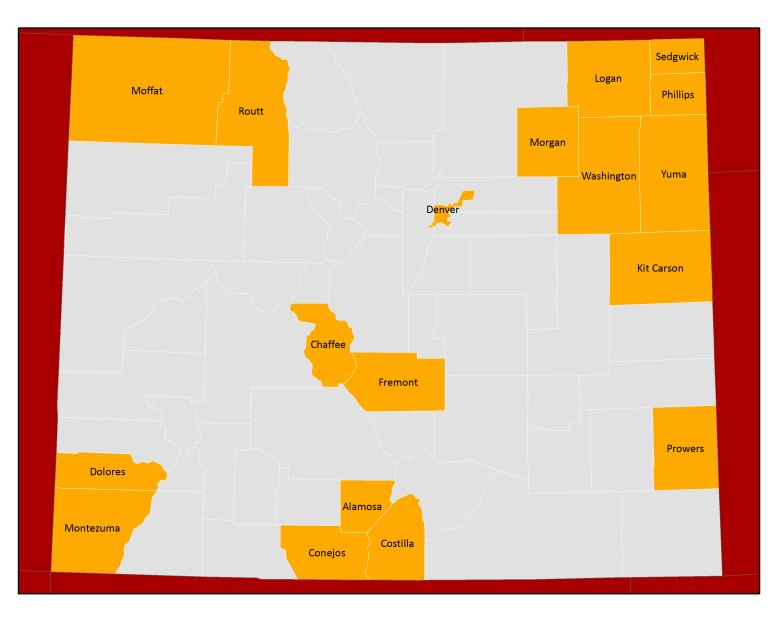
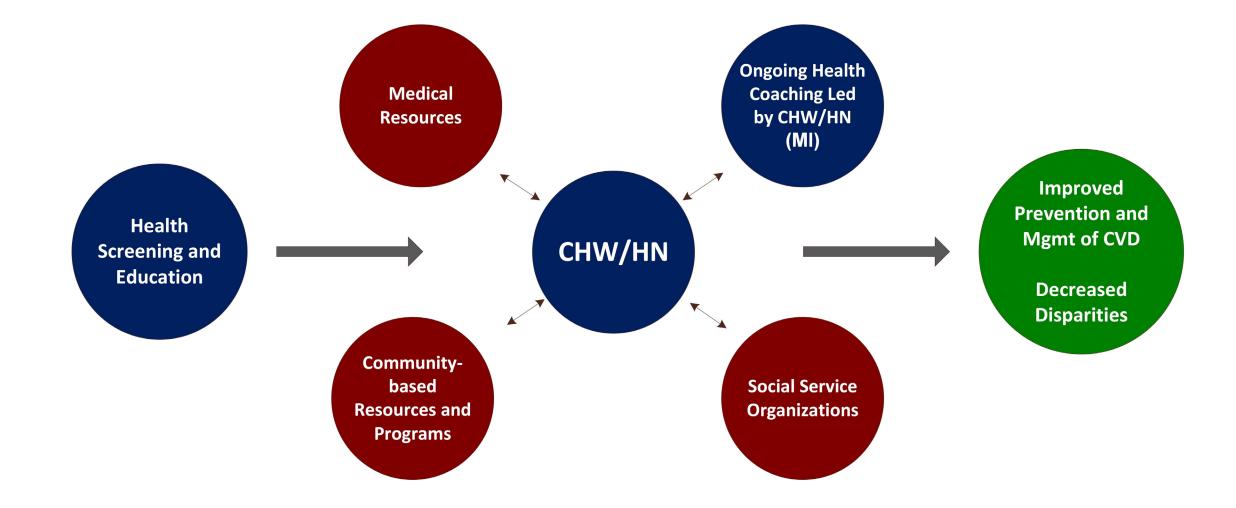


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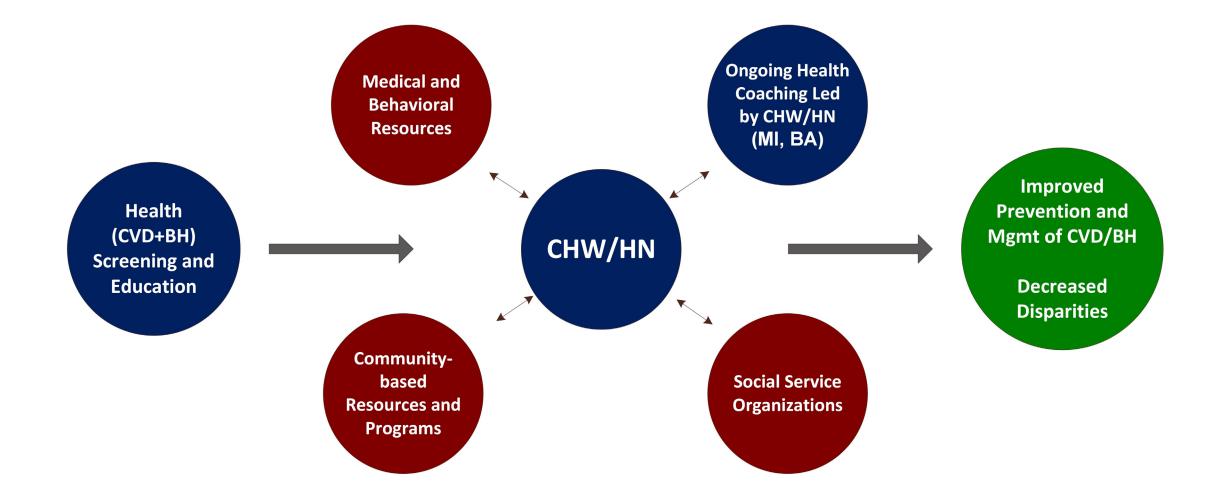


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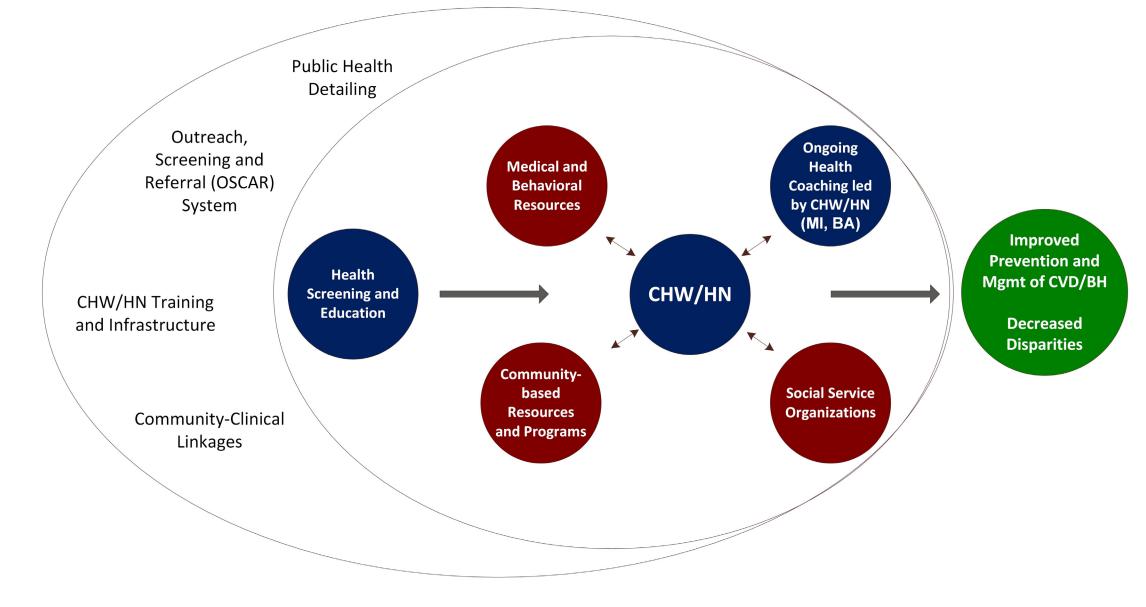


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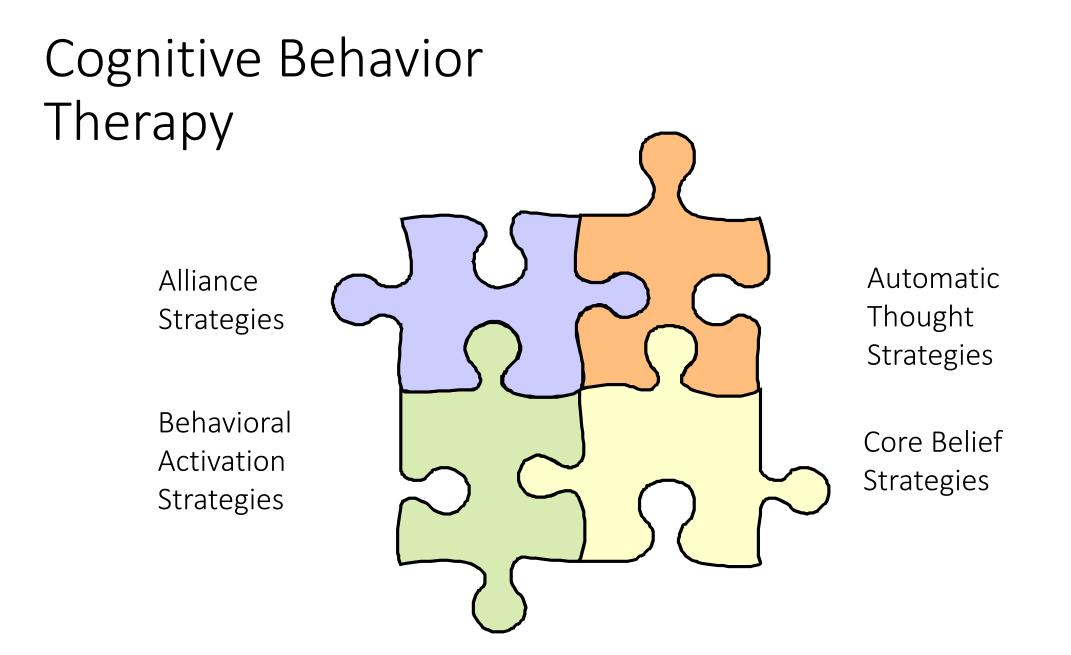


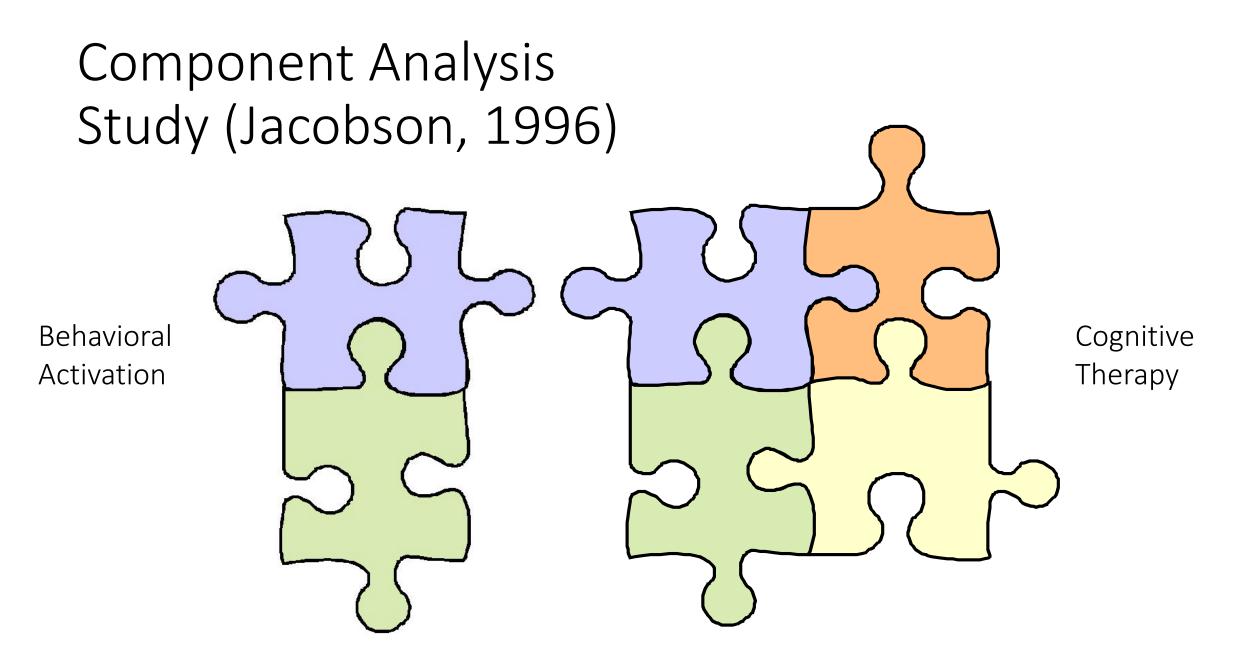
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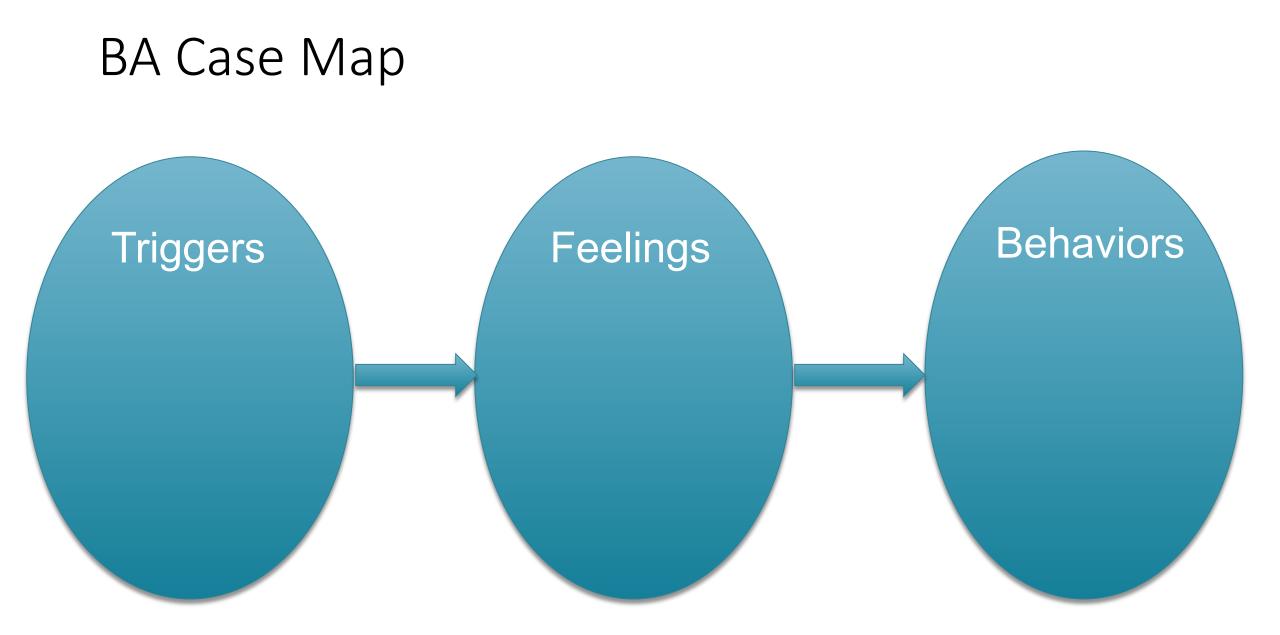


## CHHS Mental Health Tools

- Motivational Interviewing
- Perceived Stress Scale (PSS)
- Generalized Anxiety Disorder (GAD)
- Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ)
- Mental Health First Aid
- Behavioral Activation Case Mapping



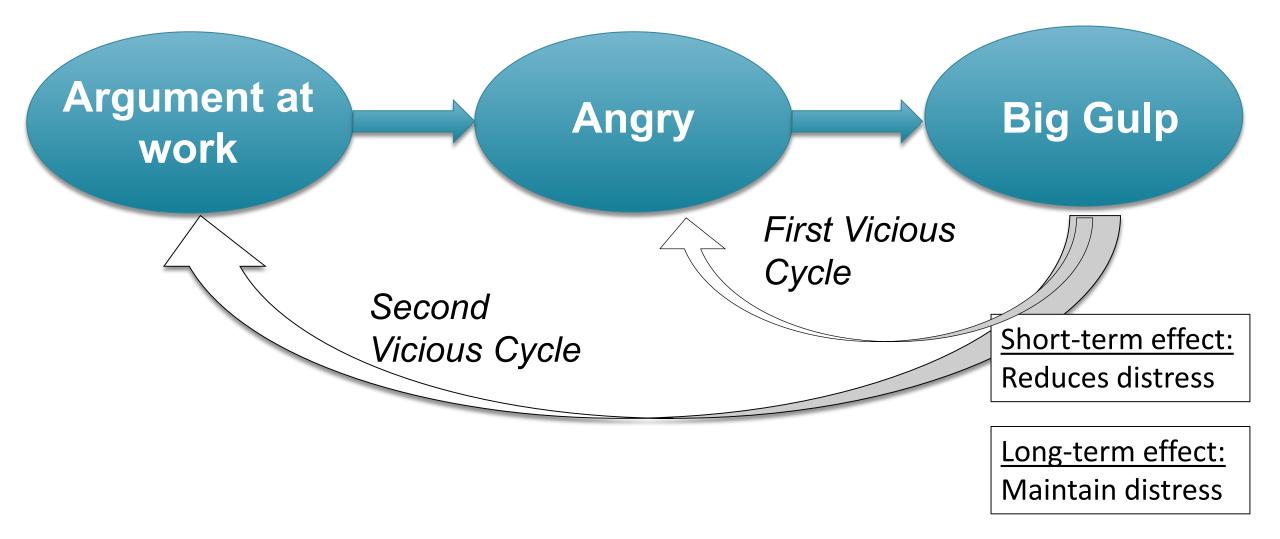


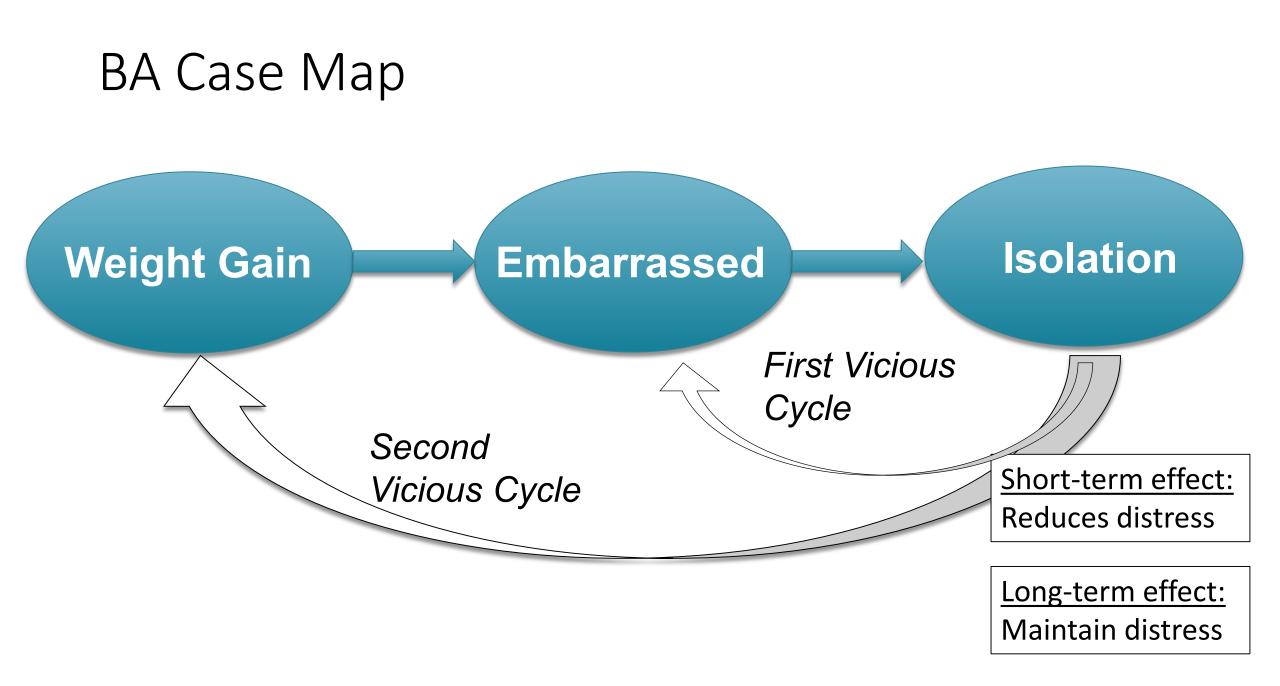


## BA Case Map



## BA Case Map – Vicious Cycles







#### Let's explore why it can be difficult to eat healthy when we're so busy.

#### Meet Wendy



Wendy works at a fast food restaurant and doesn't get paid a lot of money. To make ends meet she also works cleaning office buildings at night. "I work long hours and for lunch and dinner I just want something quick to eat. So I eat a lot of fast food from my first job. I like watching Netflix cooking shows, but am not confident in my own cooking skills." She knows that eating like this will be bad for her in the long term, but it is easier to get fast food than to prepare food for herself in the morning. Wendy feels like preparing her meals will take away from her limited free time.

# Here's a map of Wendy's story: What is happening? Working two jobs Lack of cooking knowledge Limited valuable free time Stressed Short Term Cycle: In the short term, she feels better eating fast food because

Short Term Cycle: In the short term, she feels better eating fast food becaus it's quick and she has one less thing to do at night or in the morning.

Long Term Cycle: In the long term, she continues to feel overwhelmed because she is super busy and needs to pay her bills.

Longer Term Cycle: In the even longer term, Wendy could develop health problems from poor eating habits that will make her feel even more overwhelmed.

What parts of your story sound like Wendy's? How is your story different?



What step can you take in the next week towards eating healthier?

Here are some ideas based on how ready you are to eat healthier

#### Not quite ready...

Talk with someone who is in a similar situation

#### Still thinking about it...

Talk with someone who has successfully began to eat healthier.

#### Getting ready...

- Look for fast and easy healthy recipes
- Ask for support in family or work
- responsibilities

#### I'm ready now!

- Break it up! Make your lunch and dinner 2 or 3 days next week
- Schedule food prep for the week on one of your days off

#### Maintaining change

- Plan for healthy rewards for meeting goals
- Create a plan to get back on track after a relapse

#### Let's explore why it can be difficult to be more active when you don't want to exercise.

#### Meet Michael



Michael works as a police officer and has younger kids. After a full day at work, Michael's kids often have after school games that he attends. He sits for another 2 hours watching his kids be physically active. He has gained 30 pounds in the last 4 years and feels self-conscious about his weight. "I finally get to my house around 7:00 and am not interested in doing any kind of physical activity. I just want to be in my house after a long day away." Michael also loves to watch college sports on his big screen TV and doesn't want to miss a single minute. "I tried a gym about a year ago, but didn't know how to work half of those machines, so I just gave up."

#### Here's a map of Michael's story:

#### What is happening?

- Police officer
- · Young kids with many activities
- Gained 30 pounds in last 4 years

#### How does he feel? Low motivation

 Self-conscious Intimidated by gym machines

#### What is he doing (or not doing)? Not exercising Watching TV and sitting a lot

Short Term Cycle: In the short term, not exercising helps Michael unplug from the day while being comfortable in his home.

Long Term Cycle: In the long term, he continues to have low motivation and feels self-conscious because he's still not exercising.

Longer Term Cycle: In the even longer term, not exercising and focusing on being comfortable after his long day will contribute to worsening health and more weight gain.

What parts of your story sound like Michael's? How is your story different?



What step can you take in the next week towards becoming more active?

Here are some ideas based on how ready you are to be more active this week

#### Not quite ready...

Talk with someone who is in a similar situation

#### Still thinking about it...

Talk with someone who has successfully increased their physical activity

#### Getting ready...

- Look for in-home exercises
- Ask for support in family or work responsibilities

#### I'm ready now!

- Break it up! Exercise for 5 minutes during work breaks, take the stairs, park far away
- Schedule activity and alert family, coworkers, bosses

#### Maintaining change

- Plan for healthy rewards for meeting goals
- Create a plan to get back on track after a relapse

## BA Case Mapping Opportunities and Challenges

Opportunities

- Navigators and Community Health Workers can do it!
- Strong relationships with clients/patients is important
- Mapping out unhealthy behaviors makes them real
- A great tool to bridge gap between anxiety/depression and health behaviors

Challenges

- It takes time to learn and be effective
- Ongoing support is challenging but important
- Funding