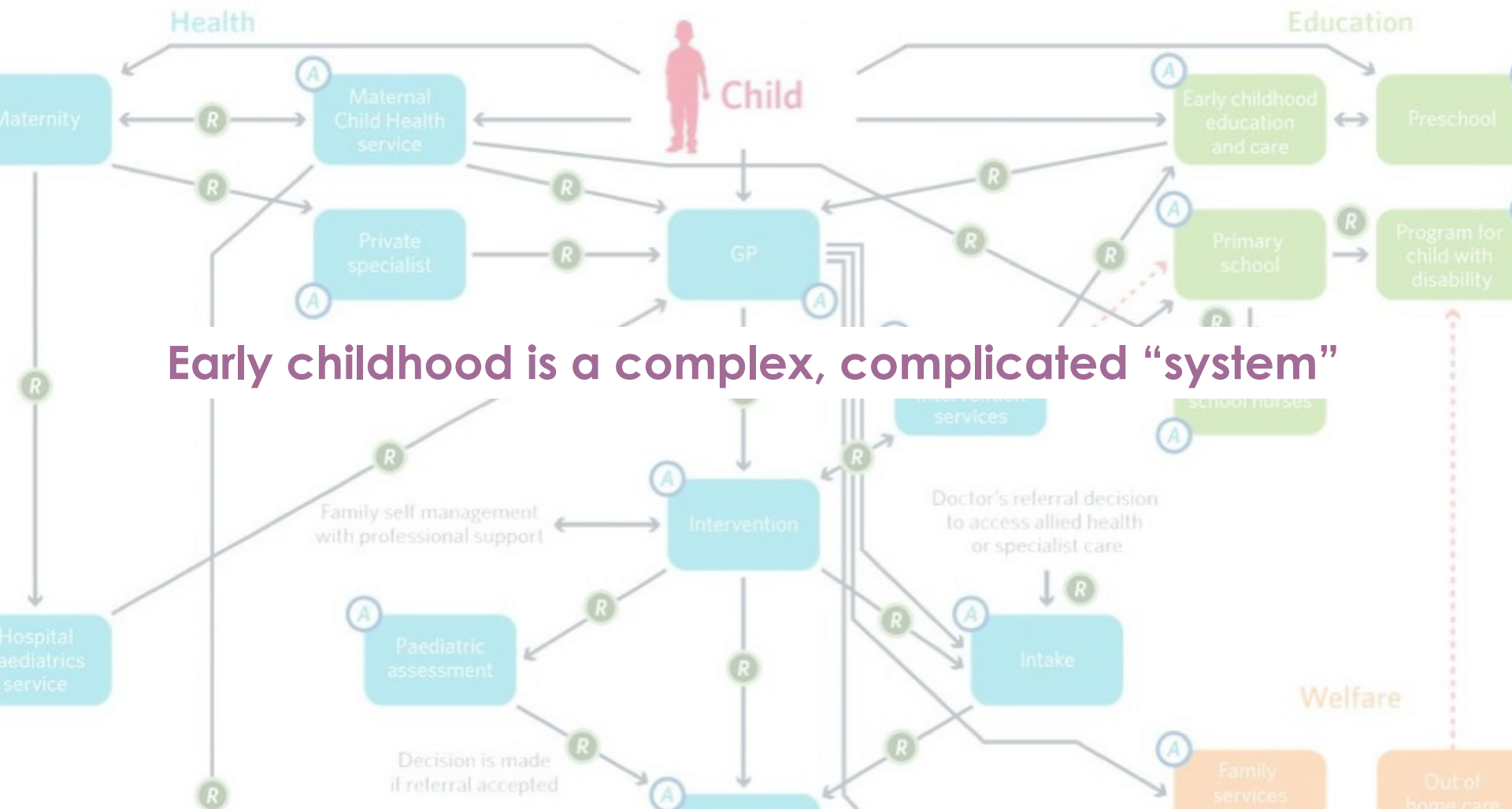


EXPLORING
OPPORTUNITIES FOR SOCIAL INNOVATION

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Early childhood is a complex, complicated "system"

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Essential supports for young children

Early Childhood Education

Health

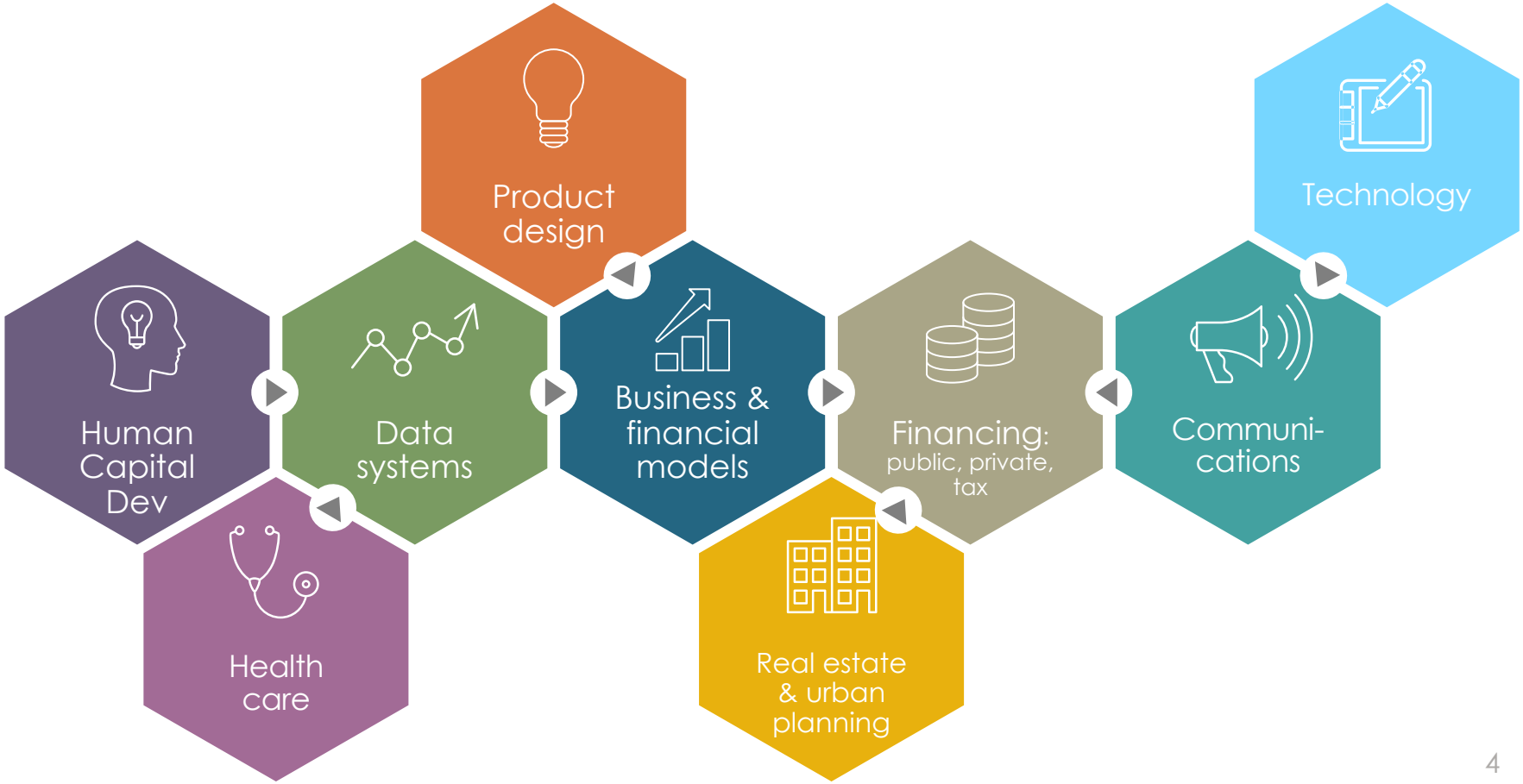


Parents & Families

Neighborhood & Community

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Building blocks of the Early Childhood system that relate to corporate assets





The Early Childhood Innovation Prize

To ***accelerate the sourcing, testing and funding*** of new ideas to tackle challenges in early childhood.

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The Early Childhood Innovation Prize

***How might we* maximize every child's potential during their first three years of life?**

REASONS GCI LAUNCHED A PRIZE:

- ✧ Seek breakthrough ideas
- ✧ Harness new talent
- ✧ Accelerate and scale solutions

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PROBLEM AREAS & GAPS:

1. Early Experiences

The quality of child care is low – need for more affordable, reliable and high quality care

Providers are struggling - How could we make the business model better and improve financing structures for providers

2. Supporting Families

Parents need more support during their children's earliest years, including technology and non-technology solutions

3. Leveraging People and Places

We could be *leveraging communities better* to support young children with neighborhood physical spaces and human assets

4. Teacher Shortage

Recruitment, retention and compensation of teachers is at a critical stage – in CO, we will need between 33-43% more teachers over the next 8 years

Leveraging People & Places

Top Idea

EARLY INNOVATOR

The Conscious Connect Launchpad to Learning

Reimagining neighborhood spaces – like barber shops – for the purpose of early literacy and ending urban book deserts.



Leveraging People & Places

Top Idea

EARLY INNOVATOR

City of Boston Early Educator Space

Addressing the shortage of infant toddler care by leveraging city *housing solutions* to retain and expand family child care.



Surprise Us

Top Idea

NEW INNOVATOR

earlymattersdallas
A Historic Coalition on Early Education

Early Matters Dallas Mission Possible

Rethinking of the *economics of child care* to meet the shortage of licensed spaces through a collective impact model.



Early Experiences Matter

Top Idea

ADVANCED INNOVATOR

Wildflower Schools

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Disrupting the current early care *business model* with a scalable platform for micro-schools.



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pie for providers

Pie for Providers

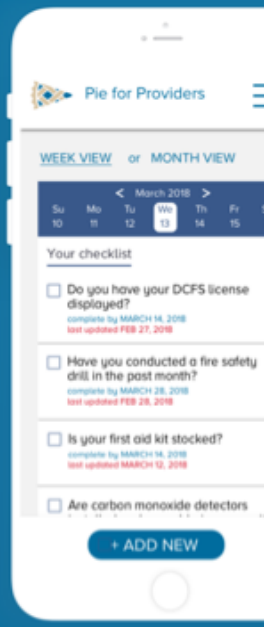
Providing back office support for family child care providers to reduce the administrative and regulatory burden of running the business.



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Licensing & Accreditation

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Corporate Assets

- Platforms
- Products
- Processes
- People

