

Promoting Stability for Families and Providers: Evaluating the New 12-Month Minimum Authorization Requirement under the CCDBG Act of 2014

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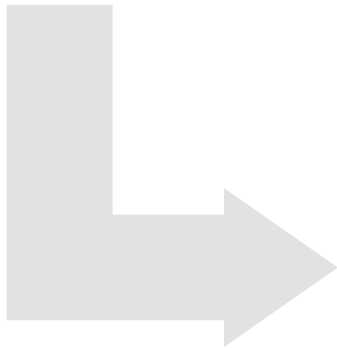
Outline

1. CCDBG Implementation and Evaluation Research Grants
2. Conceptual Model: Evaluating MA CCDBG Policy Changes
3. Phase I: Piloting Measures (Pre-Change) & Previous Research
4. Phase II: Plan to Evaluate Policy Changes

CCDBG Implementation Research and Evaluation Grants

Phase I: Planning Grant (1.5 Year)

- Identify policy changes related to 2014 CCDBG Reauthorization
- Construct and test pre-measures
- Create implementation research and evaluation design



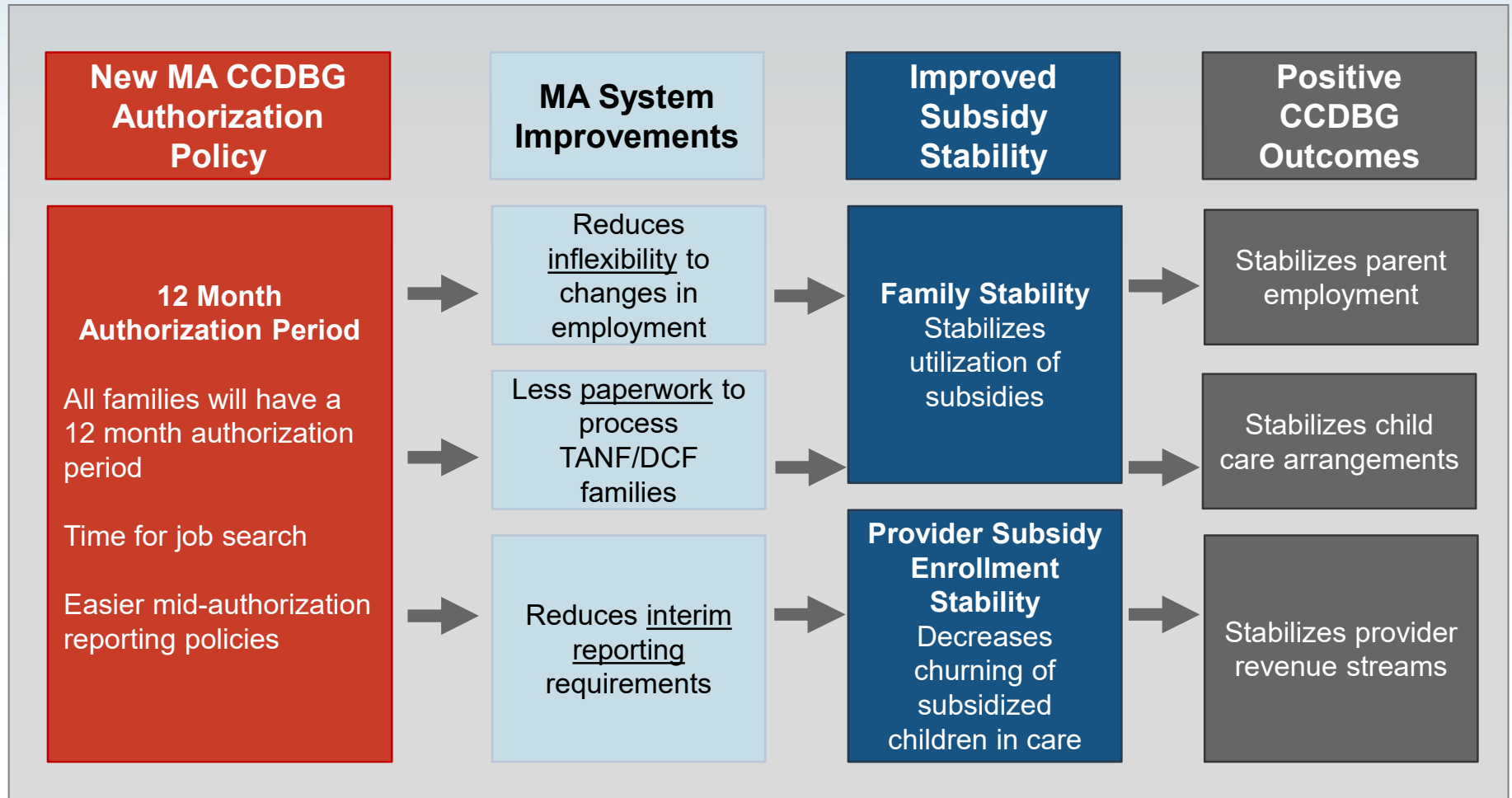
Phase II: Implementation Research and Evaluation Grant (4 Years)

If awarded:

- Execute implementation research and evaluation plan

Evaluating CCDBG Policy Changes

CCDBG Policy Change Conceptual Model



Pre-Measures:
**Stability in Child Care Subsidy Use
and Care Arrangement for
Children in MA**

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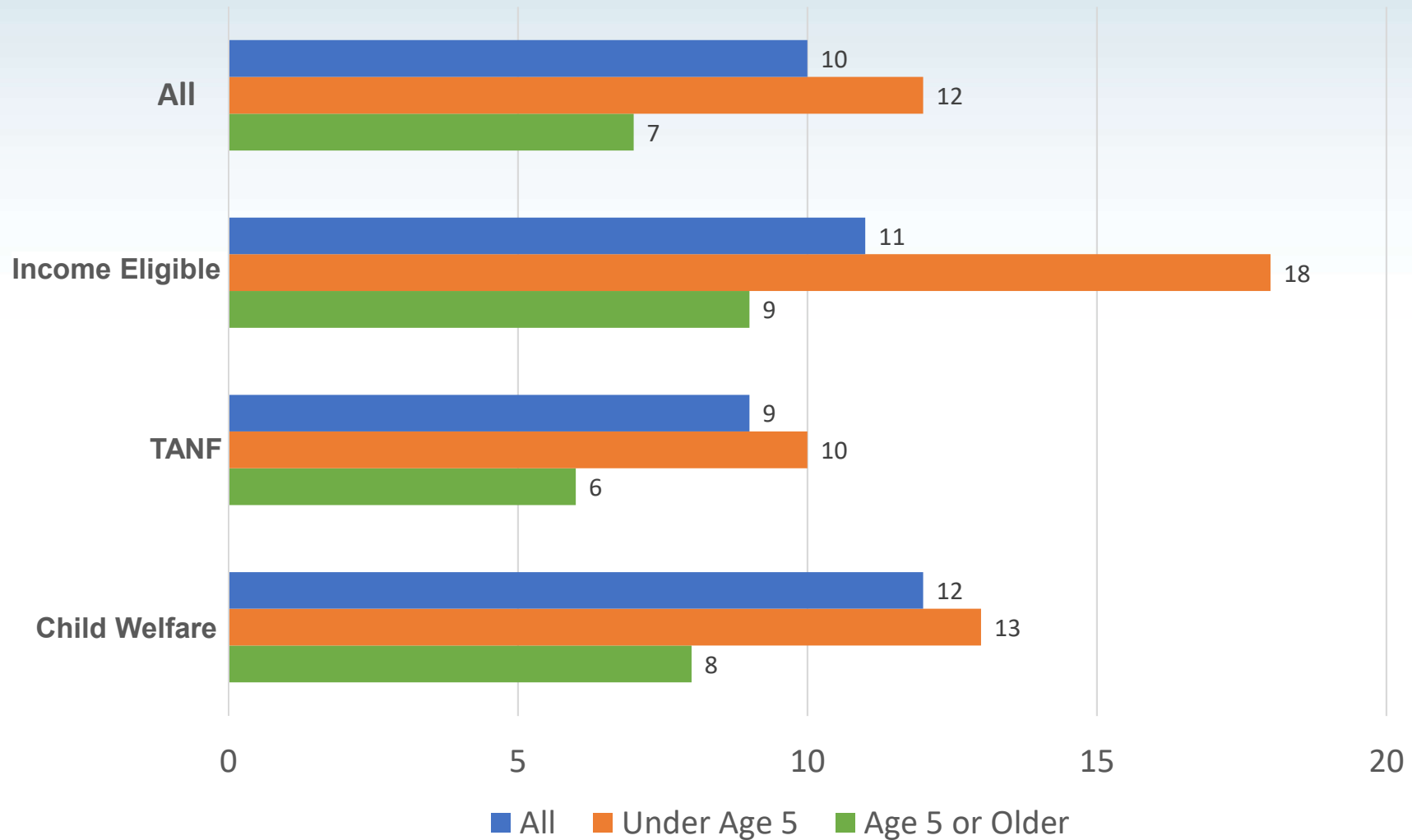
Data and Sample

- Data
 - Administrative data from Jan. 2012 to Jun. 2015
- Sample (n=53,692)
 - All children, excluding homeless and teen parent children, with a new subsidy-receipt spell between January and December 2012
 - Followed for at least 30 months after starting a new spell (maximum 42 months)

Average Number of Spells and Providers Used, All Children

	N (%)	Number of Subsidy-Receipt Spells	Number of Providers Used
TANF	23,307 (42%)	1.6	1.8
Income Eligible	21,166 (38%)	1.4	1.5
Child Welfare	9,219 (17%)	1.7	1.8
All	53,692 (100%)	1.5	1.7

Median Spell Length, All Spells



Pre-Measures (Phase I): Providers' Subsidy Stability

Provider Level Measures

- **Turnover Rate**
 - **Number of subsidized children that left** during the school year divided by the total number of subsidized children served during the school year.
- **Return Rate**
 - **Among the subsidized children who left,** how many children returned to the providers that they previously attended

Data and Sample

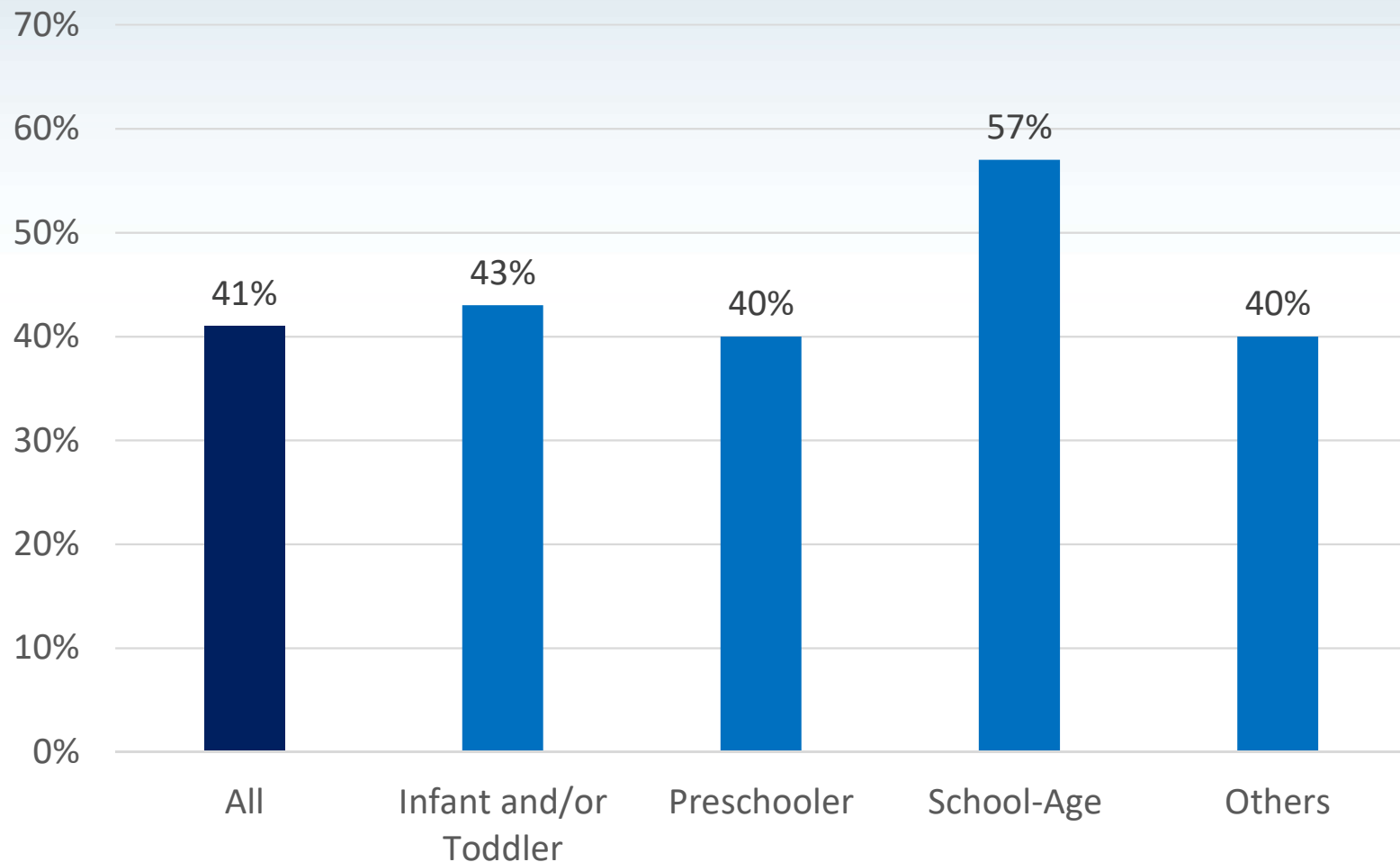
- **Data**

- Provider-level data (merged subsidy data with data from Licensing Manager)
- Data for turnover rate: Sep. 2012 – Aug. 2013
- Data for return rate: Sep. 2012 - Aug. 2014

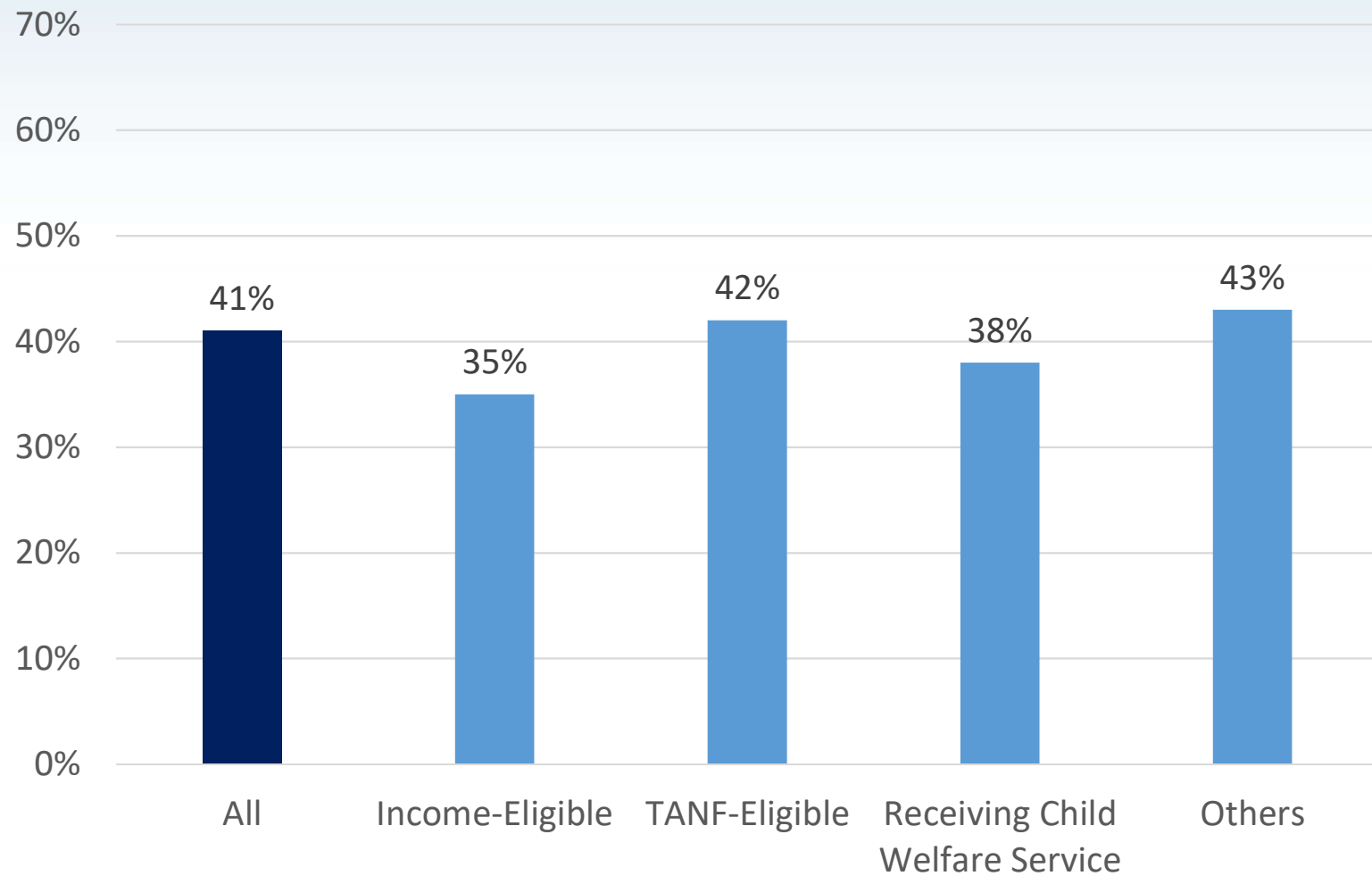
- **Sample (n=3,597)**

- Providers that served at least one subsidized child during the time period
- Excluded any providers with licensing issues or providers that went out of business during the time period

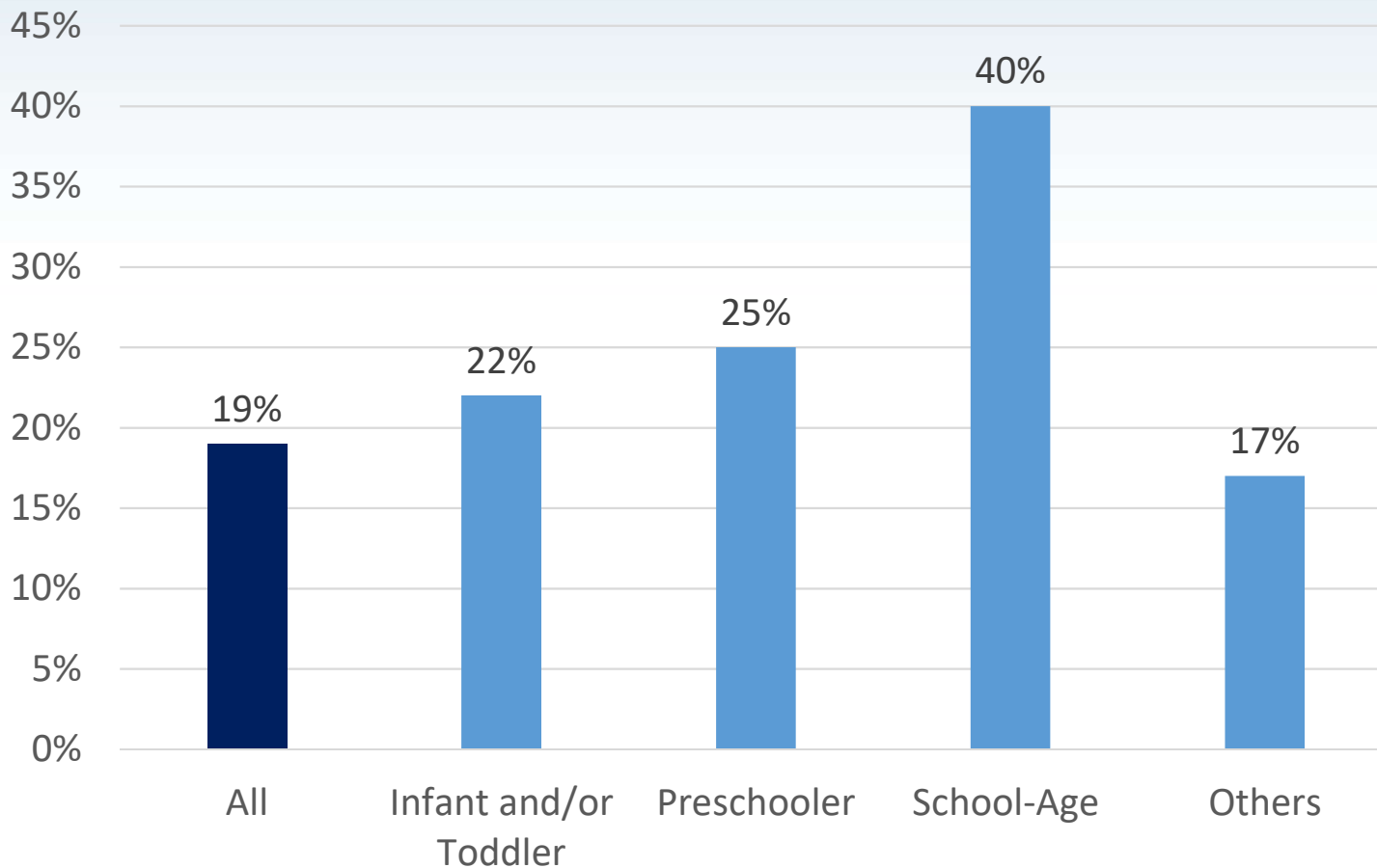
Annual Turnover Rate of Subsidized Children, by Child Age Served



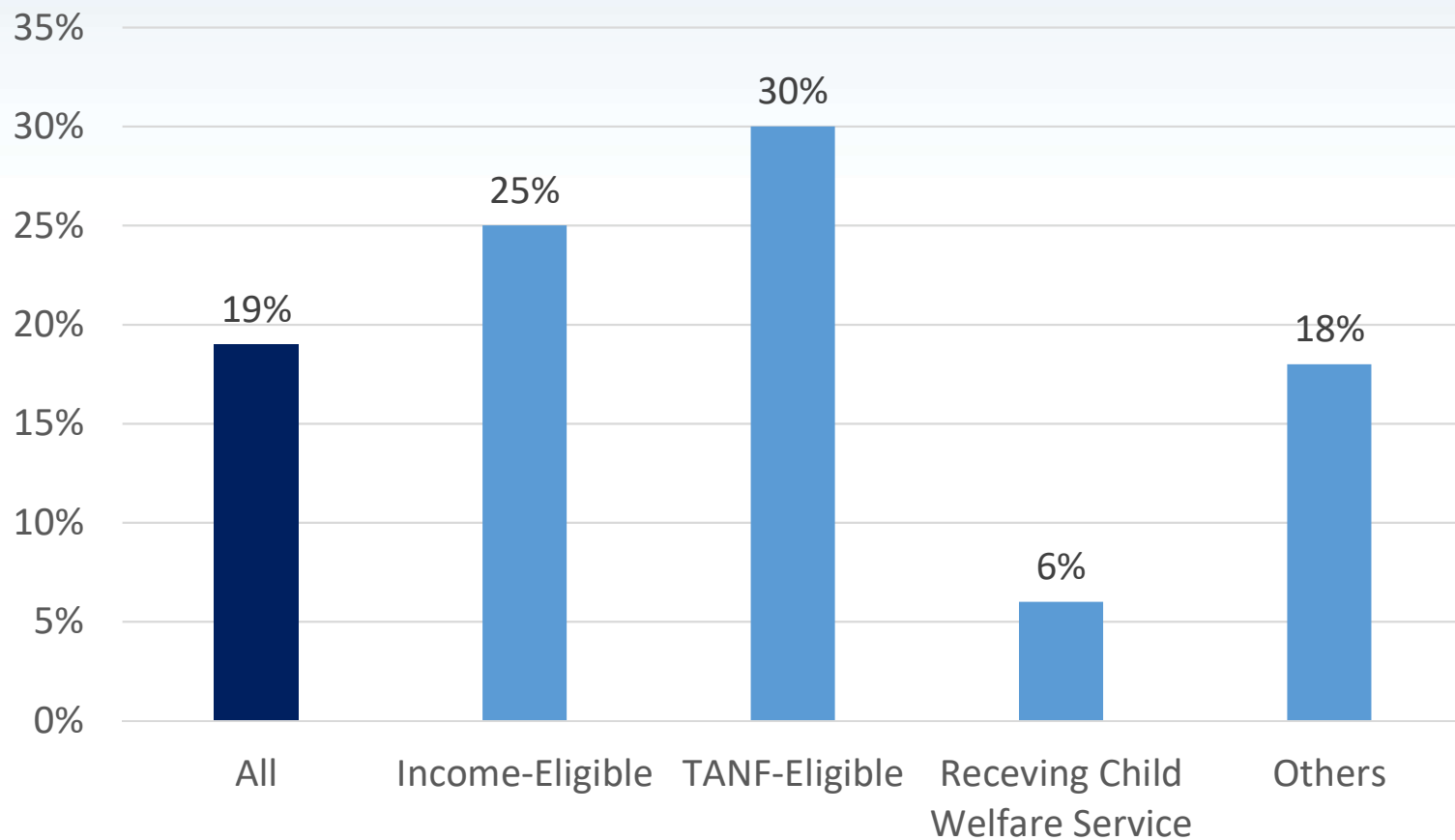
Annual Turnover Rate of Subsidized Children, by Eligibility Group Served



Return Rate of Subsidized Children, by Child Age Served



Return Rate of Subsidized Children, by Eligibility Group Served

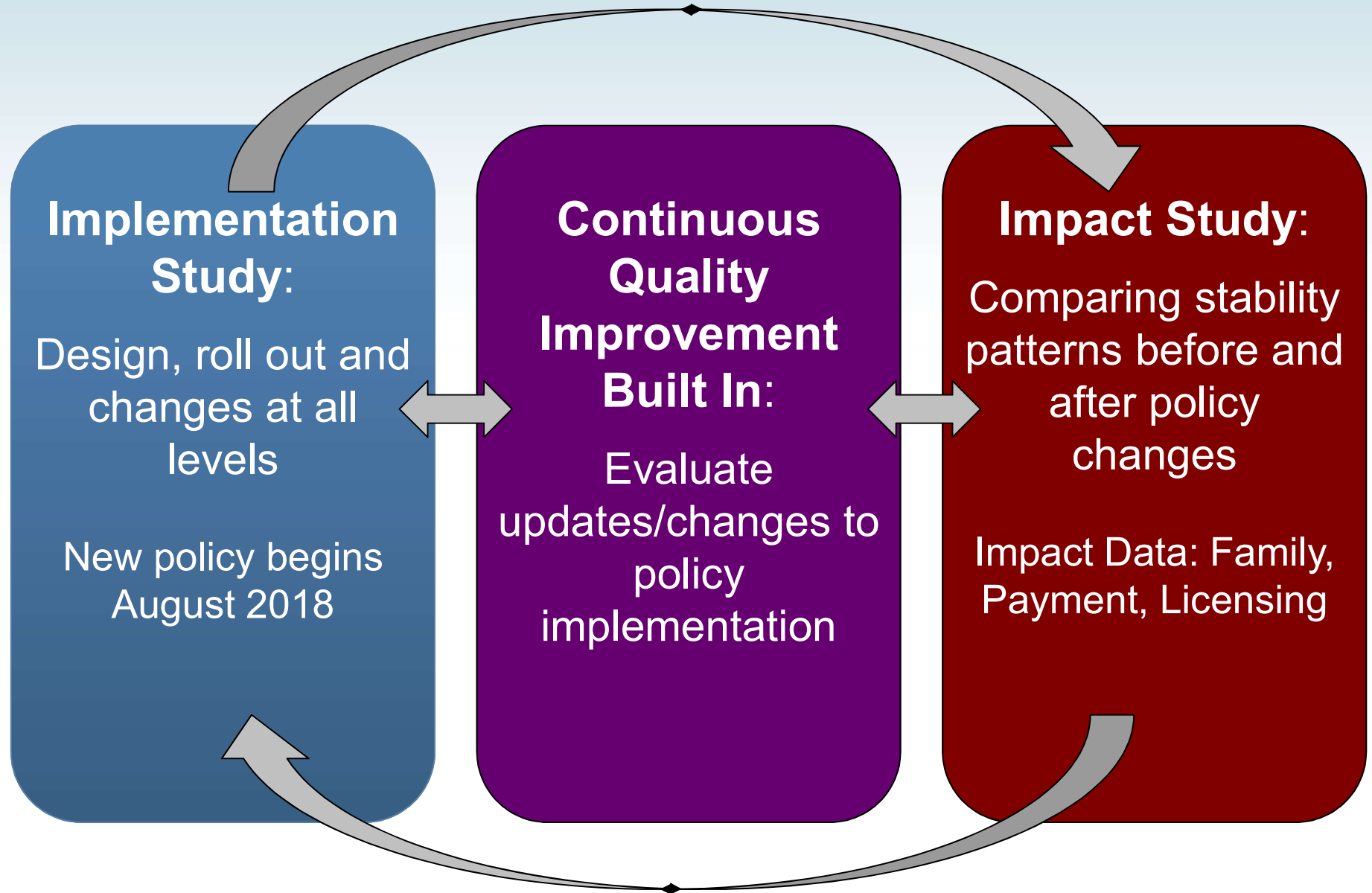


Phase II: Evaluating CCDBG Authorization Policy Changes

Key Design Components

- **CCDBG Policy Changes:** longer authorization period, job search, reduce mid-authorization reporting
- **Outcomes:**
 - Family stability: Subsidy receipt, continuity of care
 - Provider stability: Turnover rate, return rate
- **Mixed Methods Design:** Policy Impact and Implementation

Mixed Method Evaluation



Thank you!

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