



BUILDING A FRAMEWORK OF INTEGRATION: THE PACT MODEL

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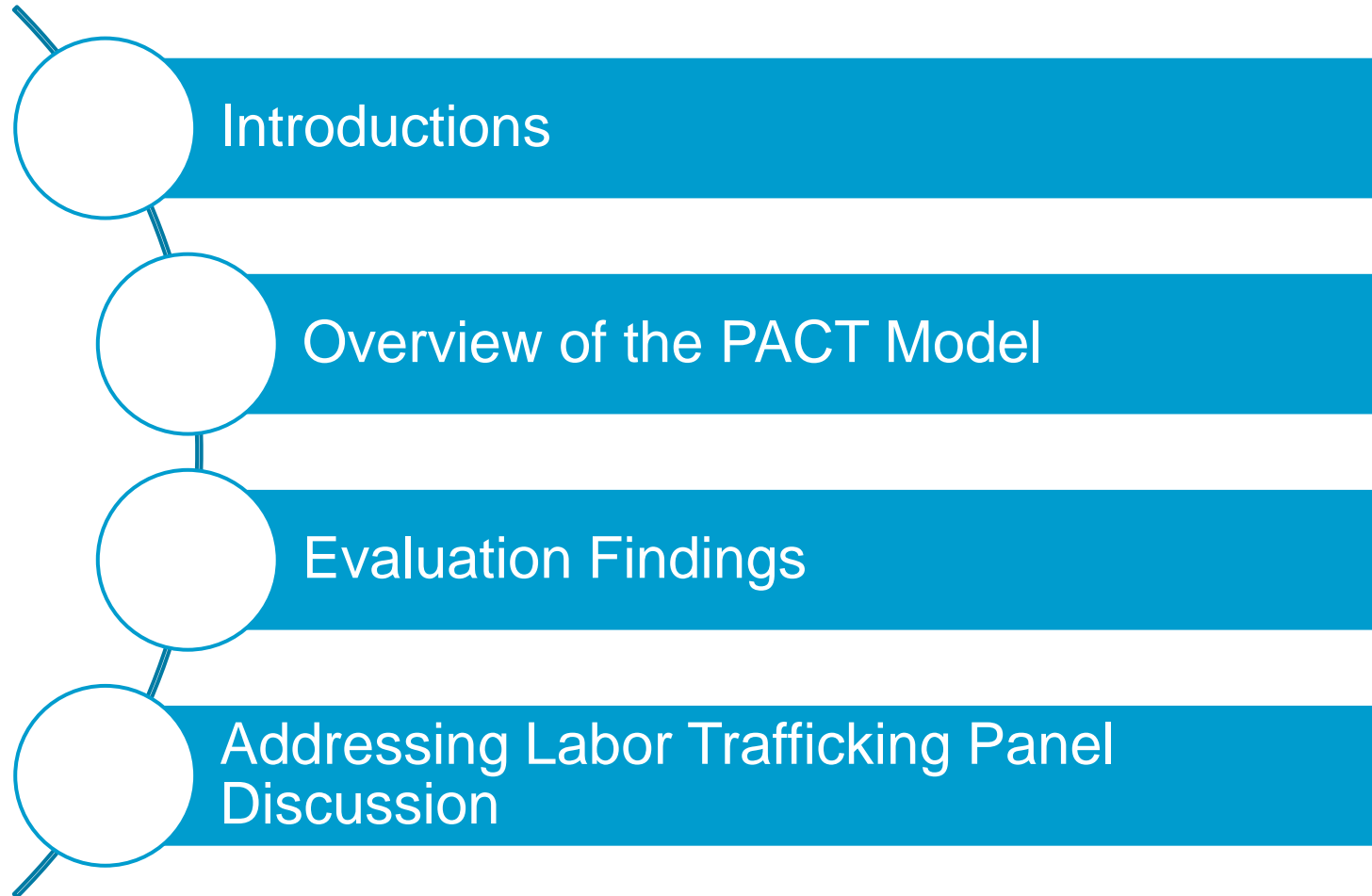
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Session Agenda

Session Objectives

- Review goals of the PACT Model
- Review progress toward the PACT Model
- Share ideas for expanding to address child labor trafficking



What Is The PACT Model?

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A Multi-Disciplinary System to Address Trafficking Within California's Child Welfare Population

- Awarded to: California Department of Social Services (CDSS)
- Contracted to administer grant on behalf of CDSS: Child and Family Policy Institute of CA, Inc.
- Evaluator: Resource Development Associates, Oakland, CA

What Are PACT's Goals?

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Implement a cross-system, interagency collaborative model that effectively serves child sex and labor trafficking victims

Enhance county and state collaborative structures to respond to commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC)



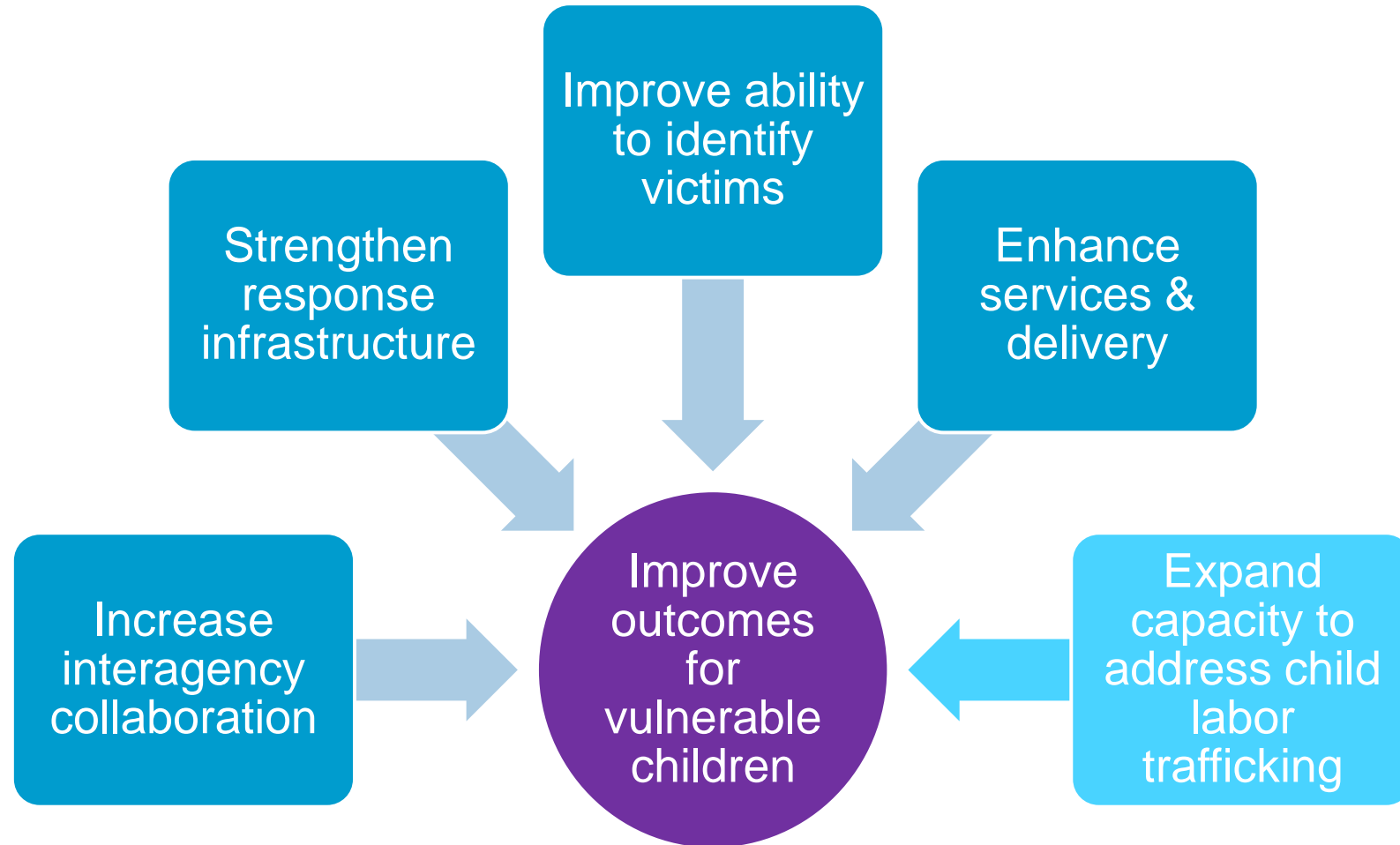
Broaden the CSEC structure to more address child labor trafficking



Disseminate lessons learned and program information

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Increase Interagency Collaboration

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Key Accomplishments

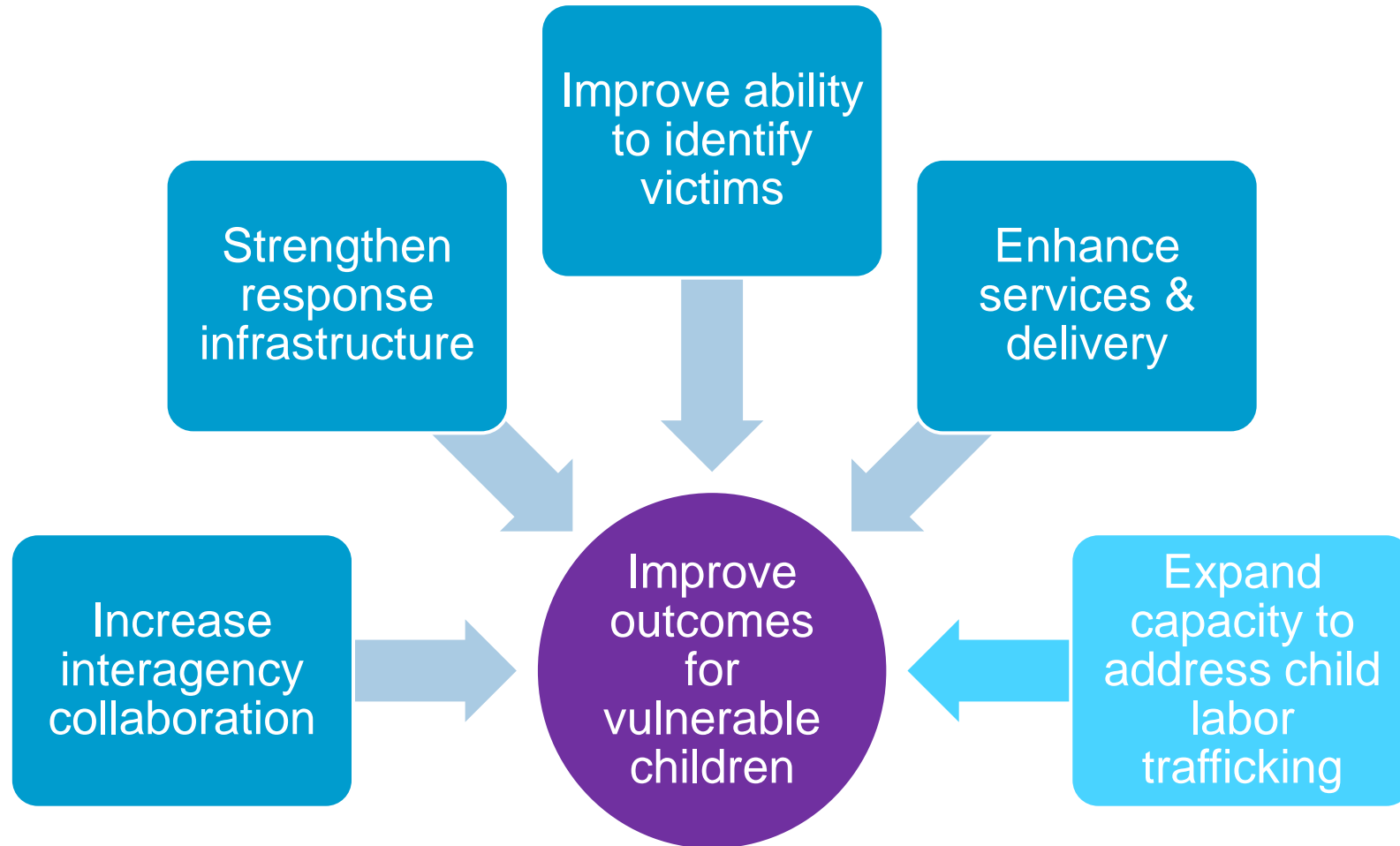
- PACT and non-PACT counties formed interagency committees and protocols
- Multiple agencies are represented at MDTs
- Multiple agencies are attending CSEC-specific trainings

Areas for Growth

- Many counties have continued challenges to engage law enforcement partners
- Interagency data sharing is still limited and can be difficult to implement

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Strengthen Response Infrastructure

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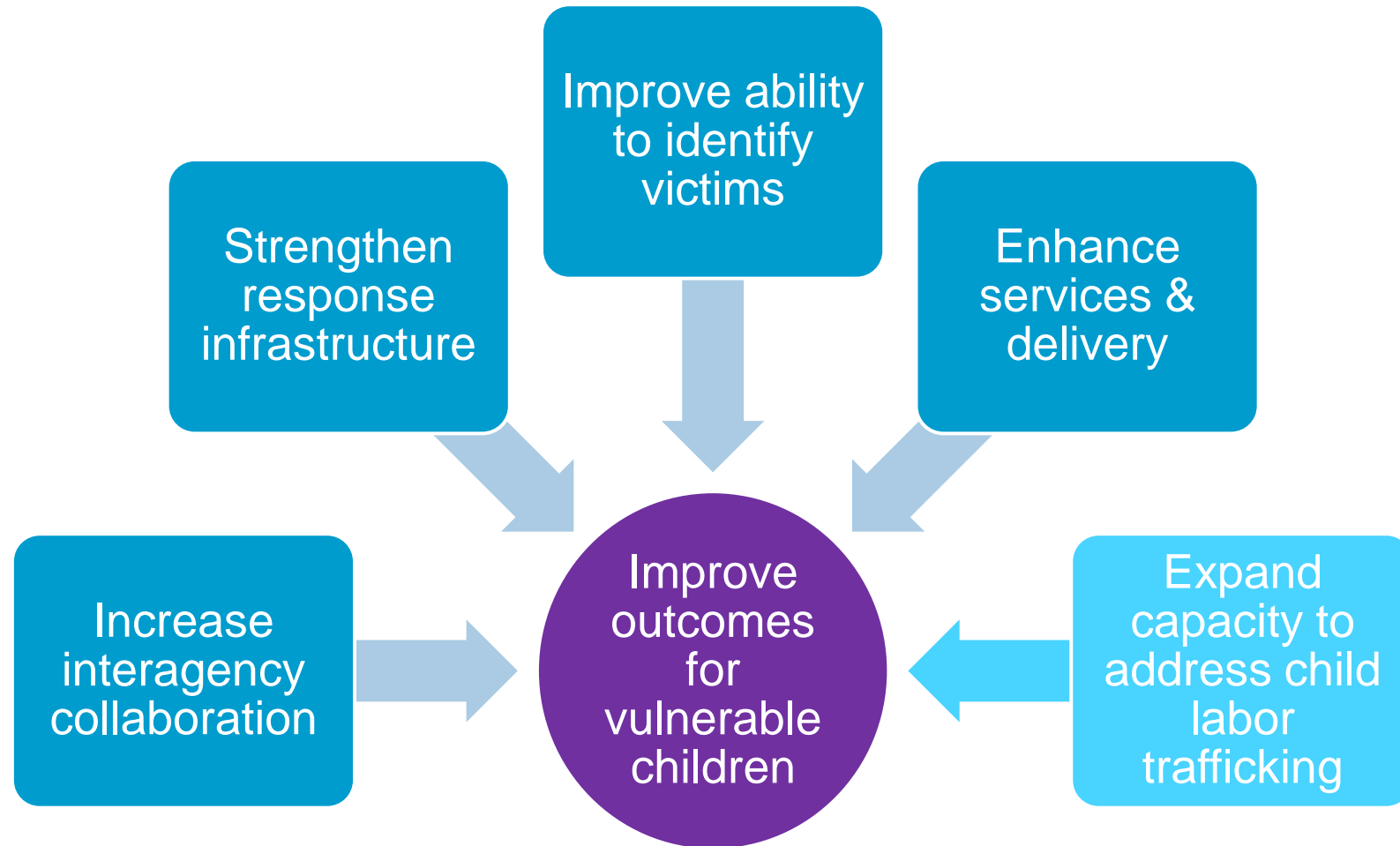
- Many counties have built internal tools and processes to create consistent implementation of CSEC program components
- CSEC 101 trainings are made available to CWS staff and partners

Areas for Growth

- There continue to be additional training needs to support CWS and partner staff
- In some counties, policies and procedures are not implemented fully
- CWS staff continue to experience challenges with CMS/CWS data entry

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Improve Ability to Identify Victims

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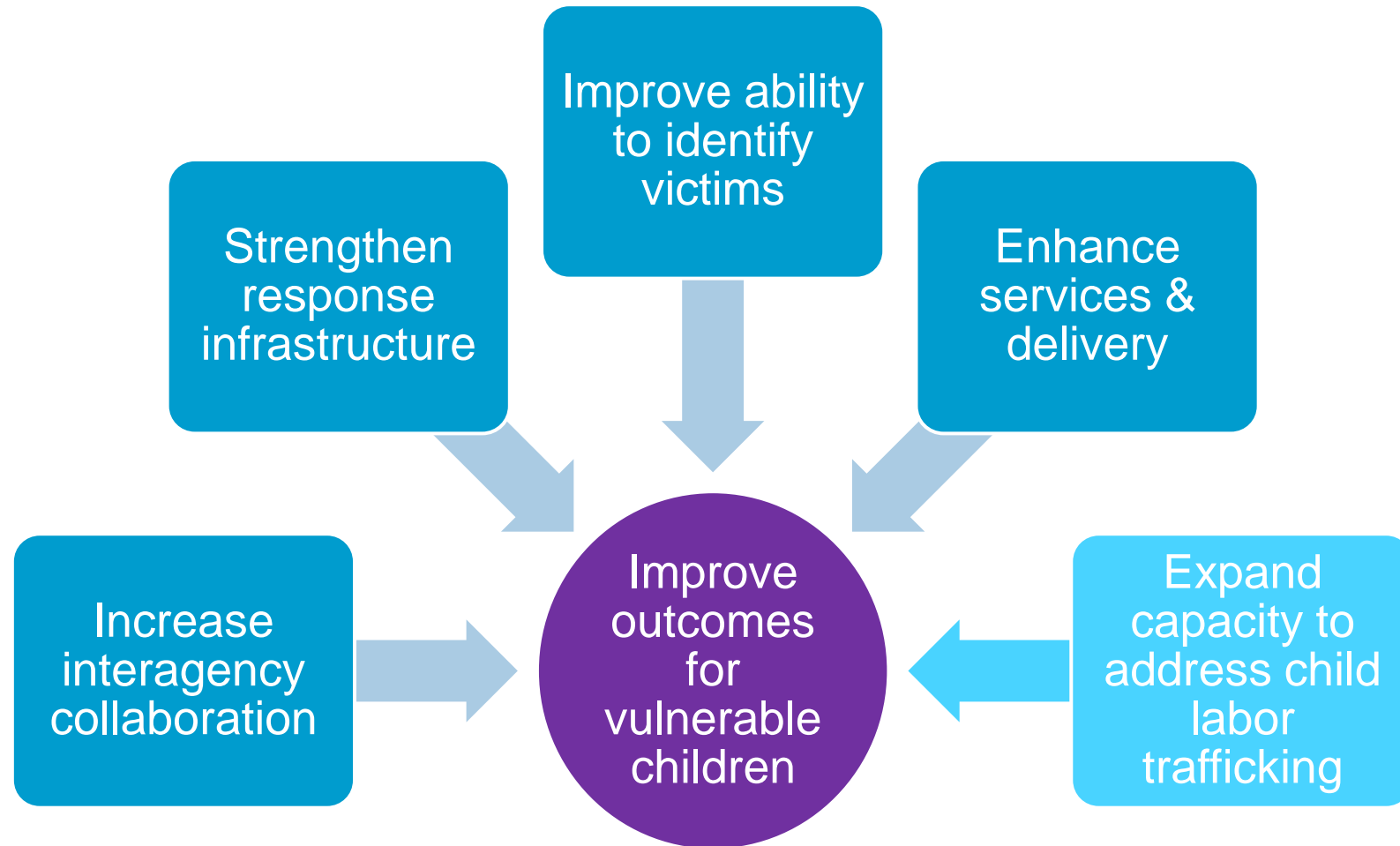
- The majority of counties are using a validated screening tool. Almost all are using the CSE-It tool.
- Many counties have non-CWS partners participating in screening to identify youth who have been trafficked

Areas for Growth

- It is difficult to track and access screening results in real-time and to re-assess youth
- CWS staff have some concern that CSE-IT tool may result in over-reporting of at-risk youth

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Enhance Services & Delivery

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Key Accomplishments

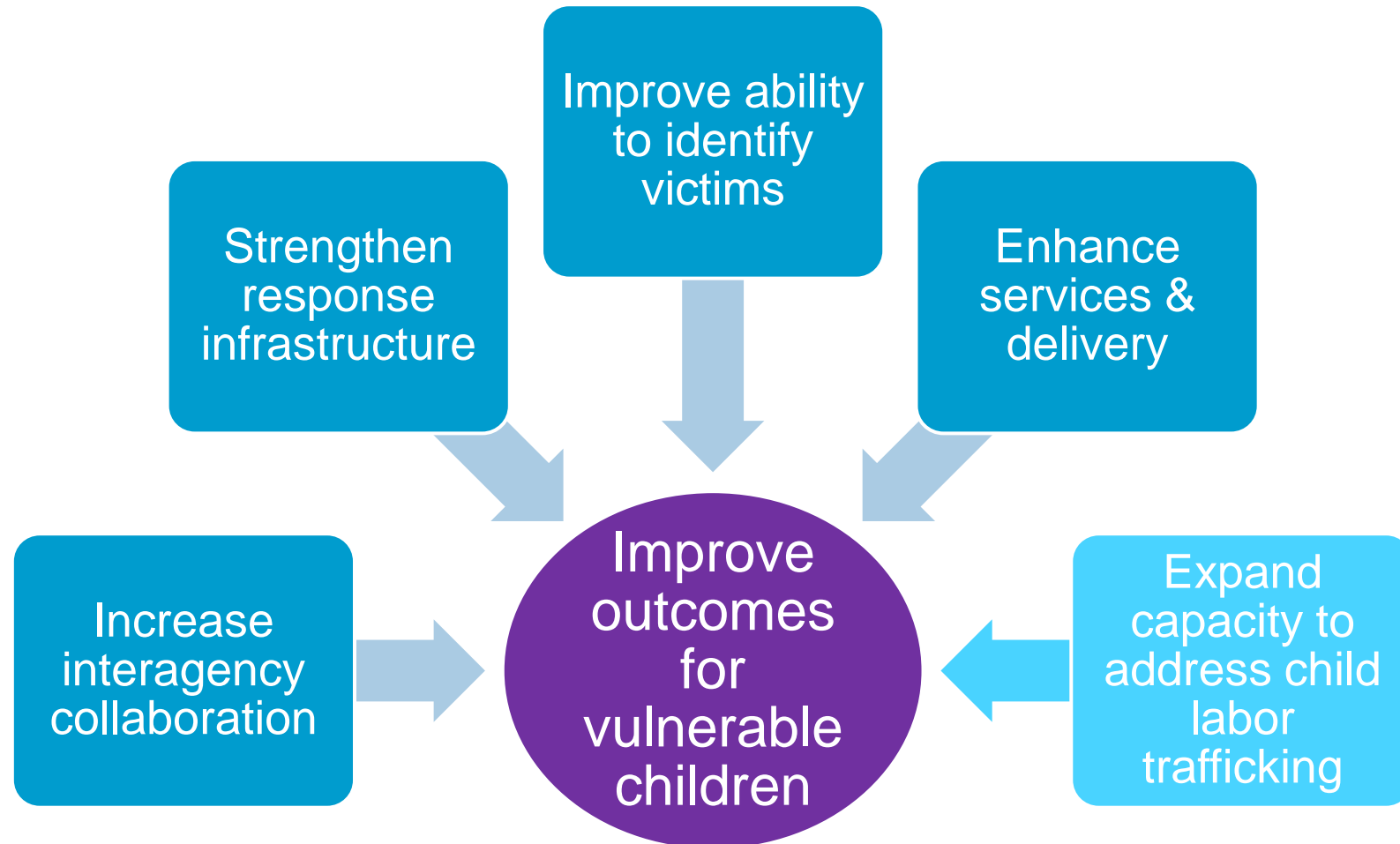
- A growing number of counties have services specifically for youth who have been trafficked
- Many services take a “whole child” approach to aid the transition to adulthood

Areas for Growth

- There is a persistent shortage in placements for youth who have been trafficked
- There are gaps in specialized mental health services to address trauma of trafficking
- There are gaps in services to support parents and families of youth who have been trafficked

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Preliminary Data

- Labor Trafficking Readiness Assessment
- Interviews with CSEC Coordinators
- Focus Groups with Child Welfare Staff

Expand Capacity to Address Child Labor Trafficking

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Preliminary Finding 1:
Counties' efforts to implement the CSEC program are a strong foundation for addressing child labor trafficking

County Example:

In one county, stakeholder engagement is very high and social workers highlighted that they have the opportunity to leverage that engagement to begin work to address child labor trafficking.

Expand Capacity to Address Child Labor Trafficking

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Preliminary Finding 2: The majority of counties' internal and interagency protocols and policies currently do not explicitly address child labor trafficking

County Example:

According to one CSEC Coordinator, while she's able to get people thinking about child labor trafficking, there have been no formal steps to address it.

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Preliminary Finding 3: There are opportunities to improve resources and processes to serve youth who have been labor trafficked

County Example:

A CSEC social worker highlighted that, before the county begins screening children for labor trafficking, the county needs to have the infrastructure in place to link them to appropriate placements and services, and to ensure staff are prepared to work with them.

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Panel Discussion: Addressing Child Labor Trafficking