# Whole Person Health: Integrating Services to Treat the Whole Person

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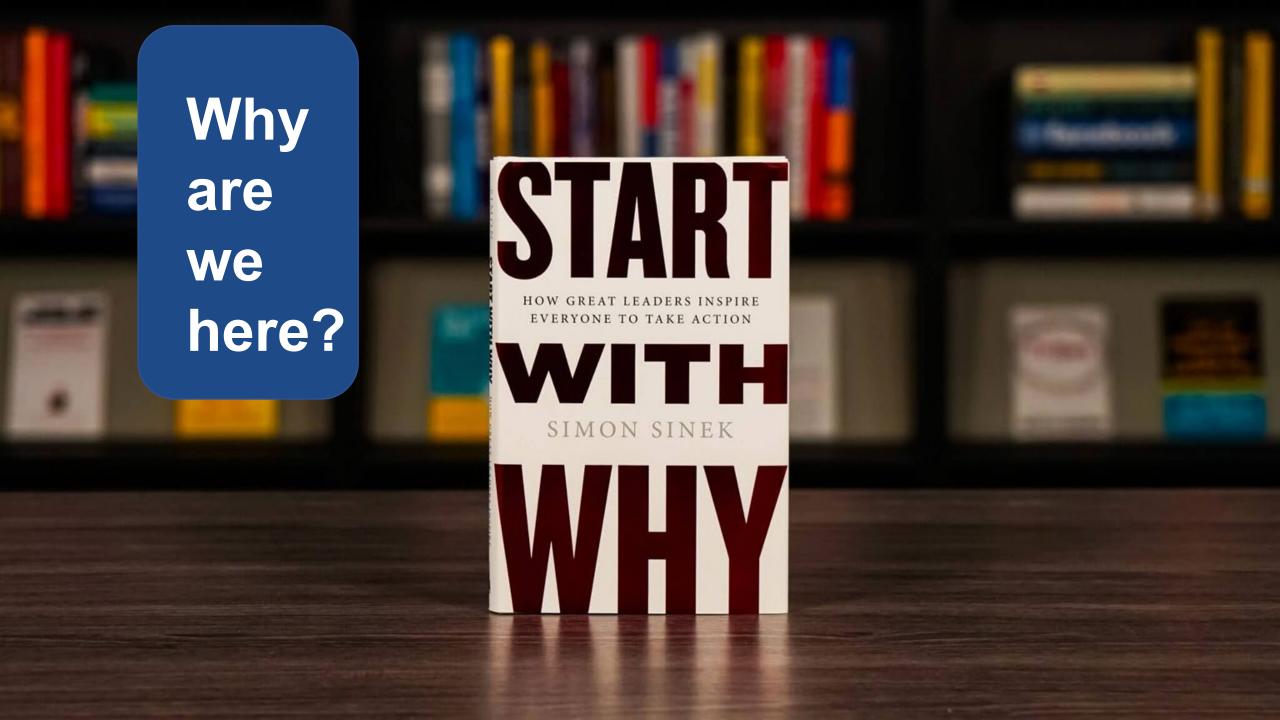
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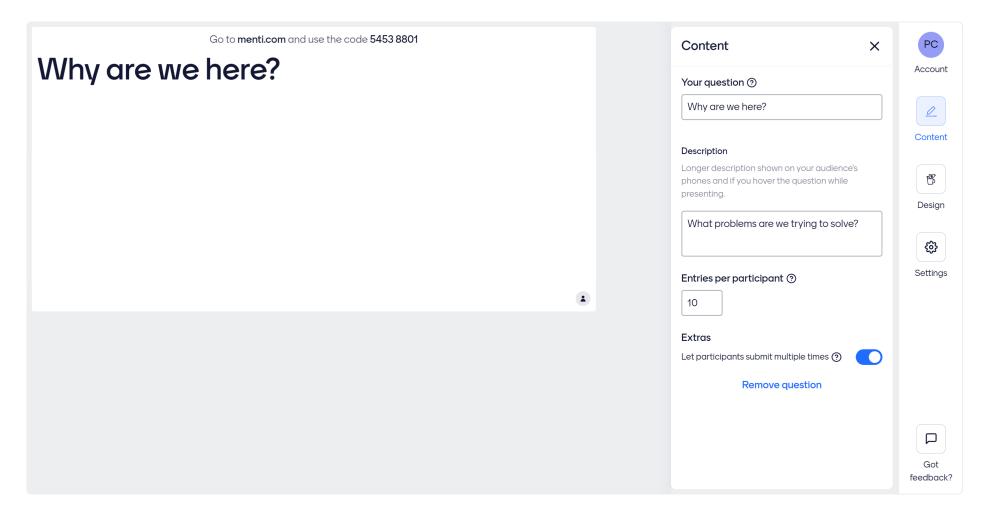
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### Starting with why





#### Why are we stuck?

#### Where should we go?

Long wait lists



Open access for all

These challenges can be attributed to the dominant socioeconomic scarcity

paradigm

Not everyone seeking help needs intensive services



Multiple and diverse care options

Services and systems are built on Euro-centric approaches

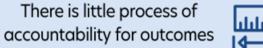


Diverse and culturally responsive programming

development & delivery

Resources become abundant within a synergy paradigm

Current care practices, policies & procedures create barriers. Innovation is difficult to support.





Outcome & therapeutic measurement are built into every care encounter

Care monitoring system supports more flexible

and creative, culturally responsive program

We have no mental health "system"

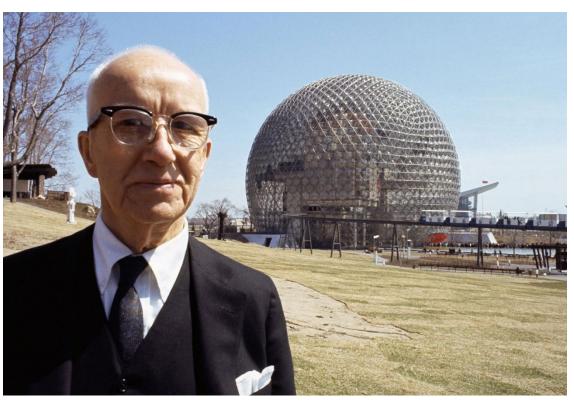


SC2.0 provides a framework for organizing a flexible system of care



#### Cultivating synergy in architecture

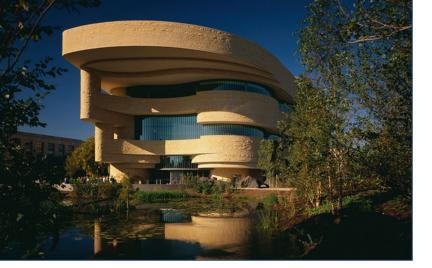
- Geodesic dome
- Individual metal rods, nuts and bolts become so much more when arranged thoughtfully
- The whole is greater than the sum of the parts.



Buckminster Fuller, architect, systems theorist, designer, inventor

"Synergy means behavior of whole systems unpredicted by the behavior of their parts taken separately" (Fuller, 1975).

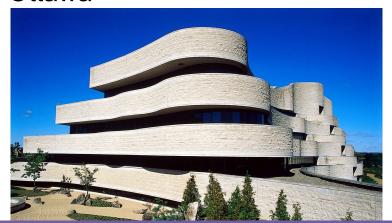




# The Work of Indigenous Architect Douglas Cardinal

National Museum of the American Indian, Washington, DC

Canadian Museum of History, Ottawa





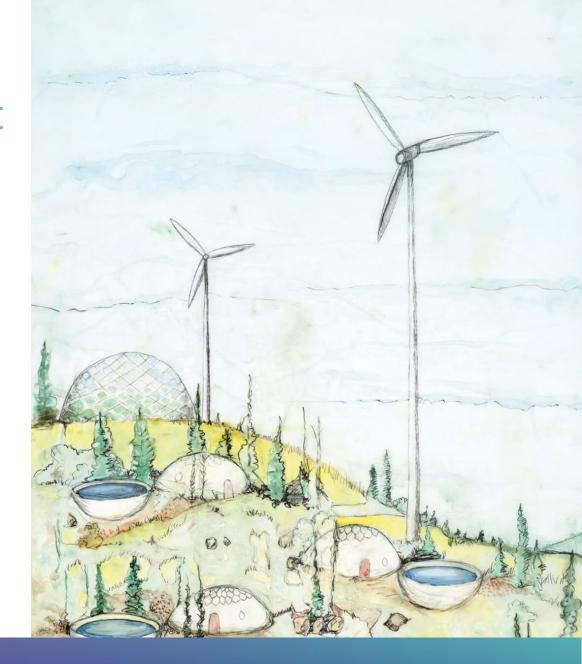


# Synergy & SC2.0: Braiding Ancient & Modern Wisdom

- It is sustainable.
- It is central to all successful civilizations.
- It allows for the co-existence of the modern & traditional.



Heather Campbell. 7th Generation Inuit Community, 2015. Pen, ink, litho crayon, and pencil crayon on Mylar. Ms. Campbell group up in Kikiak (Rigolet), Nunatsiavut, Labrador, a small fly-in community of just over 300 people



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What: The promise of synergy



### The socio-economics of synergy

The SC2.0 model is grounded in a philosophy of *synergy*.

"Synergy refers to a pattern by which phenomena relate to one another—they come together, creating a new, greater, and often-unexpected whole from disparate, even conflicting parts. When synergy exists, resources become expanding, renewable, and widely accessible"

(Katz & Murphy-Shigematsu, 2012).

A mindset and mechanism for abundance



### Synergy: Pushing through stasis

"Diversity is a corporate strategy. It's a strategy designed to ensure that the institution functions in the same way that it functioned before [...] It's a difference that doesn't make a difference."

-Angela Davis



Synergy:
energy for
social justice
and
sustainable
growth





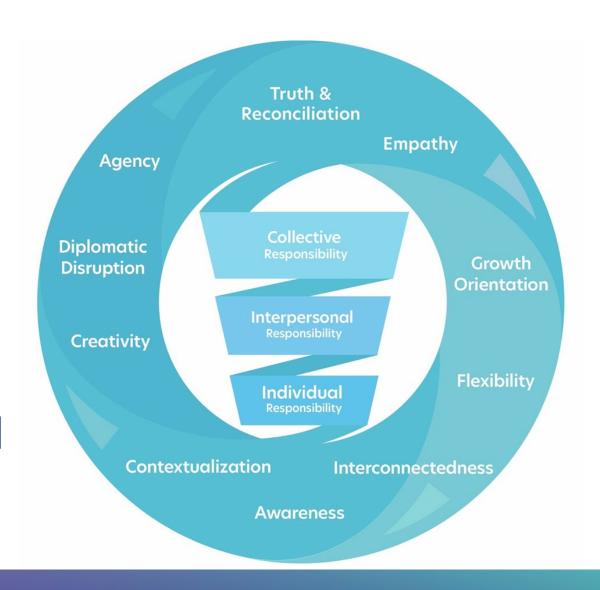
"Everyone is welcome" is drastically different from "we built this with you in mind."

People don't want to go where they are merely tolerated, they want to go where they are included.



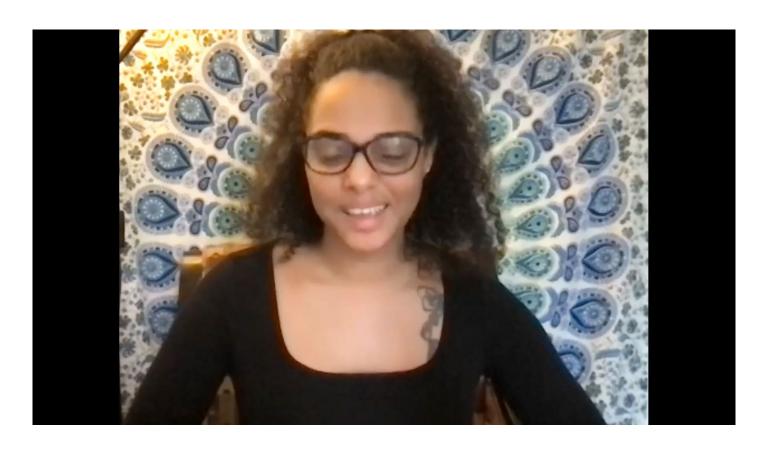
#### Synergy and people

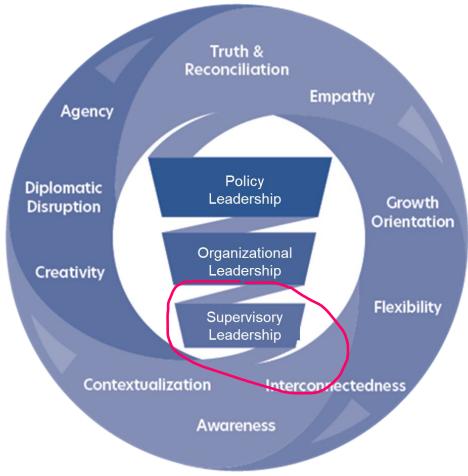
Synergy is produced when these ten pillars are internalized and operationalized at each level of a mental health care system by distributing Individual, Interpersonal, and Collective responsibility.





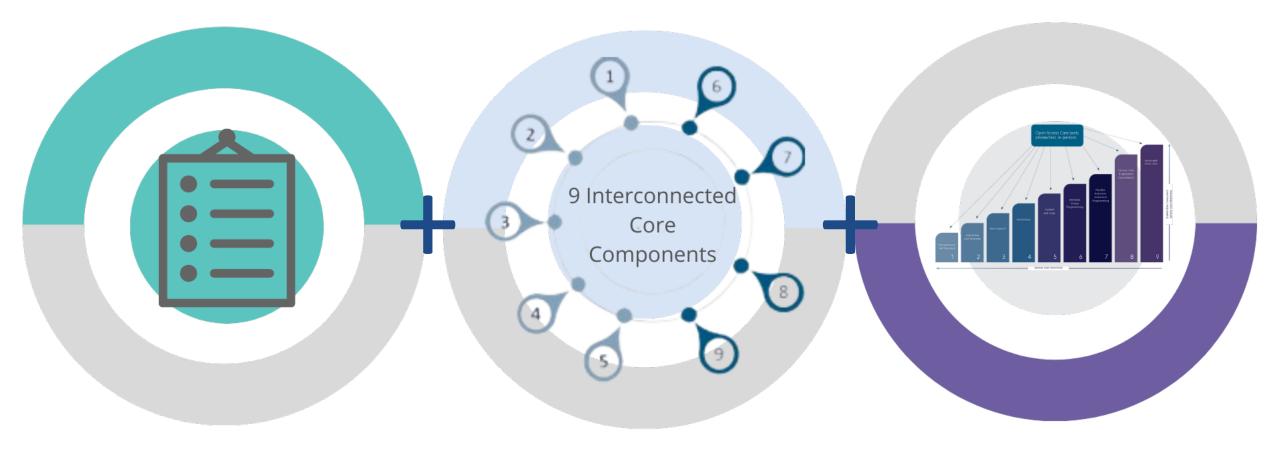
### Mentoring with synergy







How: Synergy can be operationalized by implementing Stepped Care 2.0



**Guiding Principles** 

Core components

Planning Framework



#### What is SC2.0? A Set of Guiding Principles for Transformation



Social justice drives effective care systems transformation and is an intervention in itself



6 Mental health literacy is required for people to make informed decisions



Multiple and diverse care options are required as one approach will not work for everyone



7 People have access to care when and where it is needed



All individuals and communities have strength and capacity



The whole is greater than the sum of its parts; the strength of the system relies on multilevel collaboration



People engage with what they are ready to do; gold standard intervention is that which best fits the service user at any given time



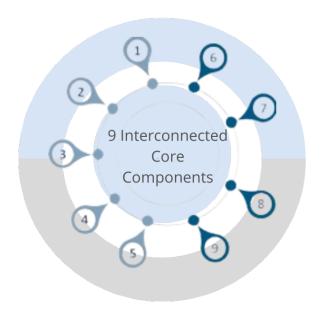
9 Minimal interventions can produce powerful results



Professionals do not carry all the wisdom; people often know what is best for them



O There is no ideal solution; trial-anderror leads to growth and change



### Core components

Core components are the essential elements, or key ingredients that are required for SC2.0 to fully function as intended.

# SC2.0 has nine core components that belong to one of two categories:

#### 1. Systems Design, and Improvement

These inform the initial design and describe the essential ingredients of the system.

Includes:

- Co-design
- Continuous Improvement
- Informal and formal options
- Dispersing risk

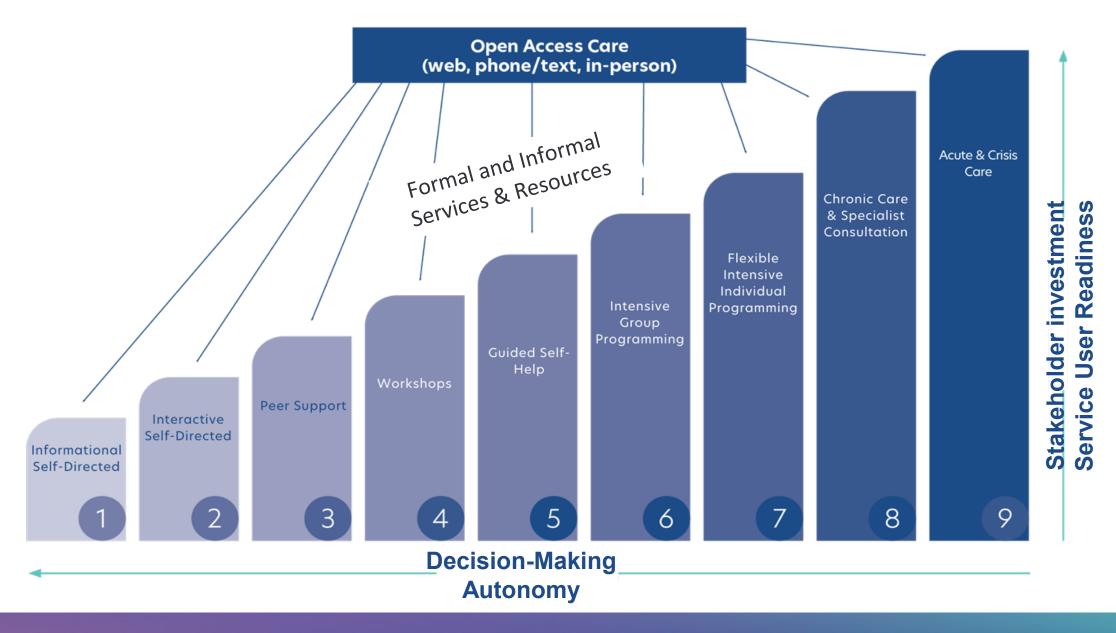
#### 2. Care Experience

These define the experiences of people accessing services and resources in the systems of care.

Includes:

- Recovery-orientation
- Person-centricity
- Flexible access
- One-at-a-Time thinking
- Collaborative
- Data-informed







#### What is SC2.0? Client Choice

Insert client video (20 secs) about choice in SC2.0

### Where: At 3 Levels of Leadership





# Where does synergy grow?

#### At the policy level

- **Bold vision**
- Diplomatic disruption
- Cross-sectoral partnerships
- Integration of population-level prevention and clinic-based care
- Creative workforce expansion



IN **SUPERVISION**  autonomy

## Where: In Clinical Training & Supervision



#### Program Level Challenges

Challenge 1: A lack of empowerment and support for workforce to operate from an authentic place, limited flexibility to try new approaches, and to practice with maximum impact

Challenge 2: Training programs have not evolved to meet the needs of our society or workforce providing instead education based primarily on rigid Euro-centric or Westernized approaches



# Synergy: Breaking the "stranglehold of Eurocentric psychology?"

(Katz & Murphy-Shigematsu, 2012)

- "The model of collaboration, which can release synergy in healing resources, can help break the stranglehold of mainstream psychology.
- Collaboration exists when two apparently conflicting approaches to therapeutic services, such as traditional Indigenous healing approaches and mainstream Western psychology therapies—which express two apparently conflicting worldviews—work together to provide clients with a larger, more inclusive set of healing resources.
- The collaboration can occur because there is mutual respect between the two approaches, allowing each to maintain its unique contributions while supporting proper channels of mutual referral."





Create environments
where clinicians and
health educators practice
with responsible
autonomy

Population health and clinical strategies must evolve...

Outcome
assessments on impacts on
communities and families rather
than only individuals

Provide multiple options across the care continuum, including informal (non-Eurocentric) care



# Current Organizational Challenges

Challenge 1: A reactive downstream approach, using unsustainable methods to meet clinical demand and respond to crises. This leads to burnout, and resistance to change

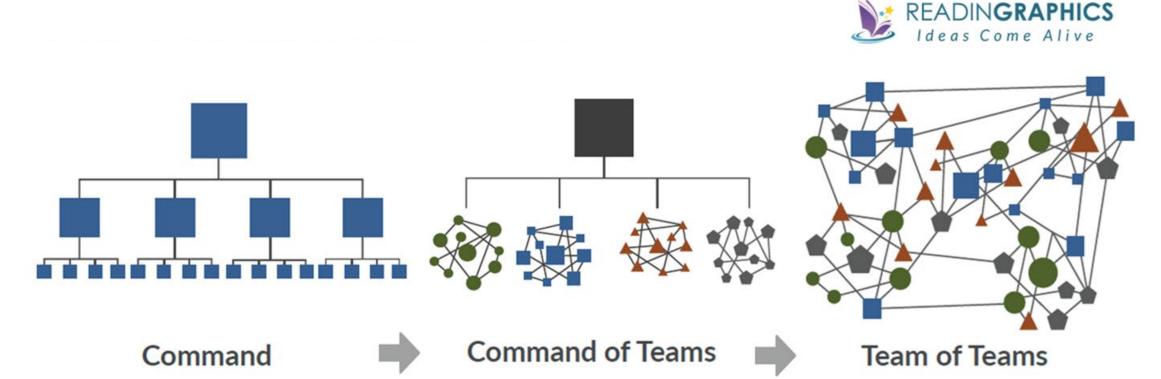
Challenge 2: A lack of infrastructure and support for change management including resources for innovation and implementation expertise







# From command structure to team of teams



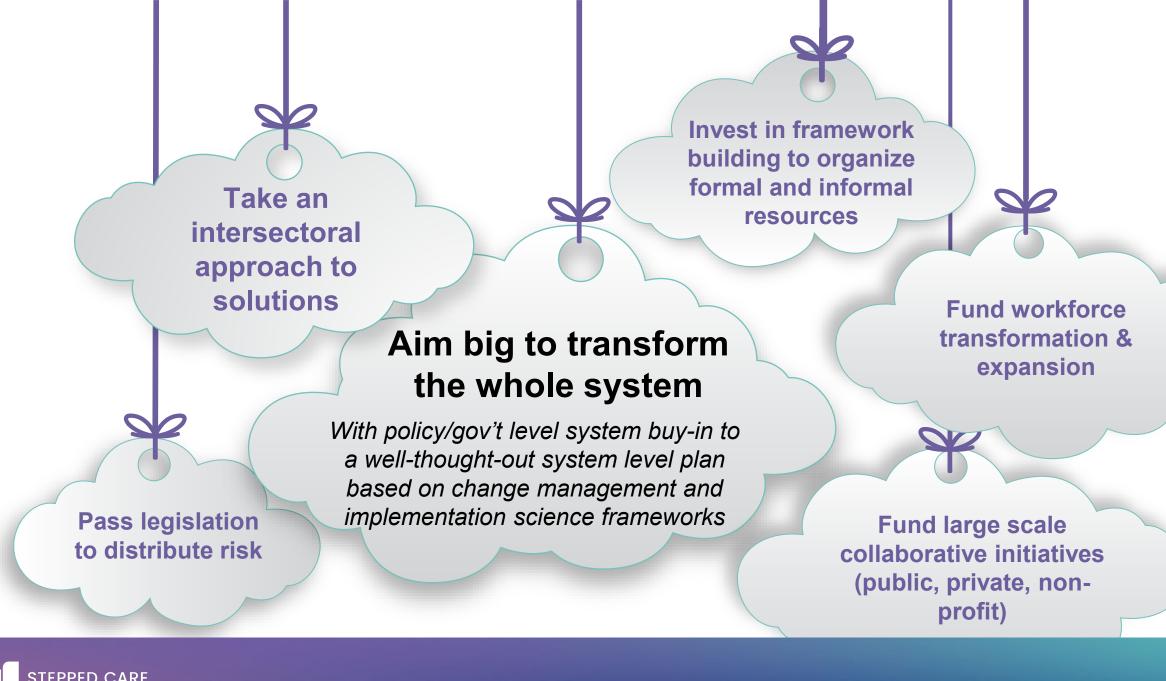


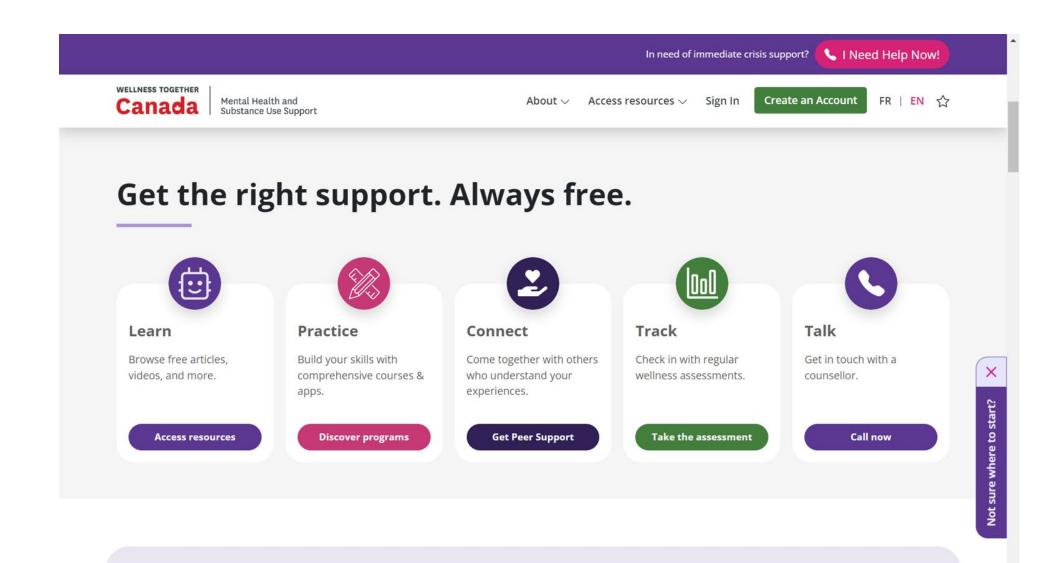
# Current System Challenges

Challenge 1: A scarcity mindset drives fragmentation and limits our capacity to move the dial on population mental health or create sustainable mental health programming

Challenge 2: The risk paradigm dominates policy development and creates excessive bureaucratic barriers to strengths-based traumainformed care







### Wellness Together Canada

Access for all, when they need it, how they need it



of Canada's diverse populations



# A Business Model for Synergy?





# A Business Model for Synergy? Togetherall / Protocall Video

Togetherall offers peer to peer virtual support for youth and adults



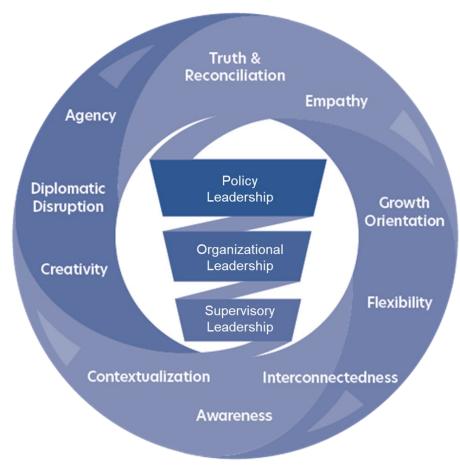
Re-imagining Systems to Foster Wellbeing Everywhere

#### **Through Bold:**

- Policy Leadership
- Organizational Leadership
- Care Team / Supervisory Leadership

#### With:

- Vertical and horizontal collaboration
- Synergistic approach to differences, codesign, and complementarity across all levels of the workforce



### The Future is Bright

#### There is hope:

- Everyone wants to invest in mental health now
- Democracy is coming to mental health
- Impactful transformation is happening





### The Future is Bright

Go to menti.com and use the code 5453 8801

#### There is hope...