Governor's Early Childhood Advisory Council

Moving Forward

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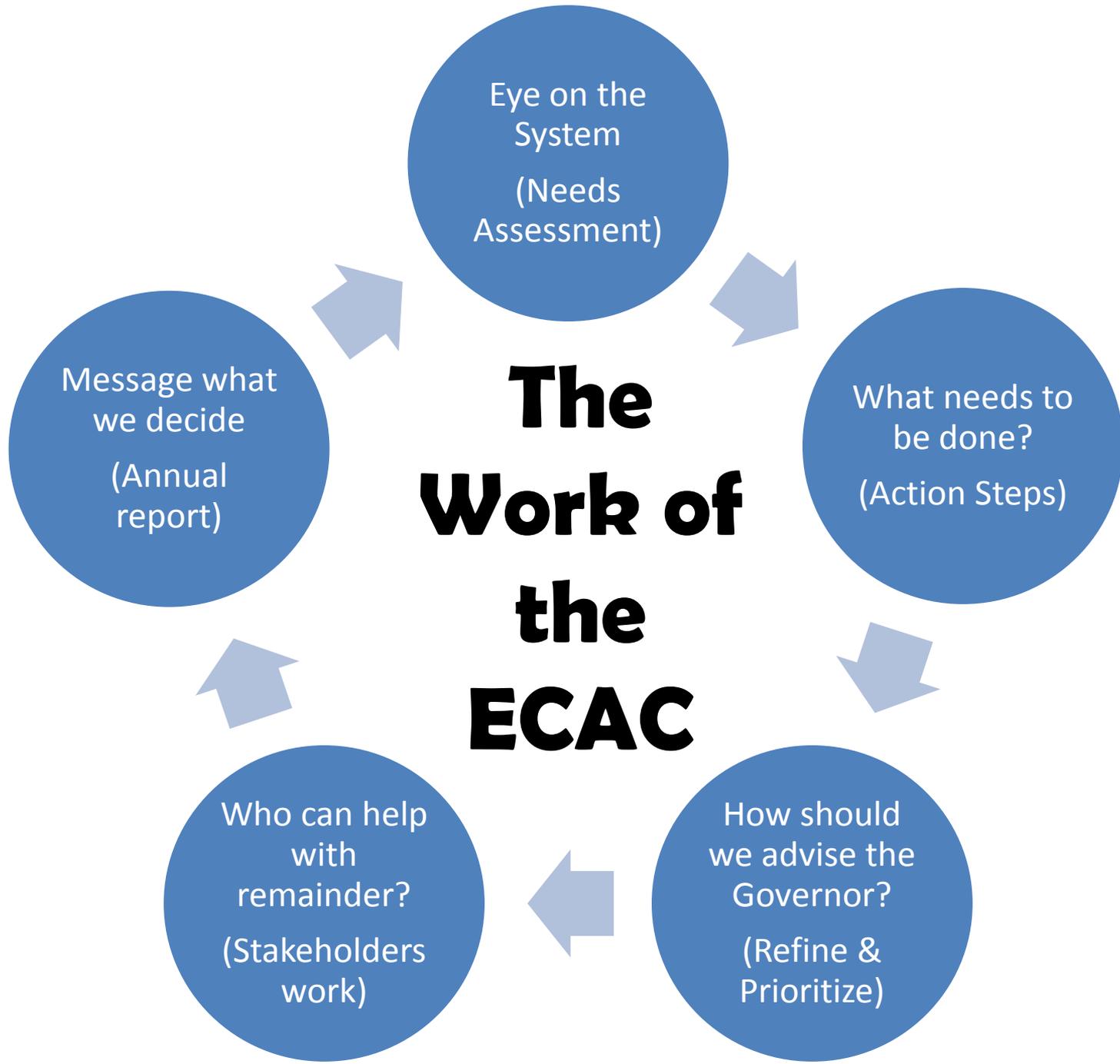
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An Eye on the SYSTEM

ECAC

The Work of the ECAC

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Step One

WHAT DO WE NEED?

Step Two

HOW CAN WE GET IT?

Process

"I know nothing about the subject, but I'm happy to give you my expert opinion."

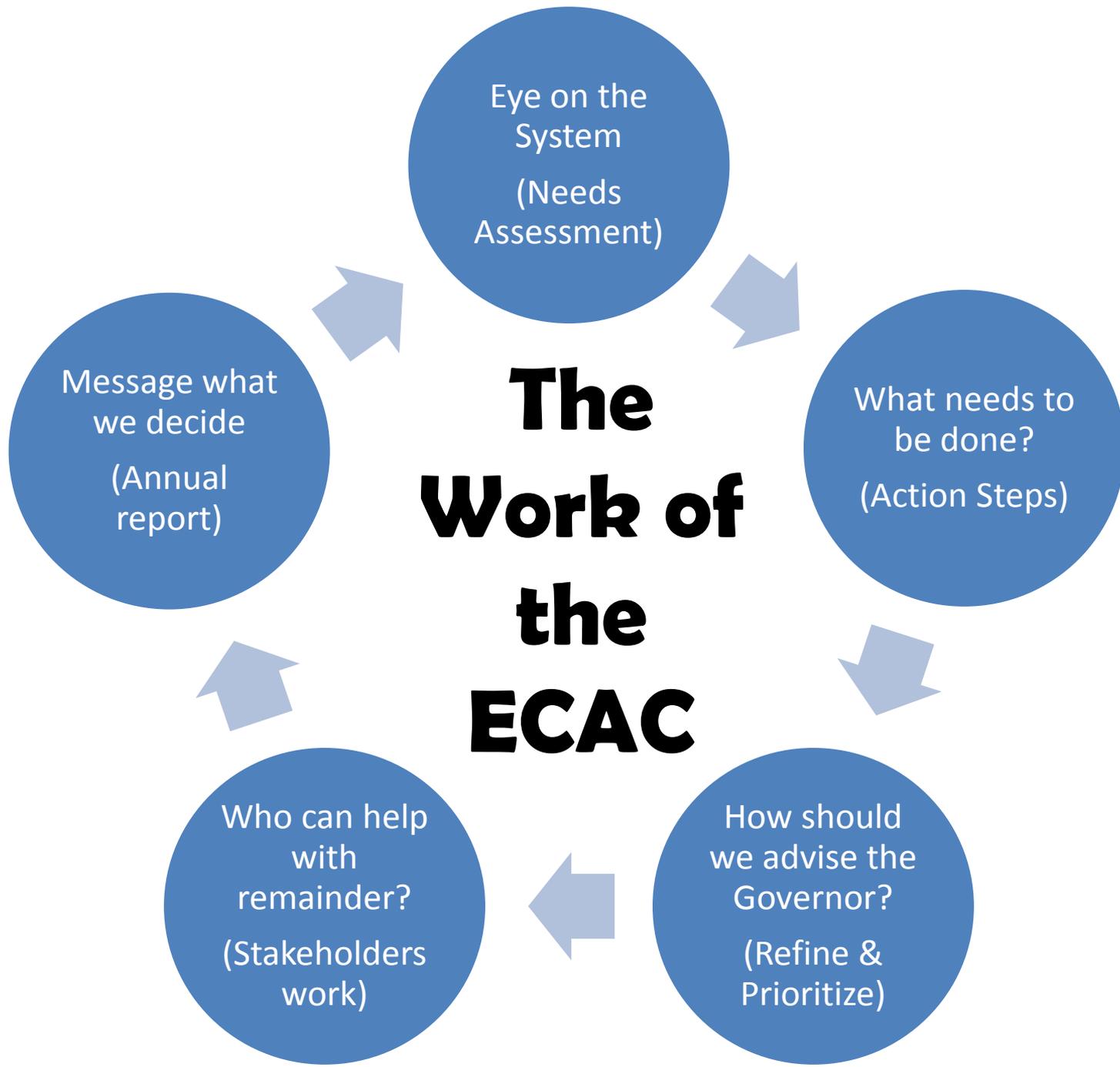# What does that mean for project teams?

Vision for Today

- Working collectively to determine future priorities/actions for the ECAC

- Building a shared understanding of everyone here today---important before we decide how to move forward together

- These things move "at the speed of trust"; please be an active listener and hold yourself accountable for participating

Meeting Purpose

- To continue the process to develop 2015-2016 ECAC priorities for the Governor and state leadership that would make a significant difference in the lives of Wisconsin's young children

Recent Work

- February 3rd Meeting
  - ECE stakeholders in attendance
  - Determined/discussed levels of action
  - Facilitated discussion on "what should be" and "what could be" (see chart)
  - Questions about process arose

- Steering Committee
- Discussed process options and project teams purpose

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Small Group Discussion

- Thoughts on this proposed process?

- Additional needed steps in the proposed process?

Large Group Discussion

- Report out from small group discussions

Consensus Check on Process

- Do we have agreement among the Council to move forward with this proposed process?

Diving into the Process: Guide Posts

- ECAC Goal Established: Every child will be healthy, nurtured, safe and successful
- Three-High Level Goals Already Established
  - Quality Early Learning Experiences
  - Safe and Healthy
  - Stable, Nurturing and Economically Secure Families
- Looking to identify levels of action for recommendations/priorities that "roll-up" to these

Diving into Process:
Proposed Levels of Action

- Steering Committee created these levels of action to create clarity around next steps for recommendations/priorities

- The Steering Committee sought input on these at the February 3rd meeting with stakeholders

Proposed Levels of Action

- Recommendation(s) to the Governor
- Recommendation(s) to a State Agency
- Recommendation(s) for all 3 State Agency Leaders (DCF, DPI, DHS, DOC)
- Other ideas for levels of action: national, for the public, legislative, local, for the business sector, individual council member, media, state-level associations

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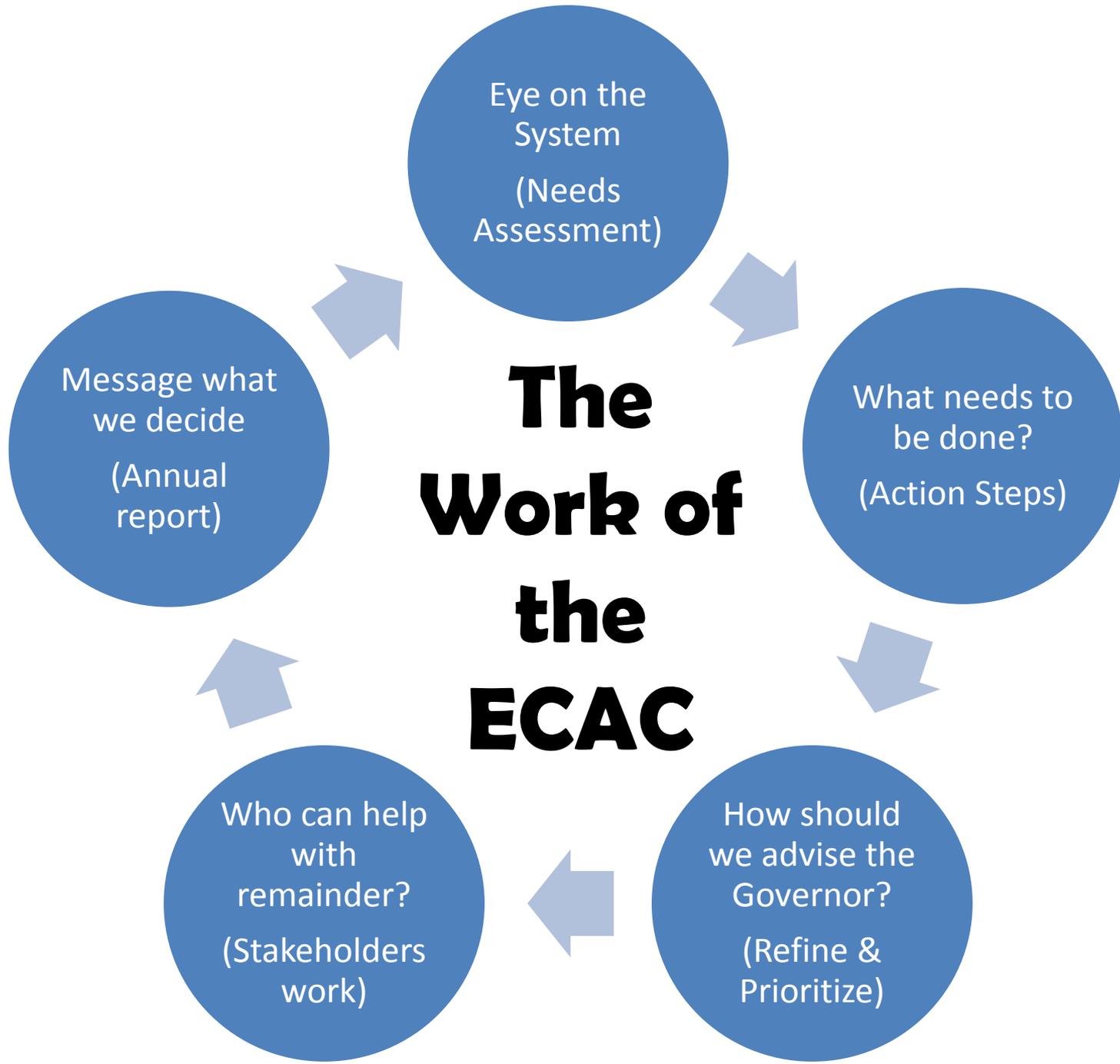
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Consensus Check on Levels of Action

- Do we have agreement among the Council to move forward with these proposed levels of actions that can be used for recommendations/priorities?

Back to the Process

- Review what has been completed thus far in the process

- Do we have enough input to begin prioritizing recommendations for 2015-2016?

Prioritizing

- Review chart

- Straw pull exercise related to chart