
Pan-Canadian Digital Identity/Trust

Update for Joint Councils

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Agenda

1. Progress report for accelerated implementation
2. Stakeholder engagement

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Saskatchewan	Cosanna Preston
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Alberta	Chantal Ritcey
British Columbia	Sophia Howse

Jurisdiction	Name
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Nunavut	Shawn Morrissey
Northwest Territories	Linda Maljan
Municipal-MSDO	Darren Baden
GC-IRCC	Paul Faucher
GC-TBS	Michael Goit
GC-PHAC	Alex Bourque
GC-ISED	Paul Jackson
ICCS-ISAC	Peter Watkins

Accelerated Implementation Pan-Canadian Digital Identity/trust

- November 26, 2020
 - Support for ADM Panel for accelerated implementation
- December 10, 2020
 - JC-JEDI – roundtable on accelerated implementation
- January 12, 2021
 - Meeting of ADM Panel for accelerated implementation

---many working level meetings ensued---

- February 18, 2021
 - Meeting of ADM's focused on health sector opportunity

JC-JEDI: Dec 10, 2020 Roundtable

Authoritative Public Sector Issuers Services Across a Digital Economy

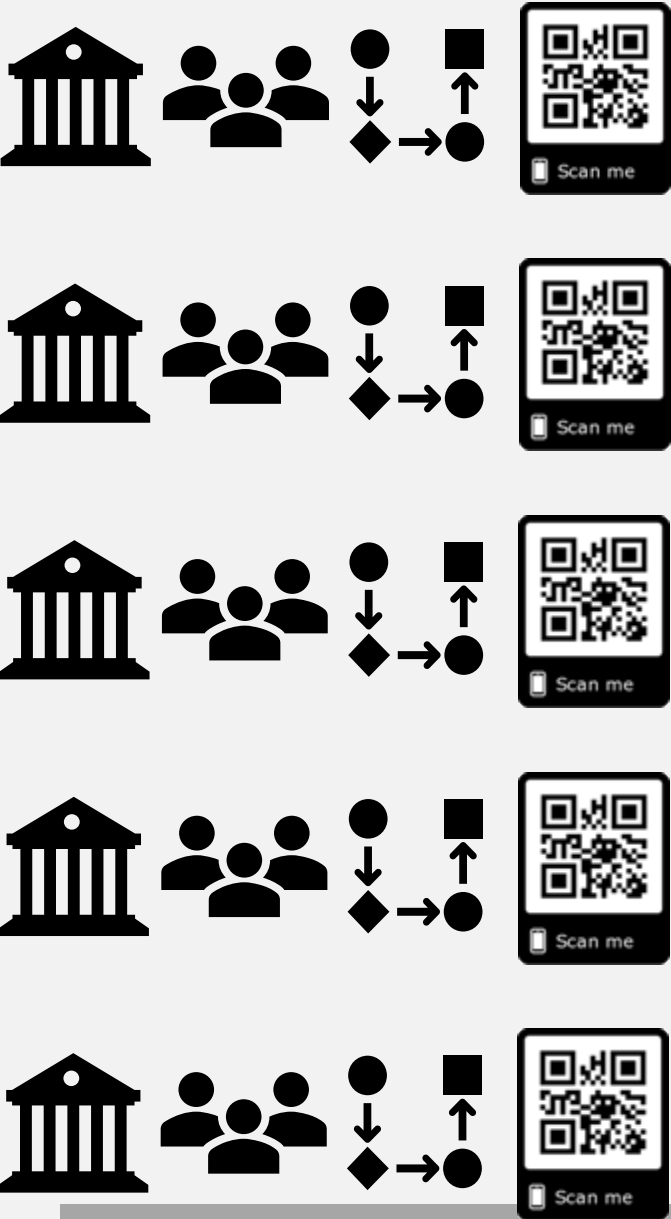
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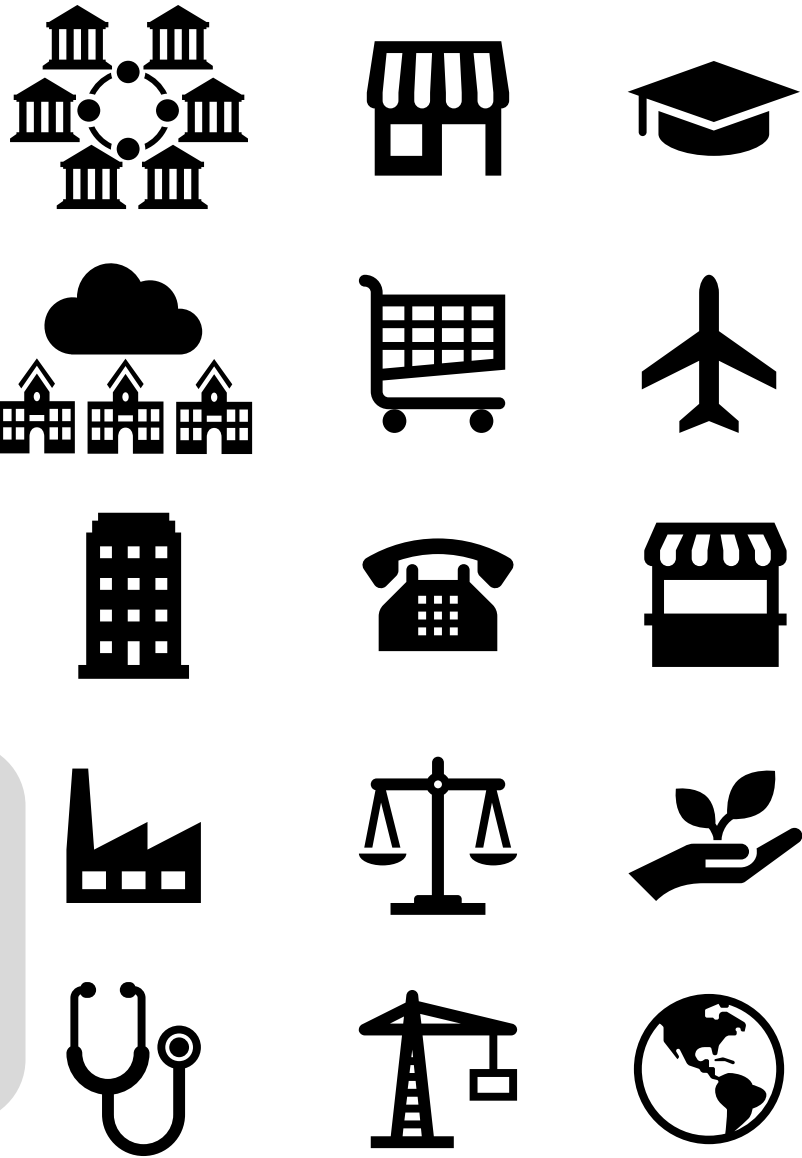


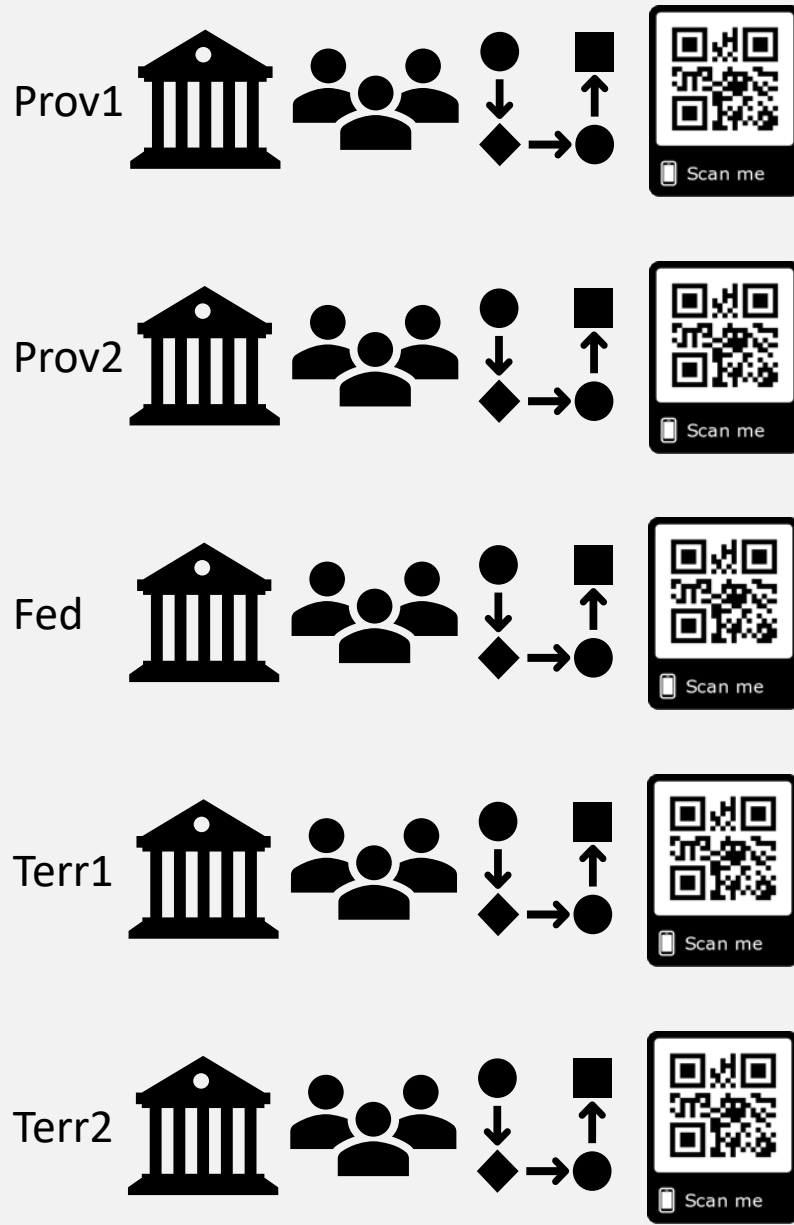
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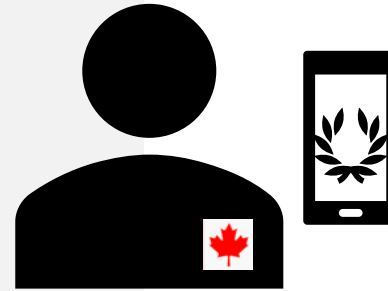
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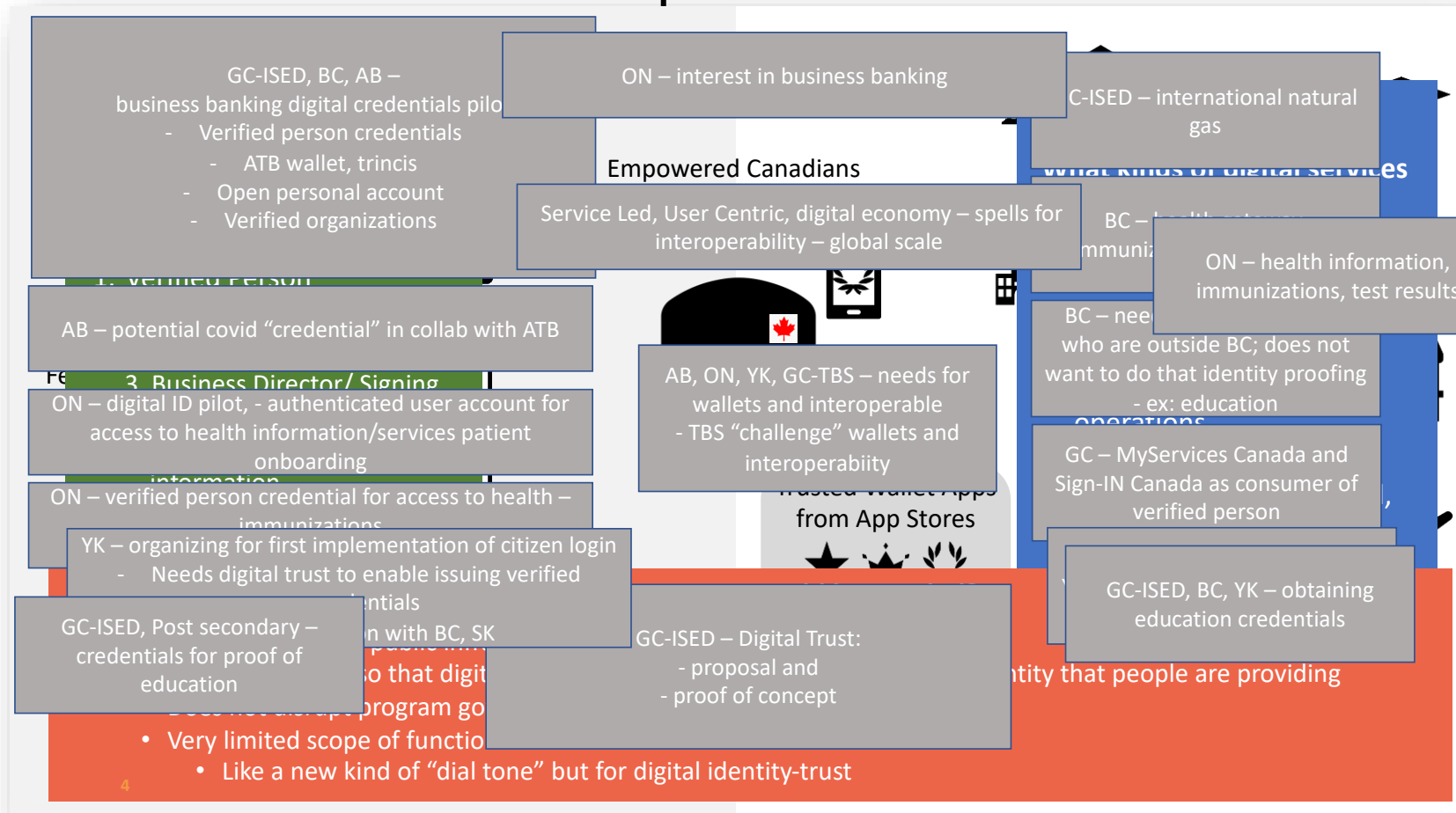
What infrastructure would be needed?

New, critically needed, public infrastructure for digital trust

- Must be in place so that digital services can verify who issued the digital identity that people are providing
- Does not disrupt program governance or authorities
- Very limited scope of function
 - Like a new kind of “dial tone” but for digital identity-trust

JC-JEDI: Dec 10, 2020 Roundtable

- The roundtable session at Dec 10 JC-JEDI meeting illustrated some opportunities for accelerated implementation



ADM Panel
Pan-Canadian Digital Identity/Trust
Meeting of the Potential Early Implementors

Agenda
January 12, 2021 3pm EST

1	Introductions	All	5 minutes
2	Quick overview of Multi-Track Action Plan – slide 14	Peter Watkins	5 minutes
3	Roundtable <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Using slide 14 as the reference• Do you agree with the proposed tracks of the plan?• What contributions and interests do you have?• What are the essential things the plan must address?• What would success look like for you?	Roundtable 3-5 minutes per ADM Open discussion	40 minutes
4	Next steps and next meeting	Peter Watkins	5 minutes

Jan 12, 2021 – ADM Panel

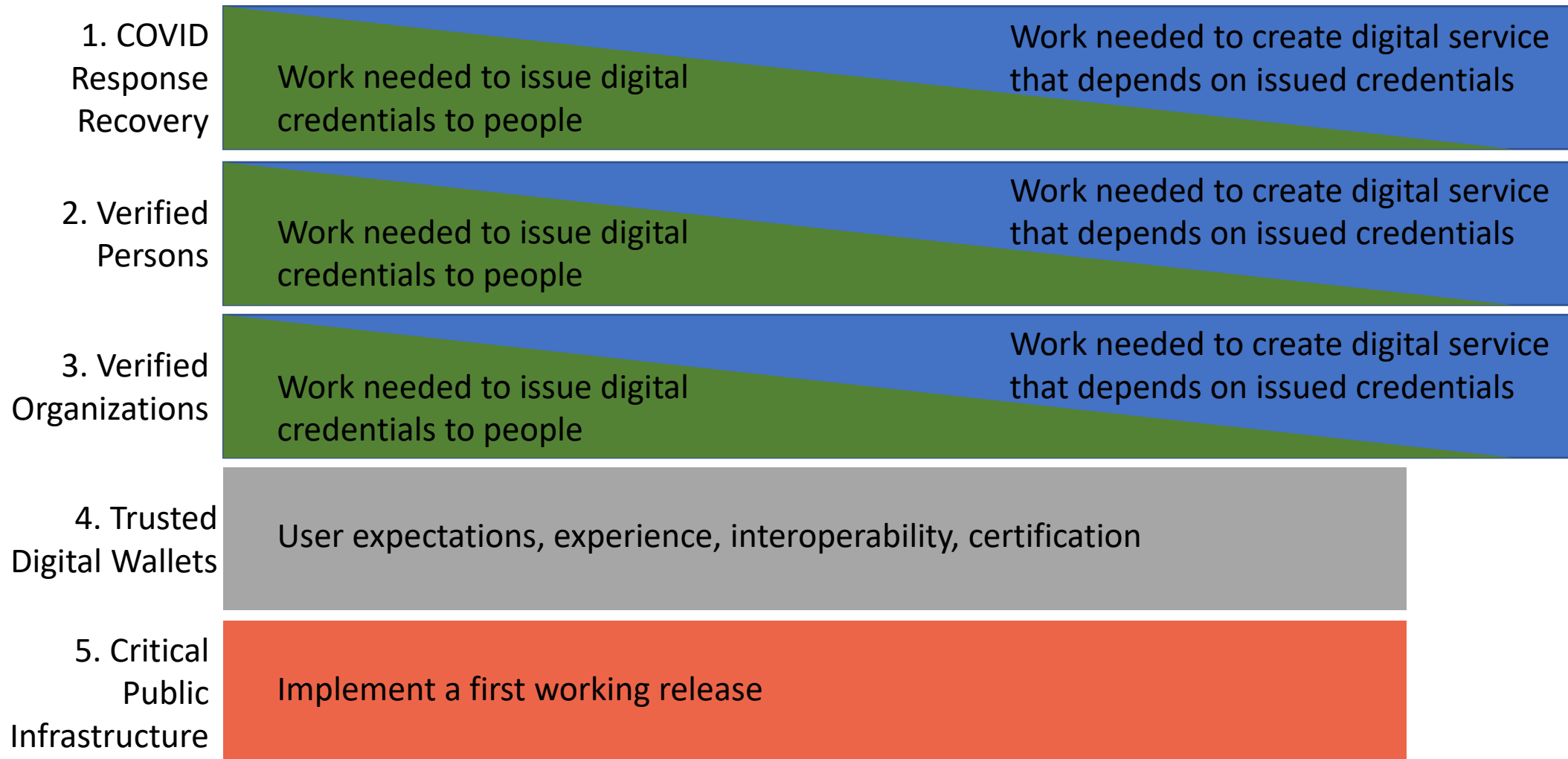
ADM

- Natasha Clarke (NS)
- Robert Devries (ON)
- Beverly Dicks (BC) – Sophia Howse acting
- Anik Dupont (GC-EDSC)
- CJ Ritchie (BC)
- Pierre Rodrigue (QC)
- Pirthipal Singh (GC-ISED)
- Jason Wall (SK) – Lisa Raddysh acting
- Paul Wagner (GC-TBS)

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- Paul Faucher (GC-IRCC)
- Michael Goit (GC-TBS)
- Sophia Howse (BC)
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- Arlene Williams (NS)

Multi-Track Pan-Canadian Action Plan



Jan 12 – ADM Panel: Outcome

1. Strong alignment among plans and intentions of the participants with Pan-Canadian Digital Identity/trust
2. Plans did not naturally result in accelerated implementation during 2021
3. The logic of aligning with needs around COVID response and recovery was accepted HOWEVER skeptical about being able to move fast enough
4. Received direction to bring forward a feasible plan for aligning with COVID response/recovery needs as a driving use-case for accelerated implementation of Pan-Canadian Digital Identity/trust during 2021
 - Premise is that if it can be shown that it is feasible, then such a plan will have leadership's interest

Multi-Track Pan-Canadian Action Plan



Feb 18 – ADM Panel Health Opportunity

ADM

- Corrie Barclay (BC-Health)
- Robert Devries (ON)
- Beverly Dicks (ServiceBC)
- Luc Gagnon (GC-PHAC)
- CJ Ritchie (BC-CIO)
- Pirthipal Singh (GC-ISED)
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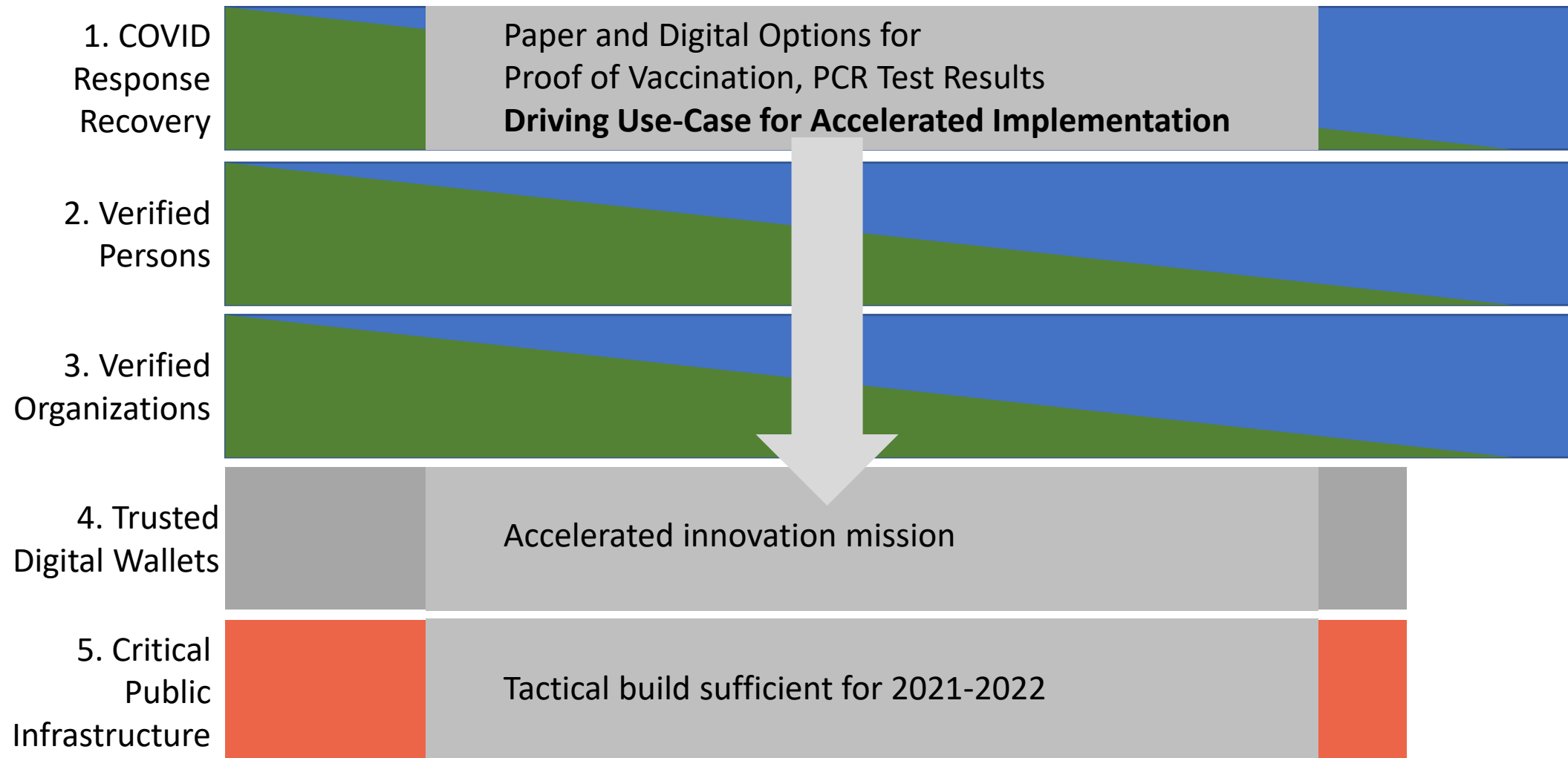
- Alex Bourque (GC-PHAC)
- Rumon Carter (BC-CIO)
- Justin Cloutier-Benjamin (GC-PHAC)
- Michael Goit (GC-TBS-JEDI)
- Sophia Howse (BC-JEDI)
- Paul Jackson (GC-ISED-JEDI)
- Paul Shrimpton (BC-Heath)
- Igor Solesa (ON-ODS)

Feb 18 – ADM Panel Health Opportunity

- Discussion focused on potential needs involving proof of vaccination and pcr test results.
- ADMs from Public Health Agency of Canada, British Columbia and Ontario supported moving ahead – carefully
- Envision three streams of activity
 1. Data standards, policy, and clarity for targeted uses for proof of vaccination and/or pcr test results
 2. Development of self-serve options for enabling people to have and share their proof of vaccination and pcr test results – like a set of proof of concepts to start with
 - Options to include choices allowing for paper and digital records recognizing that a range of capabilities may be needed
 - One option to be fully digital and to be a driving use-case for accelerated implementation of Pan-Canadian Digital Identity/trust infrastructure
 3. Accelerated implementation of Pan-Canadian Digital Identity/trust infrastructure
 - Infrastructure to be general purpose in nature, capable of supporting other types of credentials such as verified organization, business director, signing officer etc.

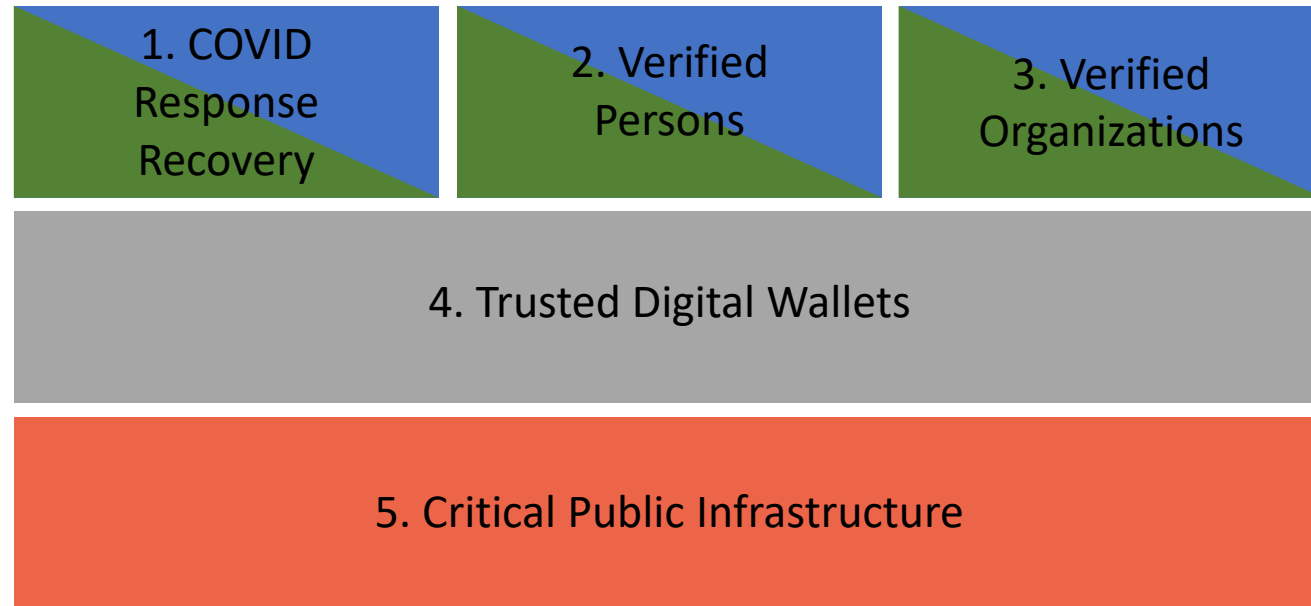
For Health this represents a readiness measure. It is not a decision or commitment to deploy.
Sensitivities about “passports” and technology getting ahead of events.
Discretion and careful communications are required.

Multi-Track Pan-Canadian Action Plan



Next Steps: Multi-Track Pan-Canadian Action Plan

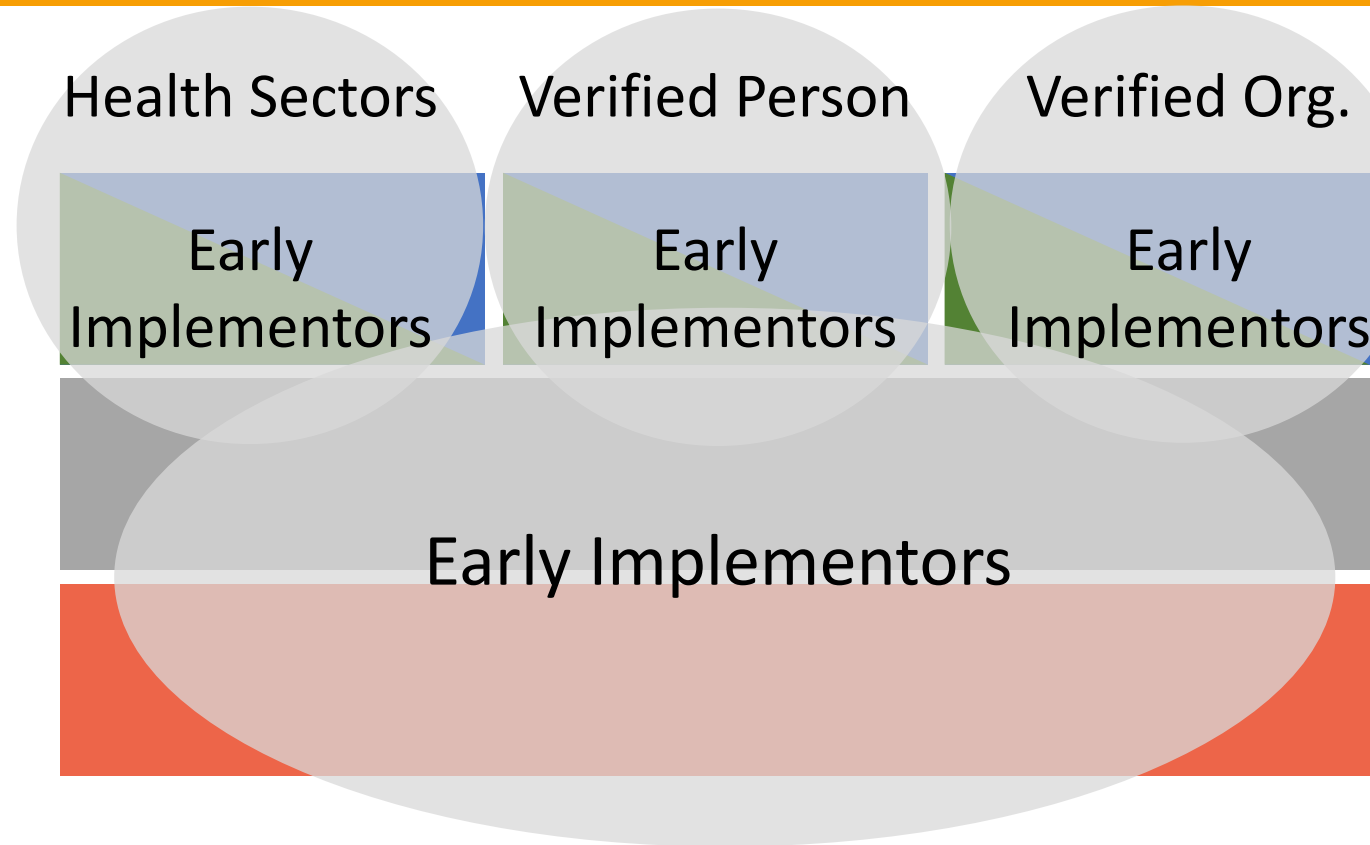
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Stakeholder Engagement: JC-JEDI considering requests for participation

1. MISA – additional municipal representative
2. Vital Statistics Council of Canada

Decision briefs for each of these are being considered by JC-JEDI

Stakeholder Engagement: Standards Council of Canada (SCC)

- Opportunity to use structure and practices of SCC to move digital identity/trust frameworks and standards “to the next level”
- SCC is conducting an RFP to select an organization that can engage stakeholders to develop “technical specifications”
 - “Technical specifications” has a special meaning in the SCC context for a flexible process suitable for fast moving or evolving topics – digital identity is one of those
- Under NDA JC-JEDI members conducted a review of the draft RFP
 - SCC is incorporating the feedback from JC-JEDI to improve the RFP
- JC-JEDI met Feb 5 and Feb 19 to discuss interests and level of support
 - JC-JEDI, as a collective, supports the SCC process: viewed as being helpful
 - JC-JEDI members to determine if their jurisdiction will participate in RFP proposal evaluation
- Detailed briefing available from your JC-JEDI member

The way JC-JEDI responded quickly to this opportunity demonstrates the value of their mandate, capability, and growing teamwork.

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