



# Better Care Fund National Workshop: Integration and the Future



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# Better Care Fund 2019-20: Planning Requirements, Policy Framework, Planning and Assurance

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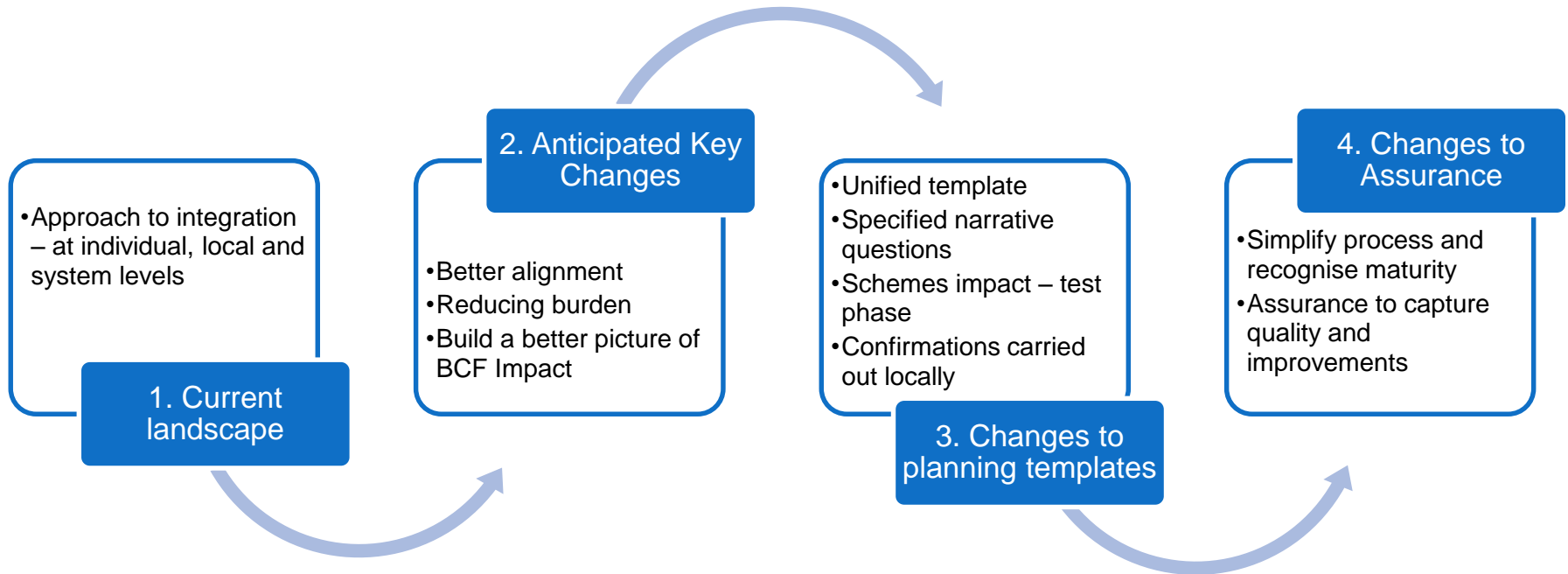
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# 2019/20 BCF Overview



## 2.0 Anticipated Key changes to BCF 2019-20

- Policy Framework almost ready.
- Limited change in BCF 2019-20.
- Some changes to reflect progress and interim nature of the 2019-20 programme:

Funding

National Conditions

Planning requirements

Assurance process

## 2.1 Anticipated key changes to BCF 2019-20

### Funding and national conditions

#### Funding

**CCG minimum:** will be updated - final uplift tbc.

**Winter Pressures Funding:** Winter Money will be as a part of the BCF allocation – paid to councils

**IBCF and DFG:** Still pooled – no additional reporting for IBCF

#### National conditions

Broadly remain the same but jointly agreed plans collected via template under more specific questions

#### •**HICM**

- Collecting current position
- Narrative on priorities, and how the HICM will address them in 2019-20
- Expected level of maturity by March 2020

## 2.2 Anticipated key changes to BCF 2019-20

### 3) HICM

- Areas to confirm

- > Current level of implementation for eight changes
- > Priorities and plan for ongoing work to embed changes
- > Planned level of implementation by March 2020

### HICM review

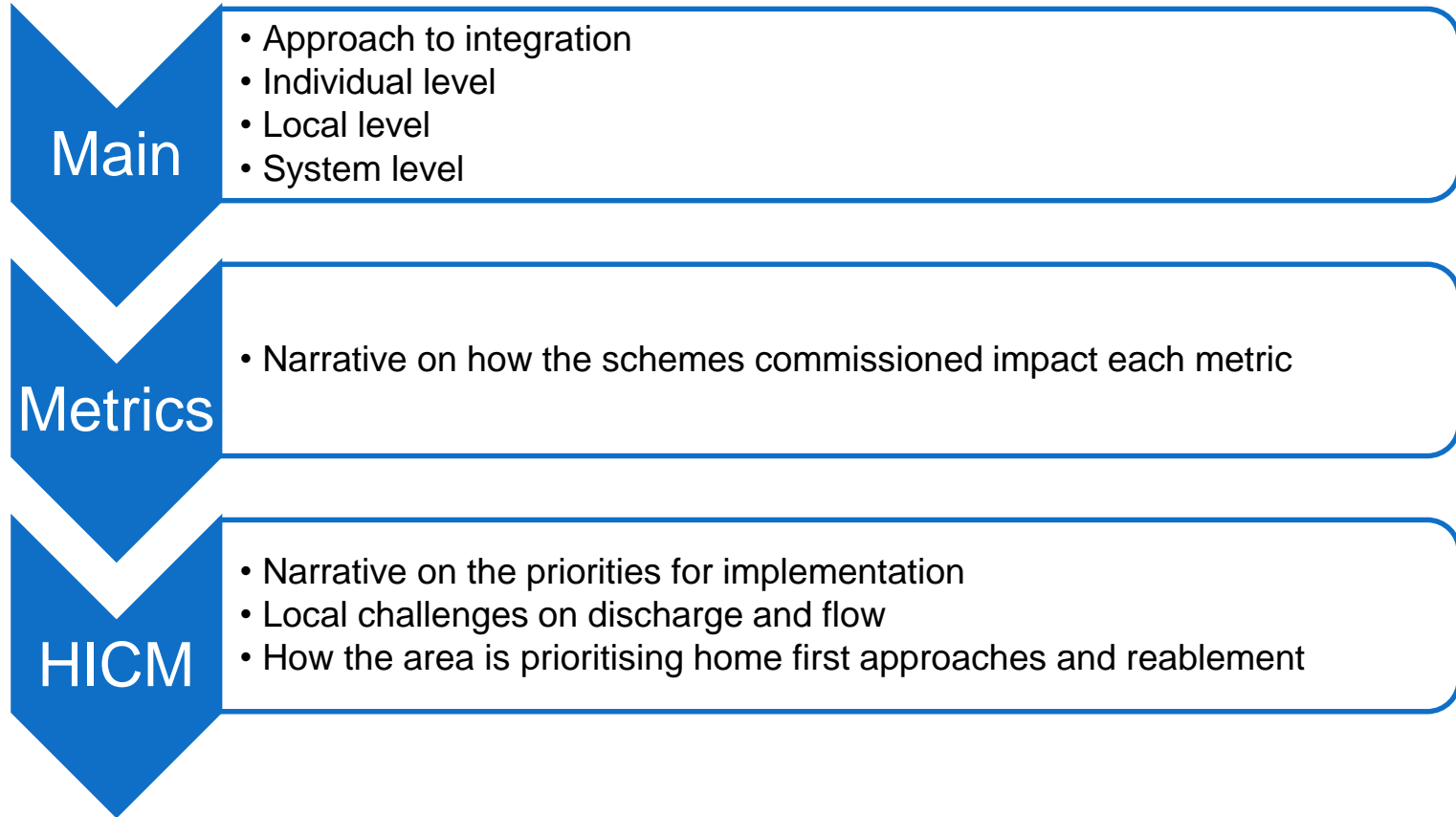
- Model is being reviewed to provide better links with
  - improved patient flow
  - Community support and
  - reducing length of stay

## 3.0 Changes to the planning templates

### Combining templates

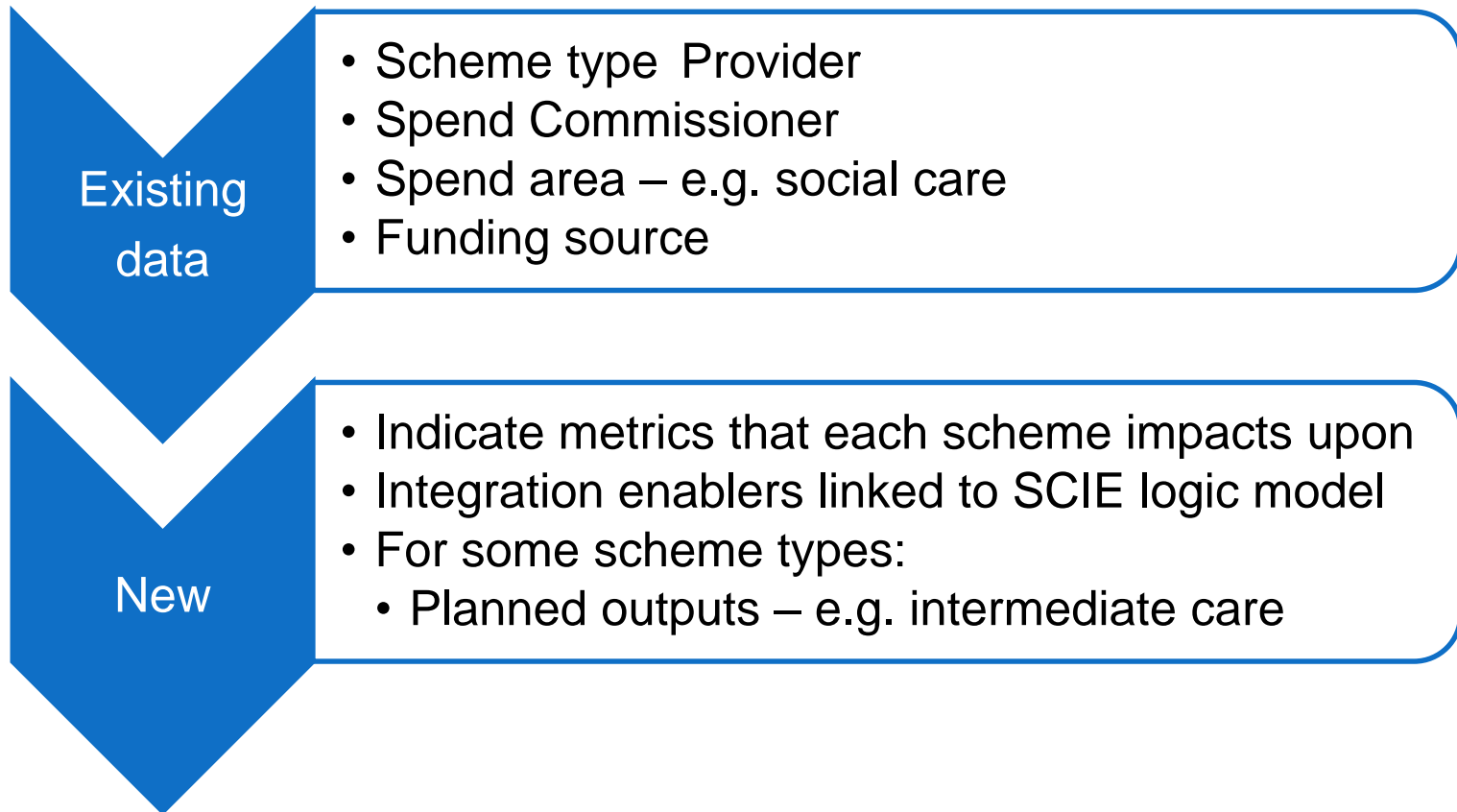
- > The BCF Planning Requirements for 2019-20 to be collected via a single template with reduced, targeted, narrative input rather than a separate narrative plan
- > Minimise planning burden and make information easier to find for assurers
  - > Provide consistent approaches to plans
- > Addition of planning requirement confirmation page within the planning template

# 3.1 Narratives





## 3.2 Scheme collection



# 4.0 Anticipated Changes to the BCF 2019-20

## Assurance process

- > Continue
  - > single stage assurance
  - > joint local government/NHS process
- > Combine more confirmations into the planning template
- > Focus questions on quality and consistency of plans – bring in local knowledge.
- > Feedback development areas to local planners

# Any questions?

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