

Incentives and Innovations in Housing as Healthcare

Framework for Opportunities

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Housing is important to these health system groups

Who

- Medicaid
- Disability Services (i.e. behavioral health, developmental and physical disabilities, TBI)
- Managed Care
- Hospitals

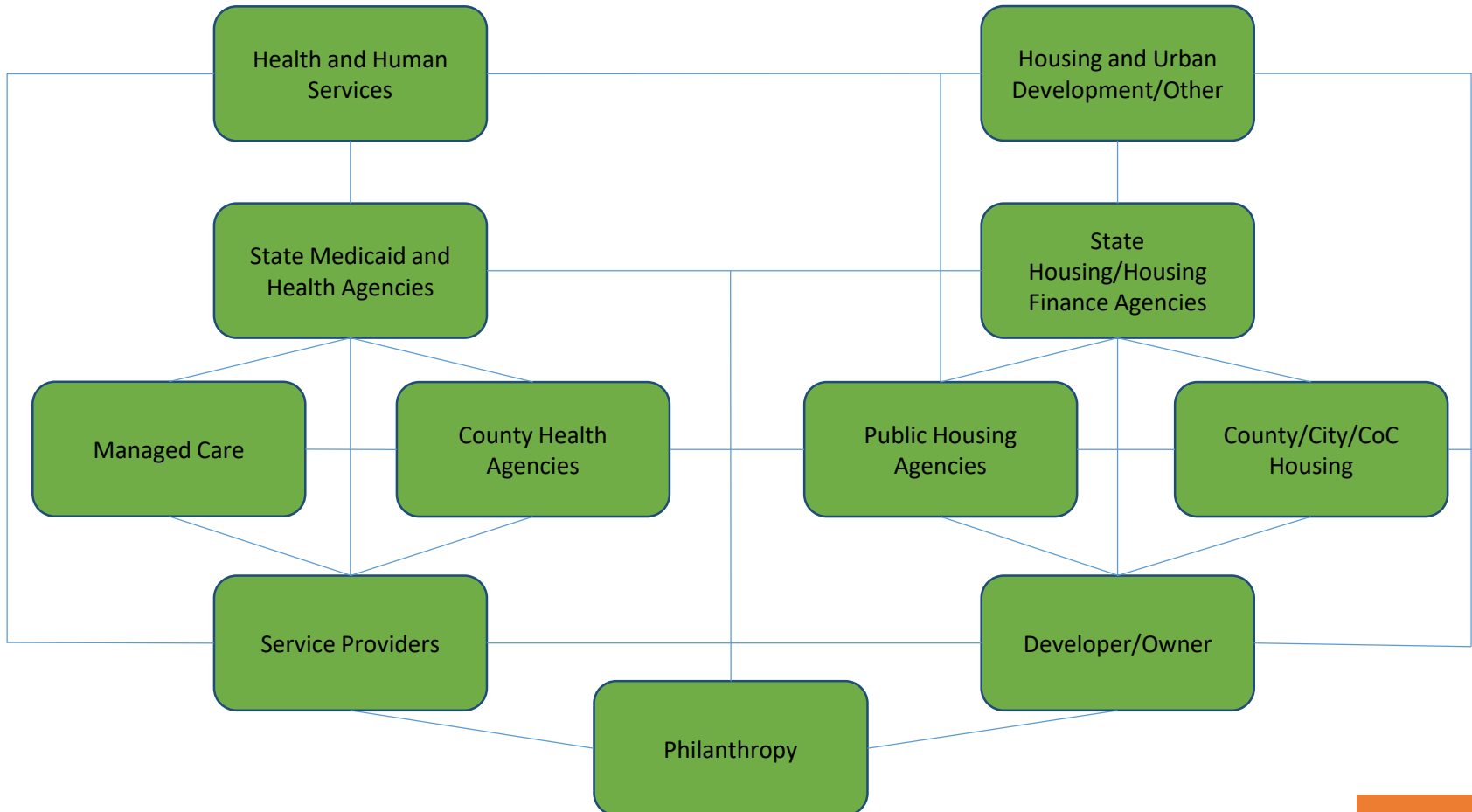
Why

- Increased understanding about the healthcare costs of homeless and unstably housed individuals.
- PWD or chronic health conditions who are homeless or unstably housed are more likely to be institutionalized and have poor, costly health outcomes.
- Increasing volume of research that ties access to stable, affordable housing to reduced hospitalizations, inpatient days and emergency department visits, increased access to primary care, and improved health outcomes.

Health & Housing System Framework

HEALTH SYSTEM

HOUSING SYSTEM



Health System Partnership Opportunities

Health System Partner	Examples of Participation
Medicaid	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coverage of housing-related services
Disability services agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Temporary and ongoing rental subsidies• Start-up expenses (e.g. security deposits, furnishings)• Services
Managed Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• LIHTCs• Grants or other capital investments• Short-term rental assistance• Start-up expenses (e.g. security deposits, furnishings)• Services
Hospitals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Health Benefits• LIHTCs• Capital; donated land and buildings, low interest loans• Short-term rental assistance• Services

Takeaways

- The health system is increasingly aware of the importance of housing.
- The health system is increasingly willing to have a role in housing.
- Health systems look different across states.
- 1:1 meetings with local providers re: services are important.
- Group or association meetings with system level partners re: services are also important.
- Thin service packages (versus true need) jeopardize tenancy.
- Engage health system in the areas of services, operating, and capital.
- Housing competency and interest in the health system varies widely.

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