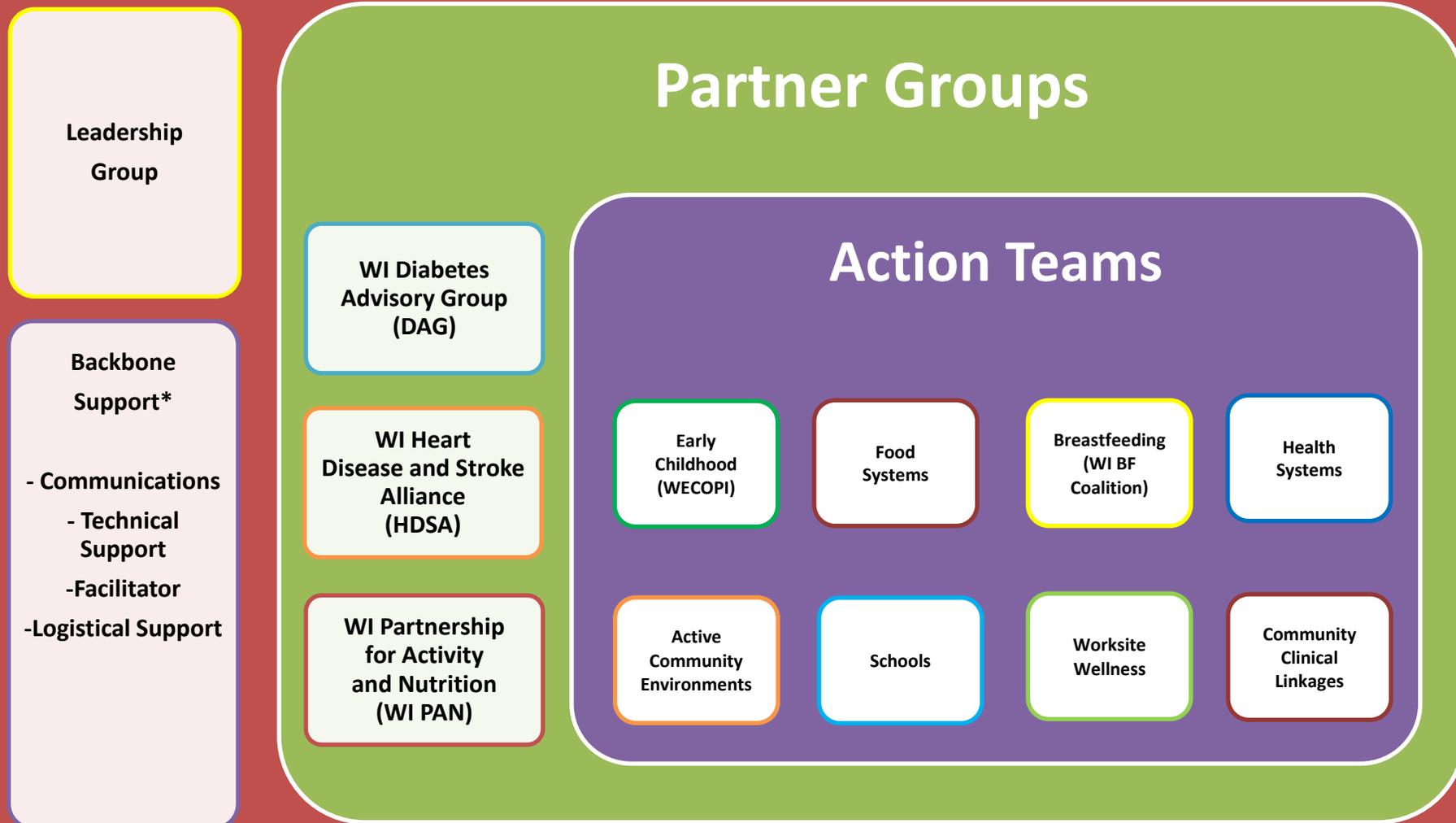


# Wisconsin Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Framework



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**Wisconsin Chronic Disease Prevention Framework** - The Wisconsin Chronic Disease Prevention Framework is being designed to address our state's leading causes of death and disability. The system is comprised of three disease areas of focus – heart and stroke, diabetes and nutrition, physical activity and obesity prevention – that are among our state's most common, costly and preventable health problems.

**Leadership Team** – The leadership team will develop a long-term plan to strategically engage and mobilize public-private partnerships, accelerate progress and leverage resources required to support system initiatives, monitoring and evaluation. Representation to the leadership team will include local and state partners from multiple sectors.

**Backbone Support** – Dedicated staff providing support that includes planning, managing, and supporting initiatives through ongoing facilitation, technology and communications support, data collection and reporting, and handling of multiple logistical and administrative details needed for initiative to function smoothly. The team will see that all interests are treated fairly, and decisions are made on the basis of objective evidence and best possible solution to the problem, not to favor priorities of one organization over another. The Wisconsin Obesity Prevention Network will comprise a part of the backbone supporting this framework.

**Partner Groups** - The Partner Groups are comprised of leaders from key state organizations who have interest in helping to address Wisconsin's health improvement outcomes through modified behavior and quality, consistent standards of medical care.

**Wisconsin Diabetes Advisory Group (DAG)** – DAG has provided foundation for active partnerships across the state since 1997. Representatives from over 60 key Wisconsin organizations provide technical assistance and guidance on statewide diabetes projects and address issues affecting the people of Wisconsin.

**Wisconsin Heart Disease & Stroke Alliance (HDSA)** – The HDSA is a partnership of private and non-profit professional organizations and public health partners focused on reducing heart disease and stroke. Members collaborate on projects and policies to advance detection and treatment of cardiovascular risks, such as promoting best practices recommended in the Million Hearts initiative.

**Wisconsin Partnership for Activity and Nutrition (WI PAN)** – WI PAN is a statewide partner group formed in 1999 to provide leadership and assist with resource development. WI PAN is critical to dissemination and adoption of environmental and systems change strategies for nutrition, physical activity and obesity.

**Action Teams** - The system includes 8 Action Teams in health system, community and built environment settings that include:

**Early Childhood (WI Early Childhood Obesity Prevention Initiative)** – WECOPI began in 2008 as a collaboration of organizations, growing into a multifaceted

initiative focused on helping early childhood education professionals improve child health and wellness by establishing physical activity and nutrition programs and policies within their business practices.

**Active Community Environments** –The term Active Community Environments applies to a number of initiatives that increase access to recreational facilities and allow for alternative modes of transportation that increase physical activity. Recreational use agreements to allow for facility use by many parties is an example of an access issue. Master plans, construction of bike trails and bike lanes, sidewalks, public transportation, and setting up a Safe Routes to School program, are examples of providing for alternative modes of transportation

**Food Systems** – Wisconsin's nutrition environments support and promote healthy eating and healthy weight. Nutrition environments, also known as the community food system, include food stores (both grocery and convenience), restaurants, farmers' markets, farm stands, gardens, community supported agriculture (CSAs), and food pantries. Individual's eating habits are directly impacted by food environments that surround them, making efforts to improve nutrition environments in Wisconsin important.

**Schools** – The school setting is a prime location for improving eating habits and increasing physical activity. Schools have direct contact with more than 95 percent of Wisconsin's young people, for about eight hours a day. Establishing healthy behaviors during childhood is easier and more effective than trying to change unhealthy behaviors during adulthood.

**Breastfeeding (WI Breastfeeding Coalition)** – WBC is a statewide organization that aims to improve the health of Wisconsin by working collaborative to protect, promote and support breastfeeding.

**Worksite Wellness** – Worksites are a prime setting to implement chronic disease prevention strategies. Employees often spend the majority of their waking hours in the worksite environment, where a number of policy, environmental and behavioral strategies are modifiable.

**Health Systems** – A group aimed at interventions to improve the effective delivery and use of clinical and other preventive services to prevent disease, early detection, and reduce or eliminate risk factors and mitigate or manage complications. Health systems interventions improve the clinical environment to effectively deliver quality preventive services and help Americans effectively use and benefit from services.

**Community-Clinical Linkages** – A group aimed to improve community-clinical linkages ensuring that communities support and clinics refer patients to programs that improve management of chronic conditions. Community-clinical linkages help ensure that people with or at high risk of chronic diseases have access to community resources and support to prevent, delay or manage chronic conditions once they occur.