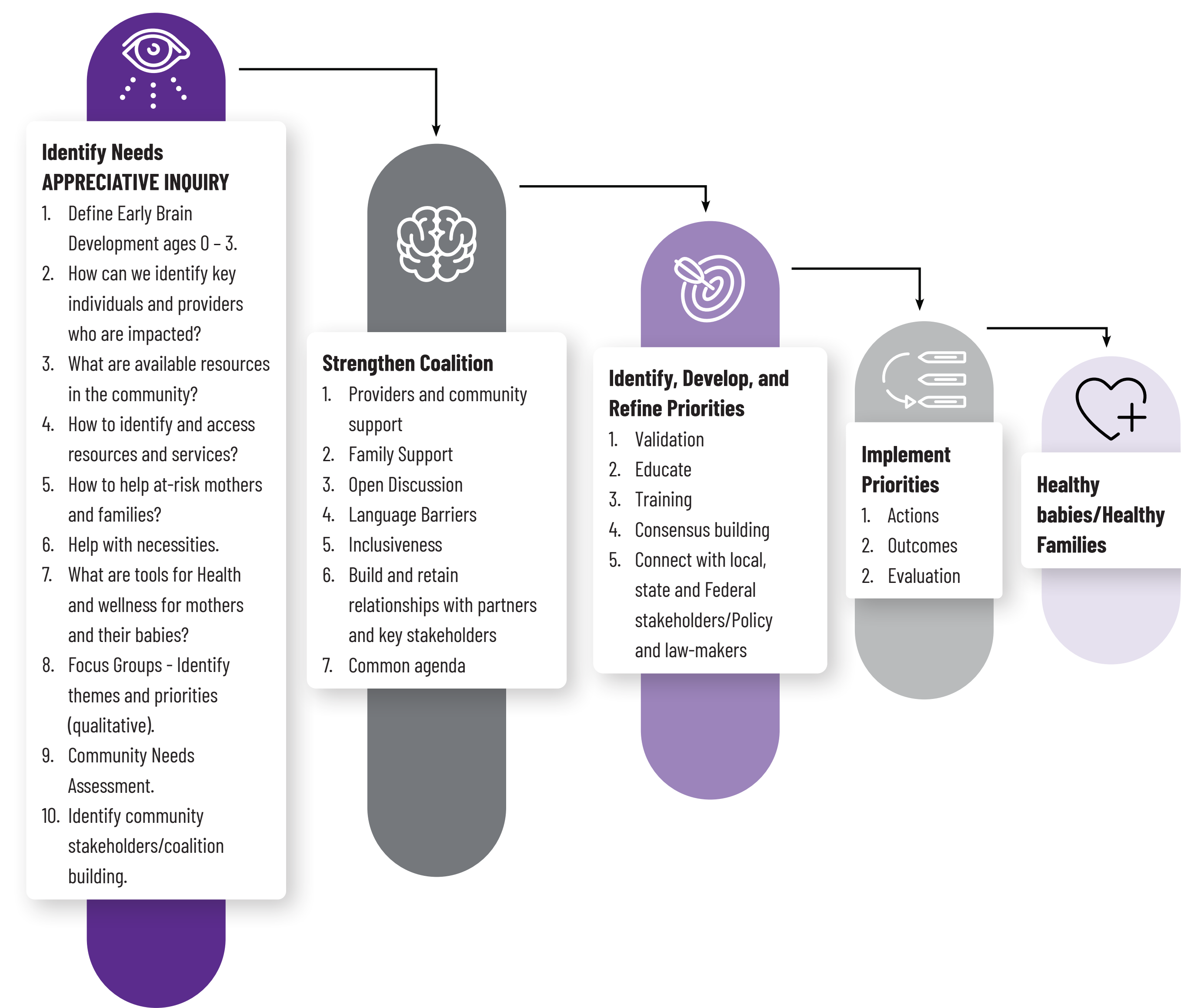


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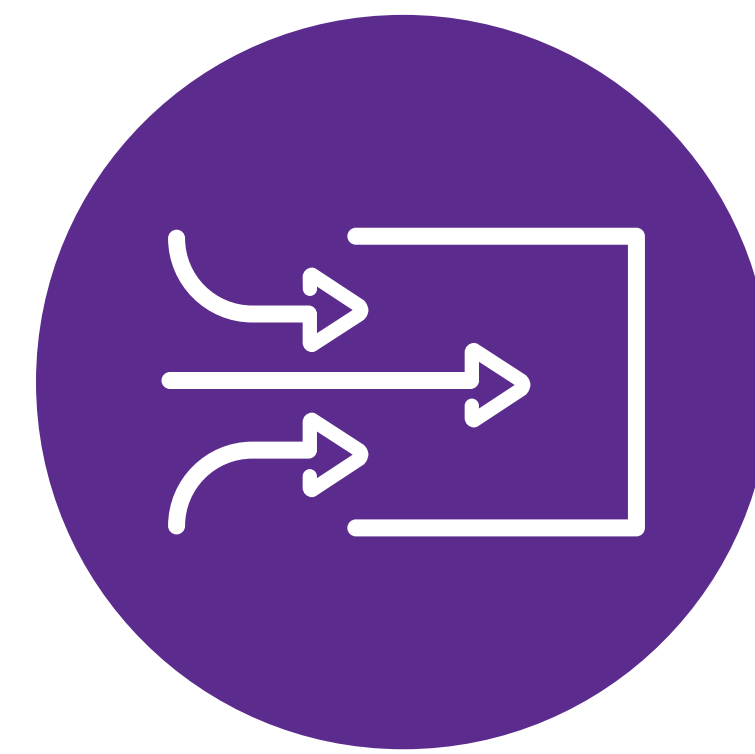


Early Brain Development Process Mapping



Approach

- Appreciative Inquiry
- Participatory Action
 - Inclusive
 - Ownership
 - Community Engagement



How

Total Participants: 289
Total Focus Groups: 27
Spanish Speaking Participants: 41
English Speaking Participants: 248



Participant Groups

Early Childhood Intervention, CASA, Christian Information Center, Mosaic Center, Texas Dept. of Family and Protective Services(CPS & Foster), St. Patrick Catholic Church

East Texas Cancer Alliance of Hope, First Christian Church, First Presbyterian Church, Abundant Life Methodist Church, East Texas Children's Health Foundation Family Crisis Center, Kurth Memorial Library, Parents, Crossover Counseling, Breastfeeding Advocates

ADAC, Burke, PADREs, Concerned Black Men of Lufkin, Workforce of Deep East Texas, The Fieldhouse, Harold's House, Central, Diboll, Zavalla, and Lufkin ISD, Pediatricians/ Lufkin Children clinic, St Luke Christus, Adult Learning Center ESL

REACH, Stubblefield Learning Center, Texas DSHS, Parent as Teachers, TexProtect, Brain Scientist Dad, MIECHV, Child Management Service, Nuestras Madres, Family Law Attorney

ACCDH/WIC, Pregnancy Help Center, Royal Priesthood Kingdom Ministries, Parenting Class, Head Start/Early Head Start, Angelina College, Buckner, Texas Association for the Education of Young Children

Achieving childhood milestones
"We need a good dietician".

Strengthen, expand and/or establish services.
Parenting classes, Transportation Services, Paperwork assistance

Benefits of Breastfeeding
Postpartum depression

Mother and Father Support
Prevention "Parents are the first teachers".
Parents/grandparents can greatly benefit from mentor programs.

Mental Health
Rental Assistance
"Provide prenatal care at the ER".
Empower incarcerated parents

CHILD CARE DESERT:
Child care desert is defined in Texas Labor Code as an area where the number of children younger than six years of age who have working parents is at least three times greater than the capacity of licensed child care providers in that area.

Outcomes

- Strategic Plan Development
- Centralized Information System
- Prenatal Care & Medical Support Information
- Development of Coalition
 - Local Service Providers
 - Mothers
 - Fathers
 - Grand Parents
 - Extended Family

Network

- Local, Regional, State & National Stakeholders

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