Health in All Policies: Identifying Partners to Address the Root Causes of Health Inequities

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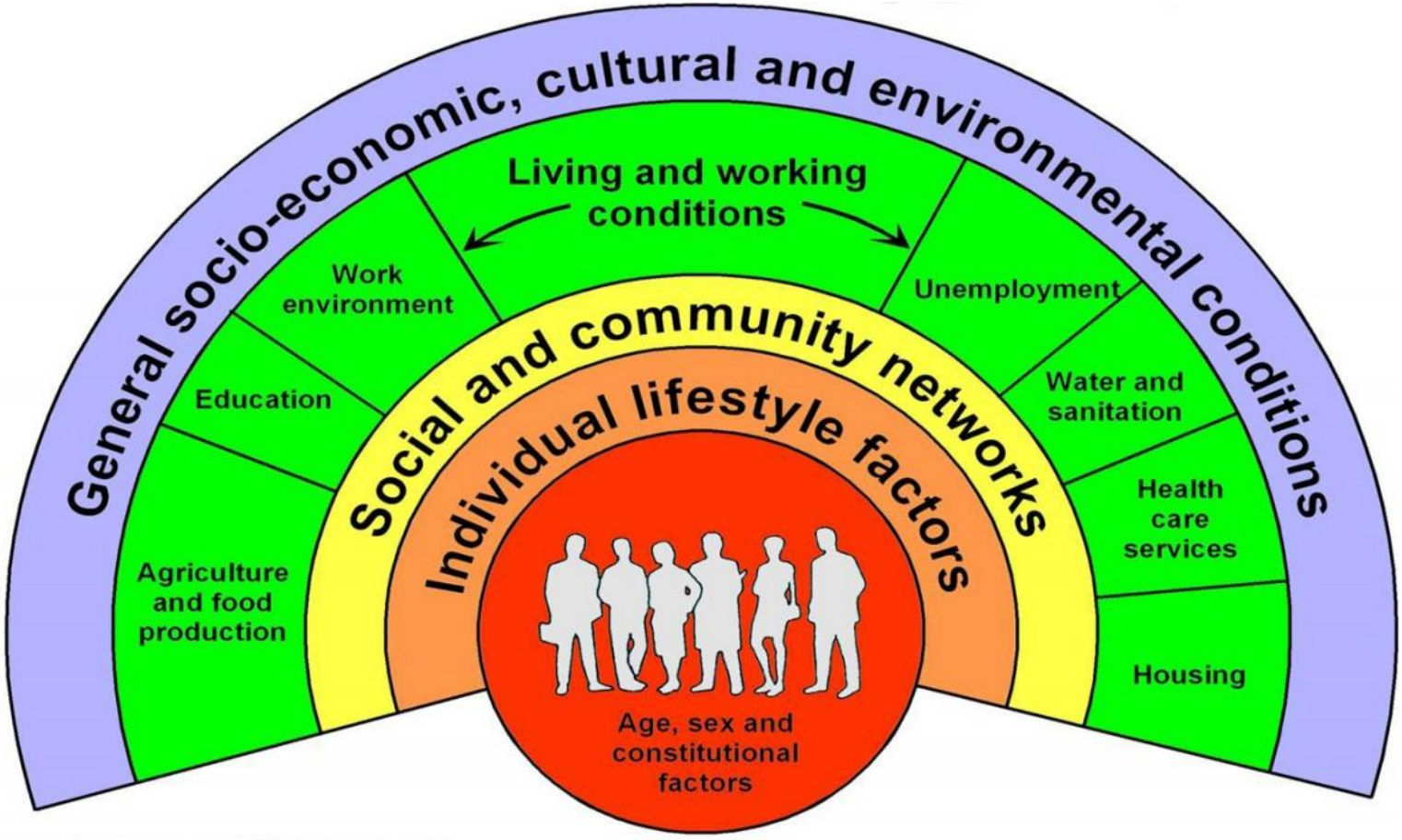
Social Determinants of Health



Source: Dahlgren and Whitehead, 1991

DANGER
END OF
STORM
DRAIN

Key Elements of Health in All Policies

- Promotes health and equity
- Supports intersectoral collaboration
- Benefits multiple partners
- Engages external stakeholders
- Creates structural or process change

Putting Health in All Policies into Practice

- HiAP is not new
  - Used internationally
  - EU, especially Finnish presidency
  - South Australia
- California Health in All Policies Task Force

California HiAP Task Force – Developing a Shared Vision

- Creation of Aspirational Goals
- Development of Health Communities Framework
- Root Cause Mapping Exercise

Why is Jason Sick?

- *Why is Jason in the hospital?*
- *But why does he have an infection?*
- *But why does he have a cut on his leg?*
- *But why was he playing in a junkyard?*
- *But why does he live in that neighborhood?*
- *But why can't his parents afford a nicer place to live?*
- *But why ...?*

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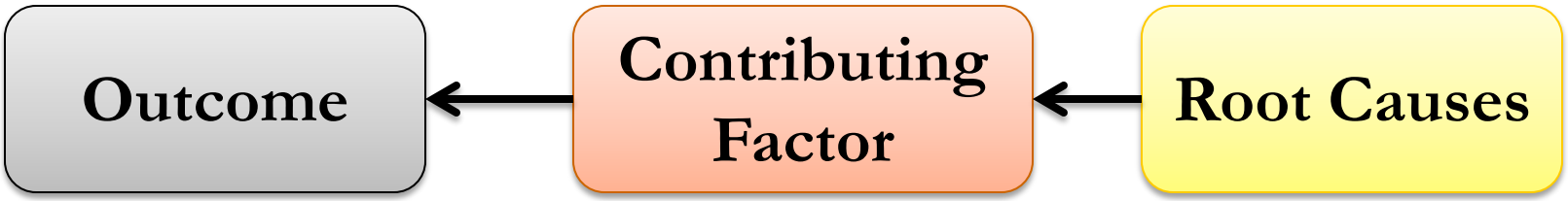
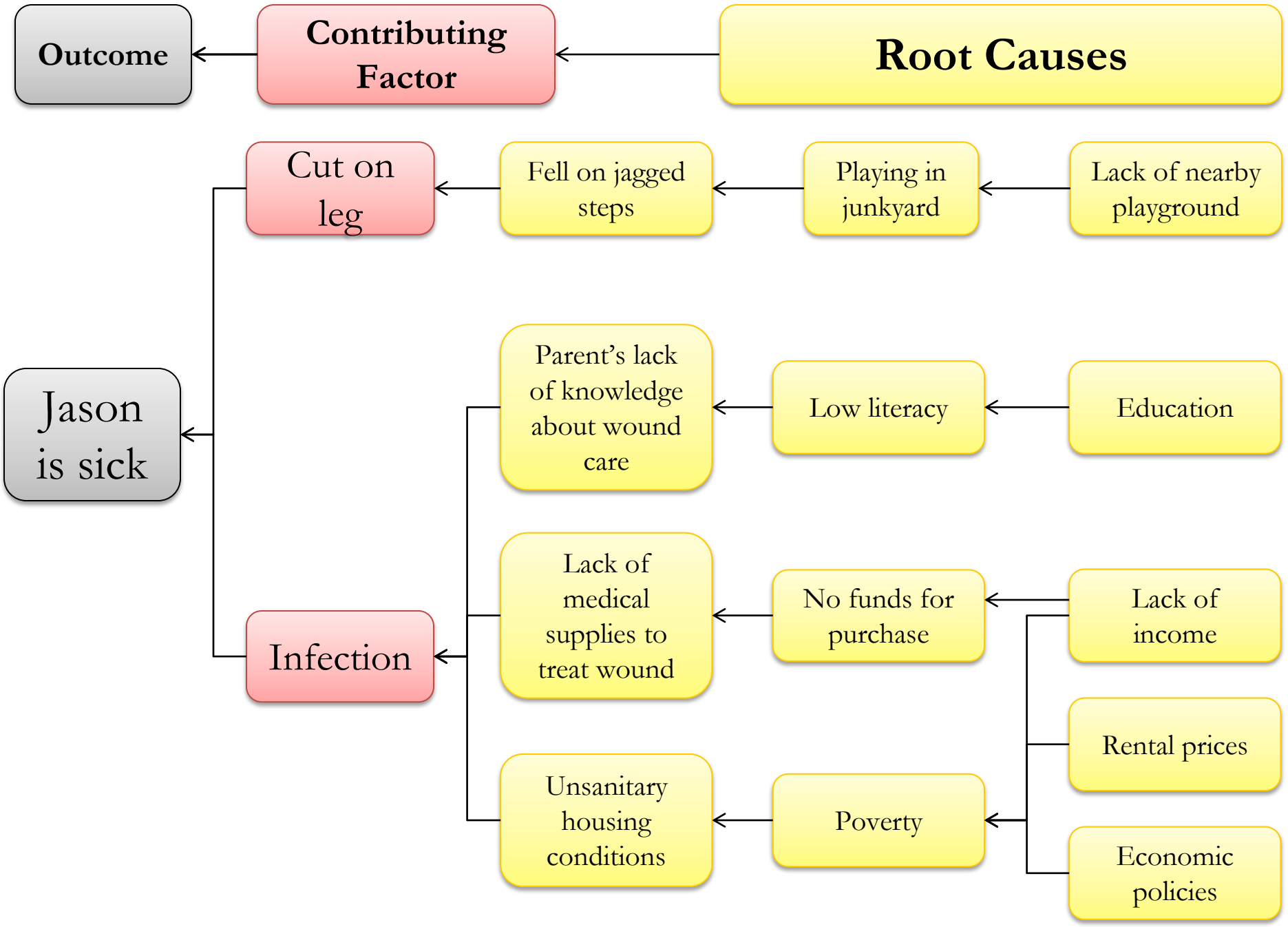
Root Cause Mapping




Outcome
Contributing Factor
Root Causes
Jason is sick
Cut on leg
Fell on jagged steps
Playing in junkyard
Lack of nearby playground
Infection
Parent's lack of knowledge about wound care
Low literacy
Education
Lack of medical supplies to treat wound
No funds for purchase
Lack of income
Rental prices
Unsanitary housing conditions
Poverty
Economic policies

For More Information

- Strategic Growth Council, Task Force Website

http://www.sgc.ca.gov/hiap

- Health in All Policies Task Force mailing list

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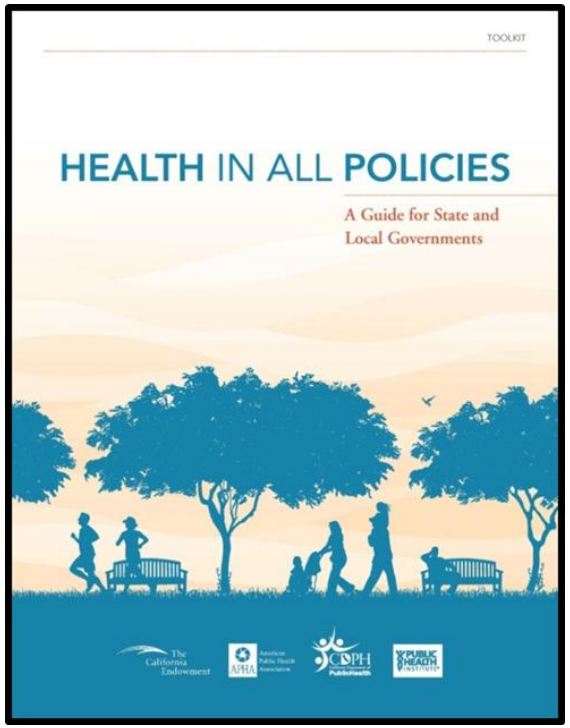
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