

Conceptual Models for Implementation Research - Discussion

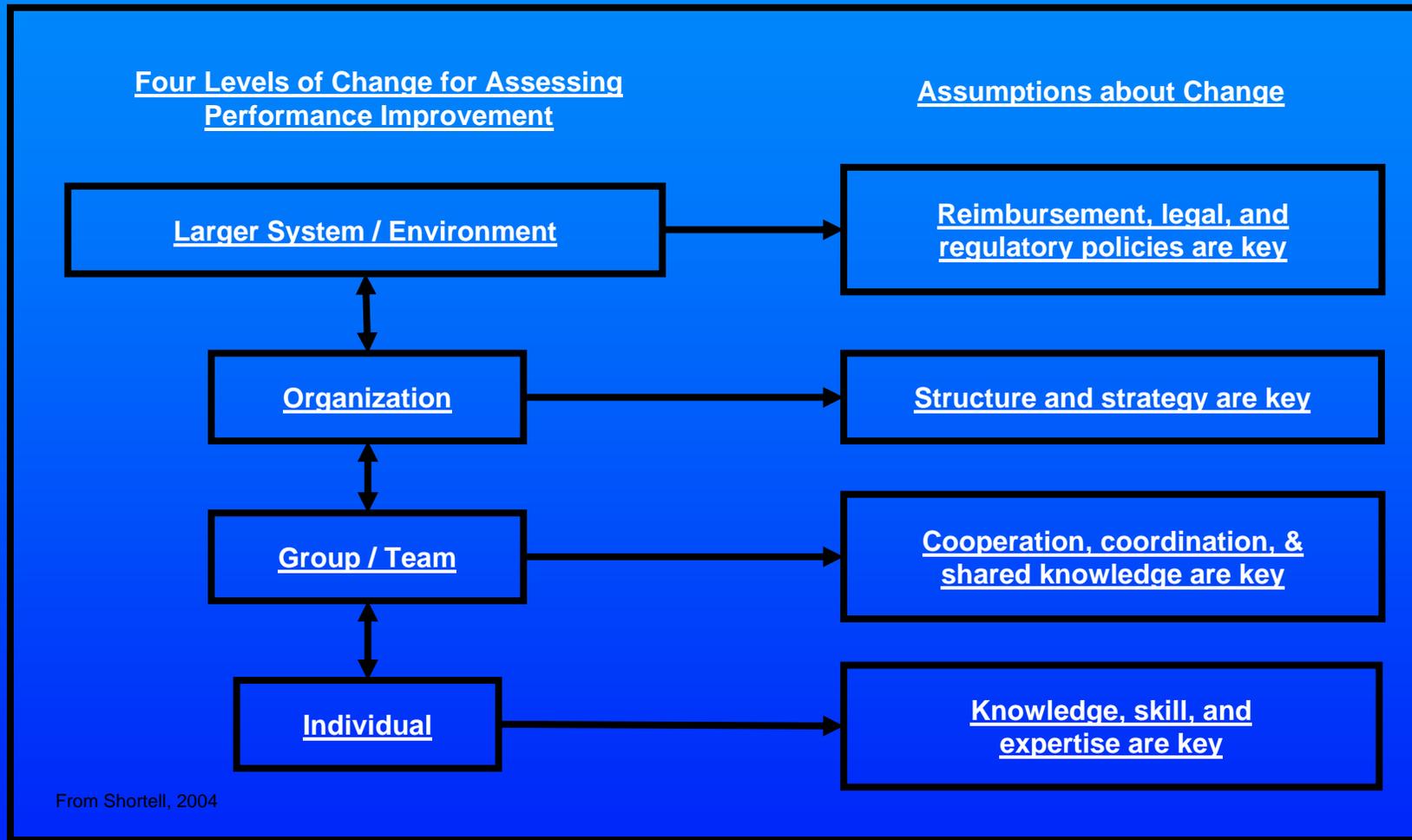
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Implementation Research as a Multi-Level Problem - Heuristic Model



Heterogeneity in Models

- **Hoagwood**
 - Jaccard “unified theory of behavior change (client and provider level)
 - Organizational processes (Glisson team and agency level)
 - Habermas theory of communicative action - participatory action research ? Level ?
- **Mittman**
 - Multiple levels involved
 - Bounded health organizational context
 - Basis in management science – quality improvement
- **Proctor**
 - Non-specialty sectors of care – social services
 - Distinguishes between implementation, service, and patient outcomes – brings in the elements from the quality chasm reports

Overarching Questions in IR Conceptual Model Development

- Do we have an overarching model (like the Anderson & Aday health services model) – are there currently numerous discipline-specific implementation theories, as well as several unifying theories?
- Will it be more fruitful to develop service sector specific models or an overarching model?
- Role of path dependency – see Atul Gawande, “Getting There from Here”, New Yorker, Jan. 26, 2009 – comprehensive health care – historical origins in Great Britain, France, Switzerland – Post 2nd WW