

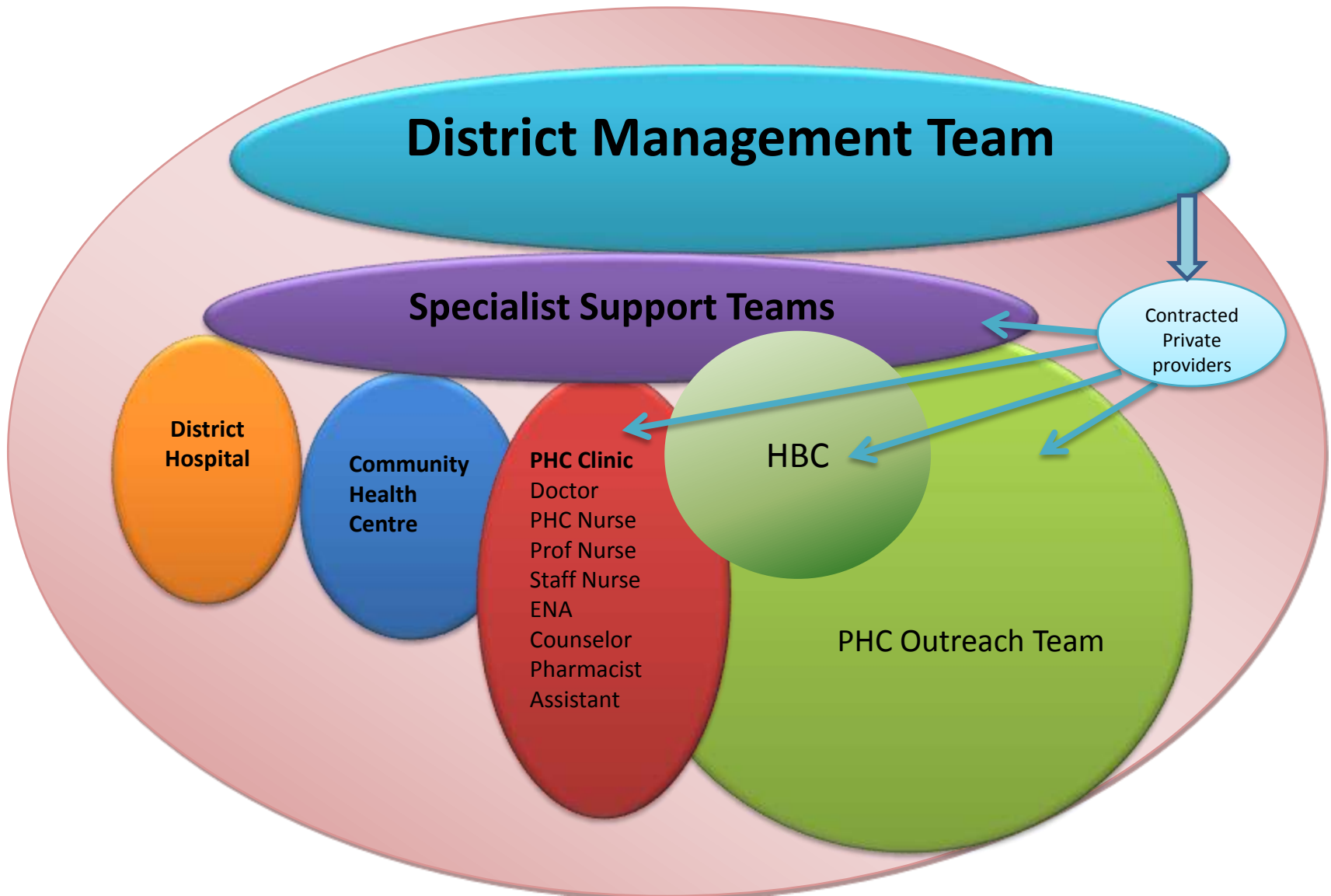
Towards a Strategy for Integrating HBC into the Re-engineering of PHC

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The NDOH Strategy for Re-engineering PHC



Comprehensive CHW roles

	Maternal Neonatal Child Health	HIV & TB	Chronic Non – communicDiseases	Violence & Injury
HOUSEHOLDS				
Screening, assessment & referral	Pregnant women, newborn & infants	HIV Testing, regular CD4, early HAART, TB symptoms	Screen for hypertension, diabetes	Substance abuse, domestic violence
Information & education	Feeding, hand washing, Oral Rehydration Therapy (ORT)		Diet, exercise, lifestyle	
Psychosocial support		Integrated approach to adherence support		Victim support
Basic home treatment	ORT, worms, refer pneumonia, Vitamin A		Foot care	First aid

Essential Elements of the Re-engineering of PHC Strategy

- From clinics to homes
- Community Outreach / PHC Teams
- Mass employment of CHW's
- Reduce mortality rates
- Quadruple burden of disease
- Surveillance, health promotion and prevention

Major Gap

- What about the very ill patient?
- What about the patient who requires home based care?

SANAC Symposium Recommendations regarding Home Based Care (HBC)

Rec. 3.1 The country still requires HBCs and some of the current cadre will continue to do this work.

Support	Total 91%	Civil Soc. 94%	Labour 92%	Gov. 85%	Inter. Org. 86%
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Rec. 3.2 HBC workers should form part of the PHC team and consideration should be given to government employing them.

Support	Total 93%	Civil Soc. 96%	Labour 88%	Gov. 92%	Inter. Org. 83%
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Rec. 3.3 HBC work should remain an NPO/NGO competency, including employment, training, monitoring and supervision.

Support	Total 65%	Civil Soc. 75%	Labour 57%	Gov. 57%	Inter. Org. 57%
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Rec. 7.1 CHWs and HBCs should be professionally recognized, and a professional qualification with national accreditation should be developed for both CHWs and HBCs.

Support	Total 98%	Civil Soc. 98%	Labour 100%	Gov. 96%	Inter. Org. 100%
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3 Major Challenges to Home Based Care in South Africa

- Lack of role definition
- No standardization or regulation
- Limited coordination

Re-engineering of PHC

An opportunity to address HBC Challenges

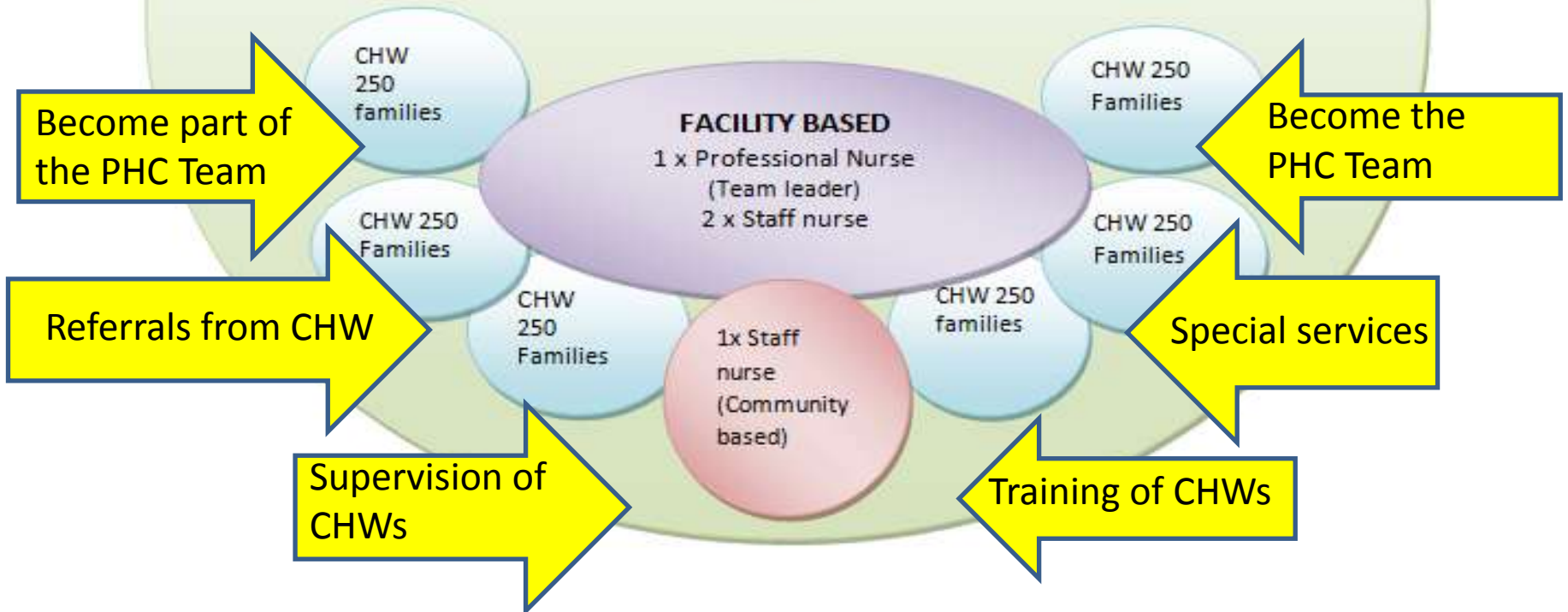
- It provides a framework and context for defining the role of HBC
- Once the role of the HBC worker is defined, standardisation and regulation in terms of scope of work, conditions of employment and qualifications framework is bound to follow
- It provides a geographical context for co-ordinating the work of HBCarers
- The re-engineering of PHC provides and defines the space for HBC as an important, necessary and legitimate part of PHC in South Africa.

Strategic Positioning of NGOs

community

PHC OUTREACH TEAM

Responsible for providing Primary Health Care to 1500 Families.
Community Services including schools, crèches, & early learning centres. Preventative, promotive, curative & rehabilitative services



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1. HBC must be part of any comprehensive PHC strategy
2. There is a need for a co-ordinated strategy for integrating HBC into the re-engineering of PHC in South Africa

Ten Point Plan for Integrating HBC into the Re-engineering of PHC

1. Establish a HBC Task Group to develop and advocate the role of HBC as an integral part of the re-engineering of PHC
2. Define the role of the HBC giver within the context of the re-engineering of PHC strategy
3. Form a HBC forum / network in each of the 10 NHI pilot districts
4. Identify HBC organisations that wish to integrate their services with the re-engineering of PHC
5. Establish a working relationship / modus operandi with Ward Based PHC Outreach Teams in each NHI pilot district

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6. Provide training for CHW on identifying patients who require HBC
7. Co-ordinate and provide HBC in terms of its defined role as an integral part of the Ward Based PHC Outreach Teams
8. Strengthen the capacity of HBC organisations to provide HBC in terms of the re-engineering of PHC
9. Monitor and evaluate the role and contribution of HBC givers within the context of the Ward Based PHC Outreach Teams
10. Develop a qualifications framework for HBC givers based upon their defined role within the Re-engineering of PHC strategy

Way forward

- Joint Primary Health Care Forum (JPHCF) will convene a HBC Task Group drawn from major HBC organisations in SA
- The HBC Task Group will draft a proposal to the NDOH for integrating HBC into the re-engineering of PHC

Discussion