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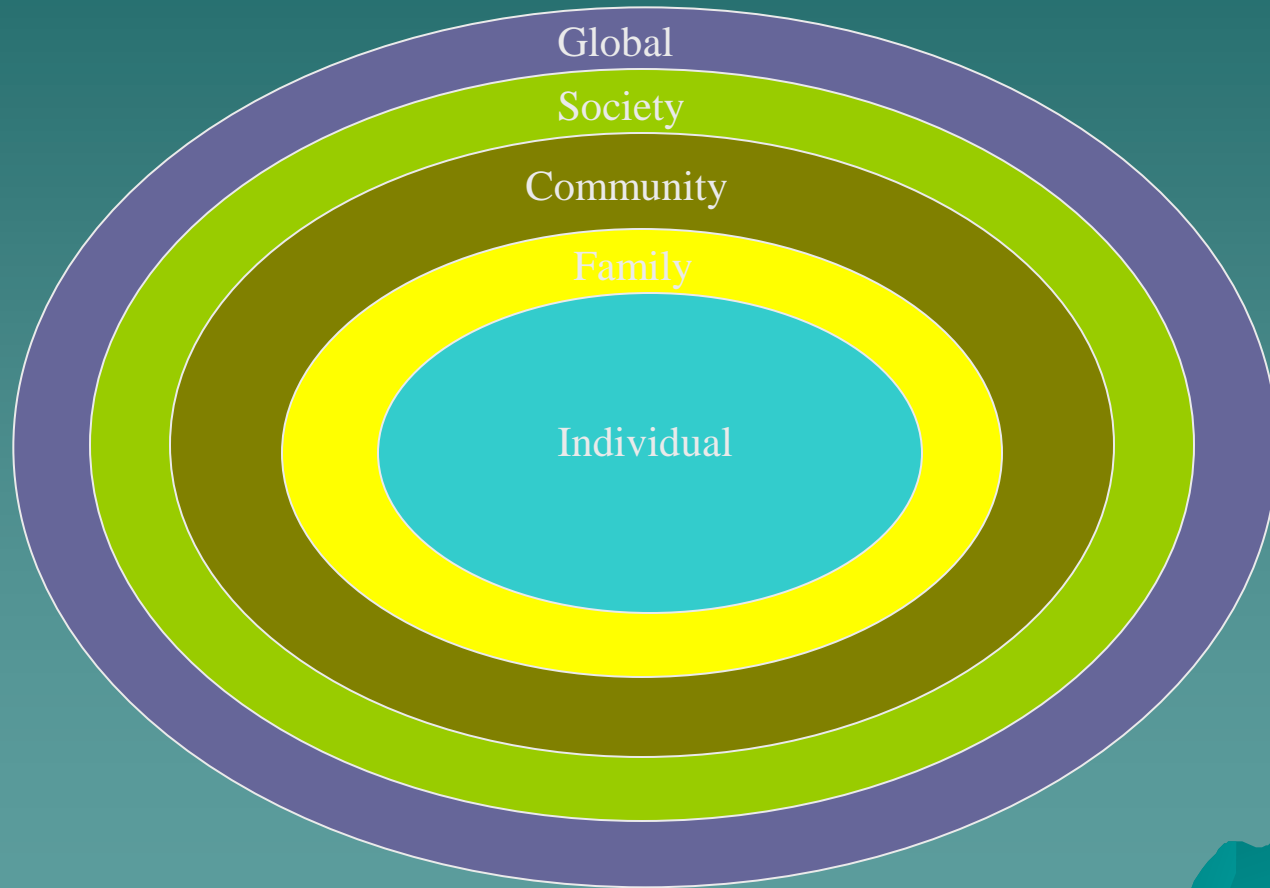
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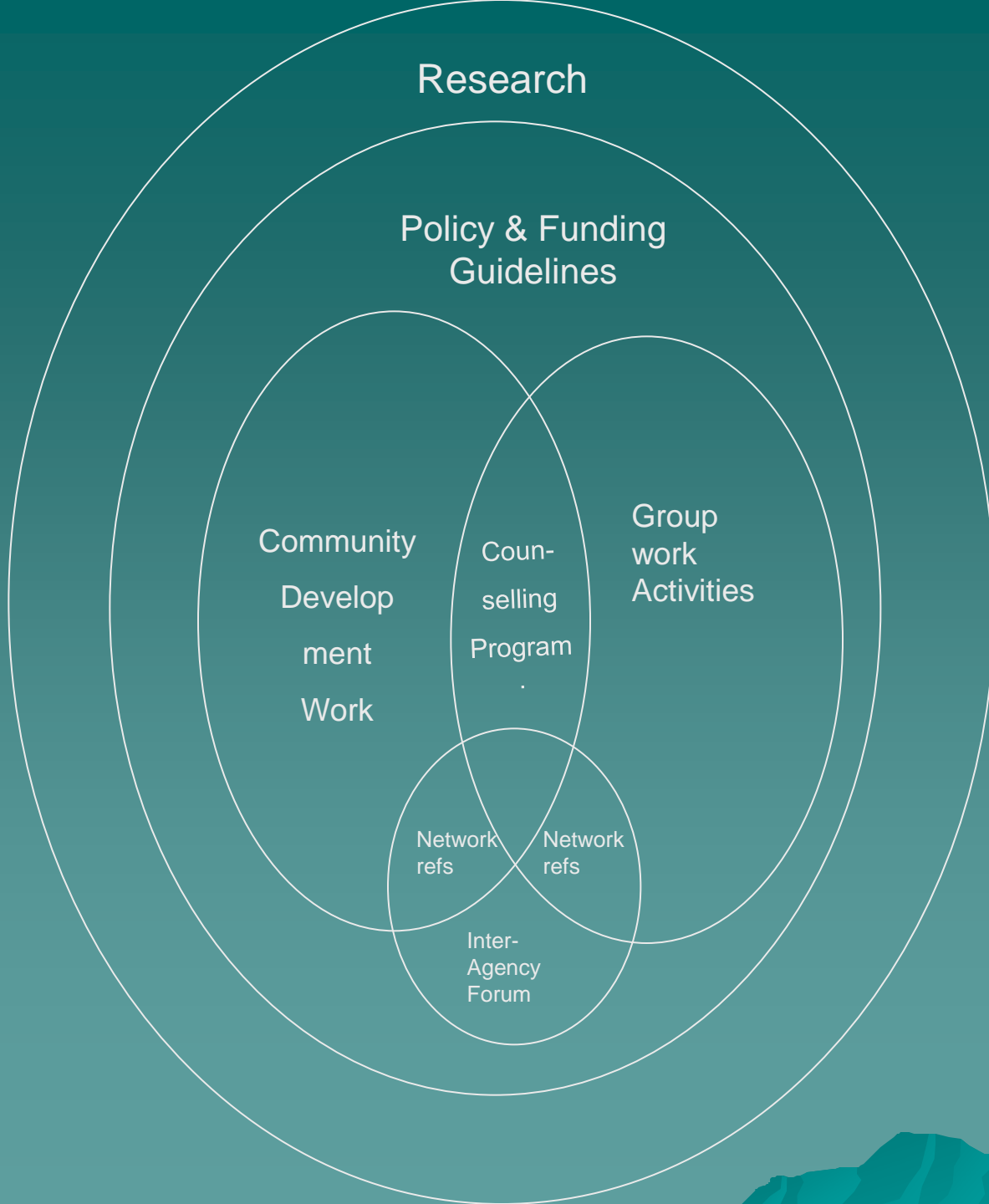
Community Development, Social Care
Initiatives within a Rural Narrative

Framework – 9th National Rural/Remote
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Person-in-Environment Ecological Systems Model





Kylie Aqlias
Women in Corrections:
A Call to Social Work,
Australian
Social. Work Vol 57,
Number 4, Dec. 2004
p. 335

Farm Drought Holiday Project



Taking Time to Plan

- ◆ Embarking on such a project requires fair degree of passion, commitment, working at many levels at any one time, open to dealing with changes at any given time, sorting out conflict, replanning and not becoming overwhelmed by the amount of time that requires ones time
- ◆ Community Projects regularly come from Volunteer Groups –In this case it was the Inverleigh Lions Club
- ◆ Forging relationships with key stake holders which form a steering group

Guiding Principle that gives the Project Strength.

- ◆ ' The purpose of practice is to restore individual , family and community wellbeing and promote principles of social justice'

{Bland & Renouf -2001}

Key Elements of a Successful Community Development Project

- ❖ Initial Contact –

Having a sound appreciation of what one is going to embark upon

In doing so having models of C.D that will be helpful in managing the process.

- ❖ Initial Needs Identification –

Having strong team work in making assessments and in doing so balancing the complexity of selecting families

- ❖ Partnership and Collaboration –

Being able to working across, professional, geographical, organizational and community structures

Key Elements

❖ Respect, Dignity, Confidentiality

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Compassion

Two vital Aspects

- ❖ Time Lines, Budget, Activities Planned , Emergency Numbers, Contact Details, Medical Services, Duty of Care and then actually rolling out the project in a orderly manner
- ❖ Project Completion –
Follow up with the participants, those who where part of the team and providing the sponsor Volunteer organization with a presentation of the projects achievements.