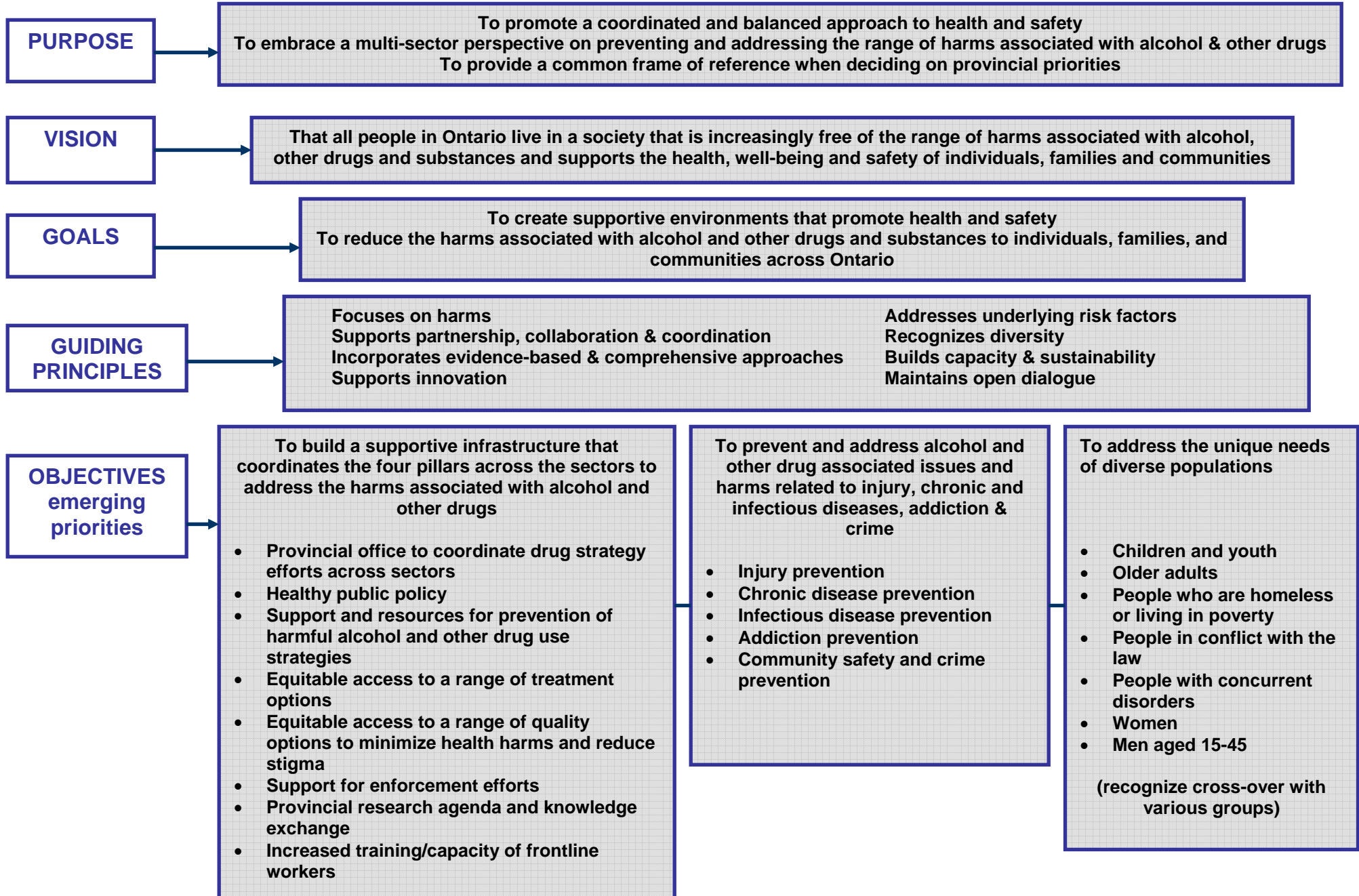


# A PROPOSED DRUG STRATEGY FRAMEWORK FOR ONTARIO

a comprehensive approach to alcohol and other drugs - consultation draft (January 2008)



**PURPOSE**

To promote a coordinated and balanced approach to health and safety  
To embrace a multi-sector perspective on preventing and addressing the range of harms associated with alcohol & other drugs  
To provide a common frame of reference when deciding on provincial priorities

**VISION**

That all people in Ontario live in a society that is increasingly free of the range of harms associated with alcohol, other drugs and substances and supports the health, well-being and safety of individuals, families and communities

**GOALS**

To create supportive environments that promote health and safety  
To reduce the harms associated with alcohol and other drugs and substances to individuals, families, and communities across Ontario

**GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

<p>Focuses on harms Supports partnership, collaboration &amp; coordination Incorporates evidence-based &amp; comprehensive approaches Supports innovation</p>	<p>Addresses underlying risk factors Recognizes diversity Builds capacity &amp; sustainability Maintains open dialogue</p>
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**OBJECTIVES emerging priorities**

To build a supportive infrastructure that coordinates the four pillars across the sectors to address the harms associated with alcohol and other drugs

- Provincial office to coordinate drug strategy efforts across sectors
- Healthy public policy
- Support and resources for prevention of harmful alcohol and other drug use strategies
- Equitable access to a range of treatment options
- Equitable access to a range of quality options to minimize health harms and reduce stigma
- Support for enforcement efforts
- Provincial research agenda and knowledge exchange
- Increased training/capacity of frontline workers

To prevent and address alcohol and other drug associated issues and harms related to injury, chronic and infectious diseases, addiction & crime

- Injury prevention
- Chronic disease prevention
- Infectious disease prevention
- Addiction prevention
- Community safety and crime prevention

To address the unique needs of diverse populations

- Children and youth
- Older adults
- People who are homeless or living in poverty
- People in conflict with the law
- People with concurrent disorders
- Women
- Men aged 15-45

(recognize cross-over with various groups)