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**“Elevating transformation:
Citizen-guided and Evidence-backed action”**
Wednesday, May 28, 2025, 2:30pm to 3:45pm

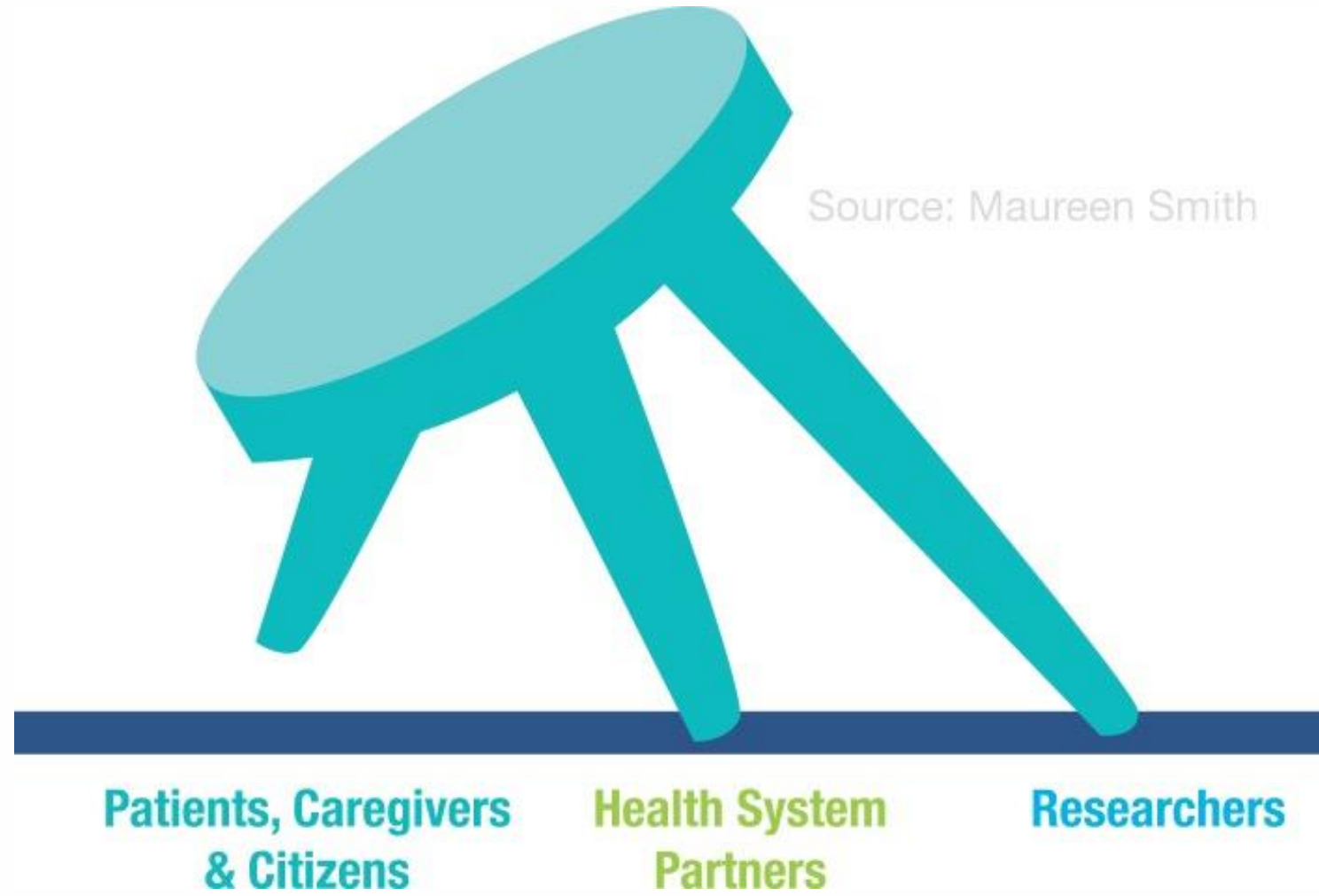
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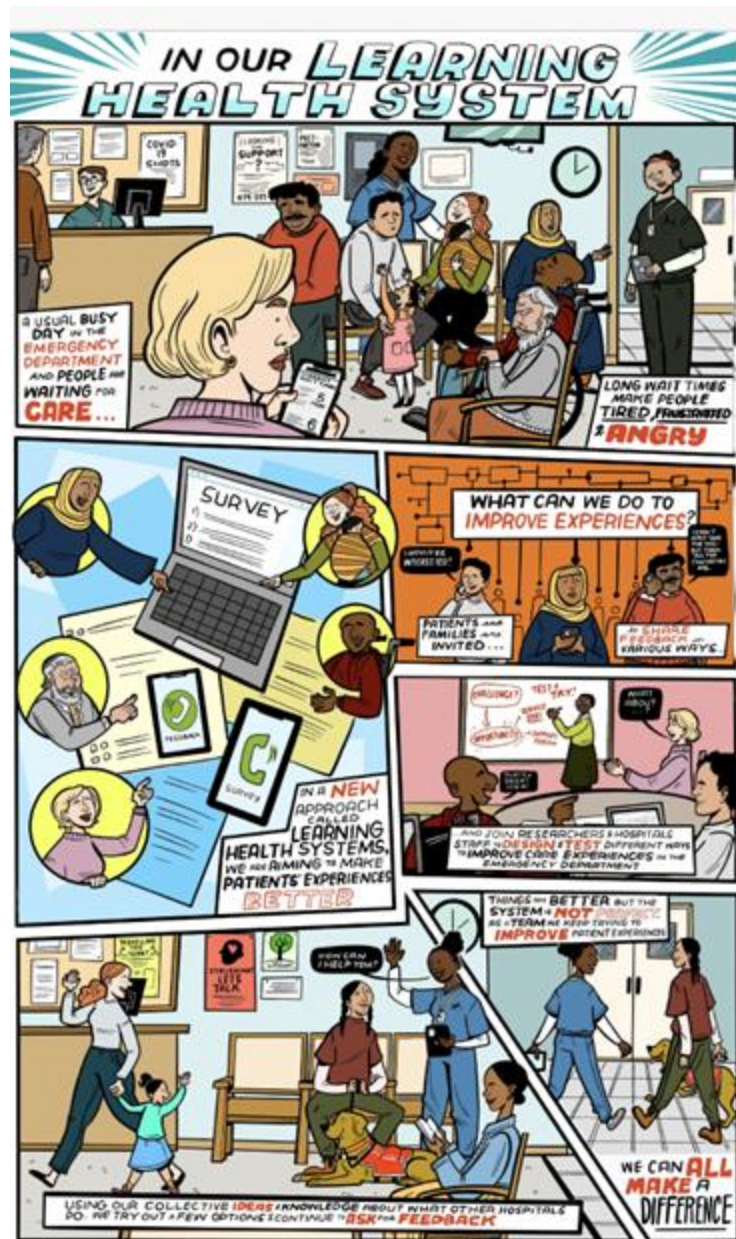
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Too often, conventional approaches to health system transformation falter because we fail to ask critical questions: How do citizens envision improving their healthcare experience? And what does the best evidence reveal about designing and delivering effective systems of care? In this interactive dialogue, we'll hear from citizen partners, system operators, and evidence-support partners – in effect, the perspectives that comprise the ‘three-legged stool’ as defined in the Learning Health System action framework. Together, we will explore citizen-guided and evidence-backed strategies and insights that will help redraw the roadmap for effective health systems in Canada.

The Three-Legged Stool





Key Pressures on Healthcare Providers in Canada 2025

Workforce Shortages & Burnout

Projected shortage
of doctors and
nurses, high
levels of burnout



Primary Care Access Crisis



Over 20% of
Canadians lack
a family doctor
or nurse practitioner

Mental Health Crisis

Mental health
demand three times
higher than
pre-pandemic levels



Financial Strain & Infrastructure Challenges



Hospitals facing
structural deficits
and aging infrastructure

Climate Change & Health System Resilience

Environmental
impacts straining
healthcare systems



Integration of Internationally Trained Professionals

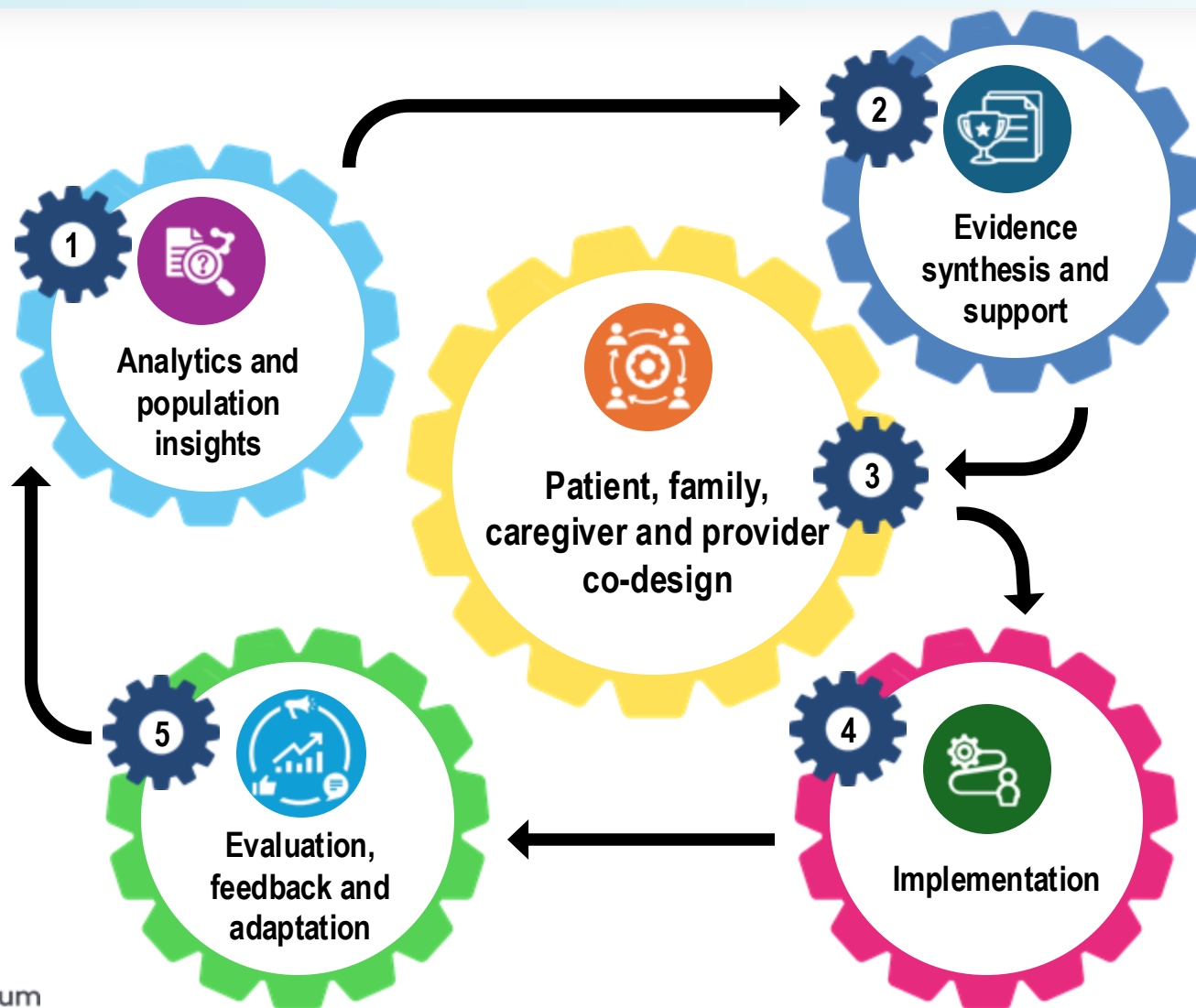


Challenges in integrating
internationally educated providers

We need to continue to transform our health care services *rapidly*, but without the expectation of large new infusions of resources (people or \$\$)

- Patients, families and care partners can't (and shouldn't) wait

Challenges that policy and decision-makers face when using evidence



Source: Reid RJ, Wodchis WP, Kuluski K, Lee-Foon N, Lavis JN, Rosella LC, Desveaux L. [Actioning the learning health system: An applied framework for integrating research into health systems](#). *Social Science & Medicine*; 2024.

Thank you!

Link to session webpage:

