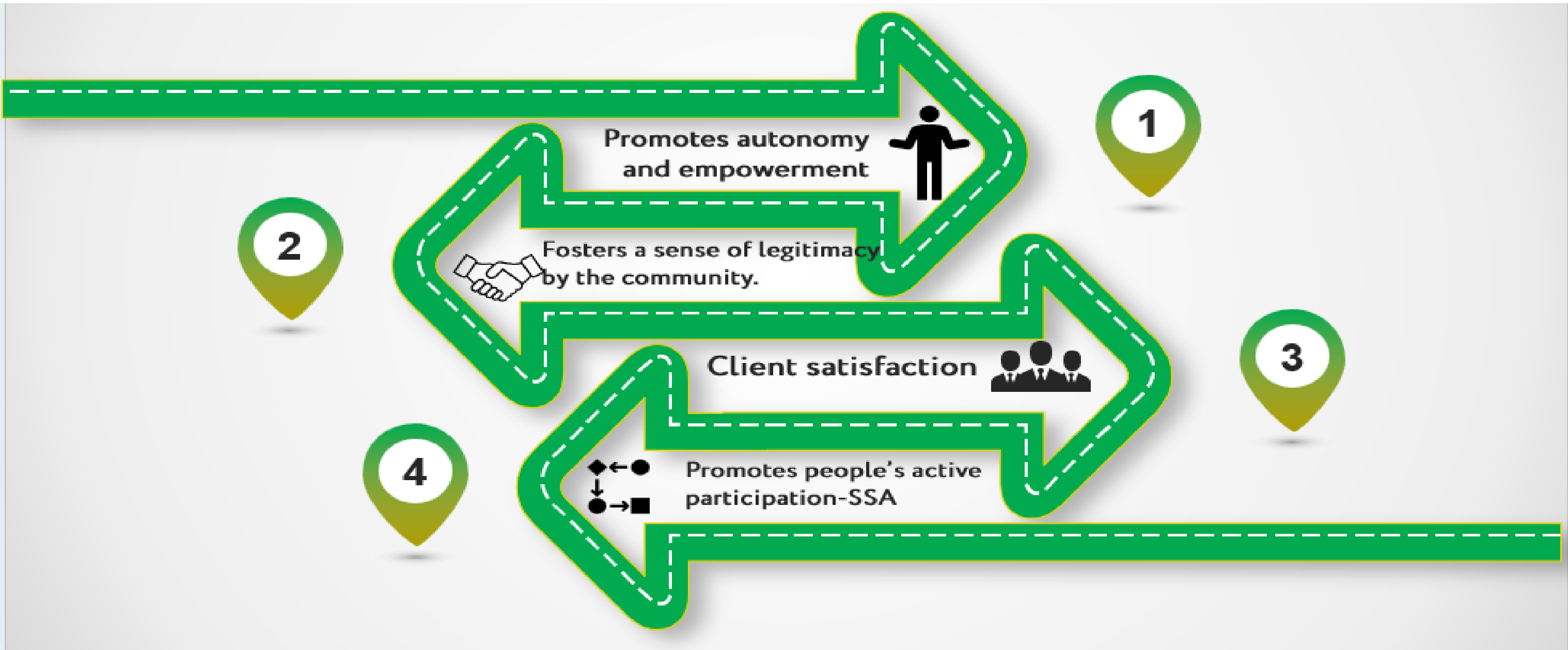
La Trobe Support for Decision-Making Practice Framework



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REASONS TO CONSIDER THIS APPROACH



Supported Decision-Making Agreement

Thank you

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