

Questions for Deliberation

1. Children exposed to 9/11 are aging. If research is not conducted on this cohort while they are children, to what extent will the opportunity to discover relationships between the 9/11 exposure(s) and developmental milestones or other health effects be lost? What are the most important developmental and health outcomes to target in such a cohort?

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2. World Trade Center researchers consistently indicate the need for “external” referent groups for comparison of health outcomes with WTC exposed populations. How could the WTCHP identify and develop robust and appropriate comparison groups to improve the validity and interpretability of WTC research, and potentially provide for future post-disaster research?

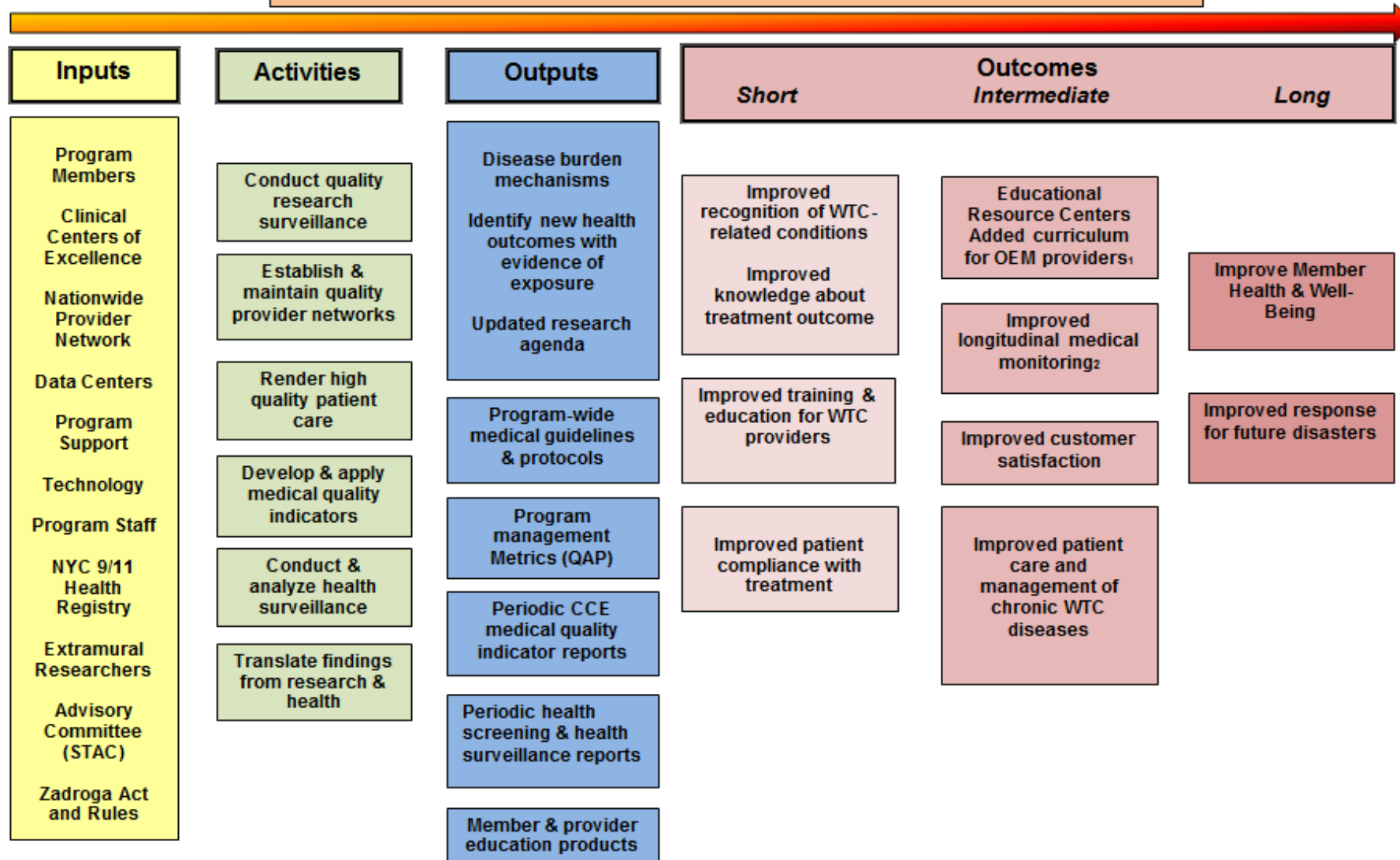
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3. [Revised] The CCEs/NPN are required to provide benefits counseling to its members. Each of the CCEs/NPN have staff and an internal process for triaging members to appropriate counseling and have established a level of counseling provided within their CCE/NPN. In an effort to streamline benefits counseling, the WTC Health Program is working to identify gaps in the area of benefits counseling across the Program and provide recommendations for streamlining the process across the CCEs/NPN. After reading the current Program recommendations for streamlining benefits counseling, what other recommendations would be helpful?

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4. The “Research-to-Care” model relies on strong linkages between health surveillance, research, and clinical care to produce the outcomes of the logic model. Are there any missing linkages or other ways that the model might be improved?

WTC Health Program Research-to-Care Logic Model (iterative)



Contextual Conditions:

- Legislative environment: HIPAA, Federal Employee Compensation Act, Social Security Act, Affordable Care Act
- Limited care model (not a medical home)
- Program enrollment (low statistical power)

¹ NIOSH funded program for training physicians and allied health professionals in occupational and environmental medicine (OEM)

² To inform decision support for *ERHMS* (Emergency Responder Health Monitoring System)