Sustainability Plan

SERC

Equity Excellence
Education

Legislative History

1969 SDE contract
- Special Education Resource Center opens at St. Joseph College

1975 CGS 10-76n
- State Board of Education shall maintain the Special Education Resource Center

2005 CGS 10-4q
- State Education Resource Center created to maintain the Special Education Resource Center

Clarifying the Entity

2011 Senate Bill 1039

- This would have established State Education Resource Center as non-profit agency but passed without that provision
- "…It also will clarify for the public the association with the state Department of Education." – Acting Commissioner George Coleman on SB1039 at Education Committee public

2014 CGS 10-357 and CGS 10-76n as amended

- Reestablishes State Education Resource Center as a quasi-public agency
- "…The Commissioner of Education may allocate funds to allow the State Education Resource Center…. to provide professional development services…"
- SERC shall maintain the Special Education Resource Center

SERC is...

- A critical partner in a statewide system
  - Consolidated and centralized
  - Program management
  - Research and development
  - Nimble and responsive

The Framework

Identified Priority/Need

Statewide
- Web
- Statewide sessions
- Conference

Targeted
- Cohort Training & Networking
- Blende

Intensive
- Customized in-district TA
- Systemic

Current Reality

- Nimble and lean
  - Functioning at capacity
  - Anticipating cuts

- Maintaining who we are
  - Funding for equity
  - Mission creep

Current Focus

- Diversification of funding
  - Reduced dependency on state and federal
  - Strategic marketing
  - Rectify flow of contracts

- Cost effective service
  - Flexible staffing options
  - Subcontracting
  - Responsiveness and Top Talent
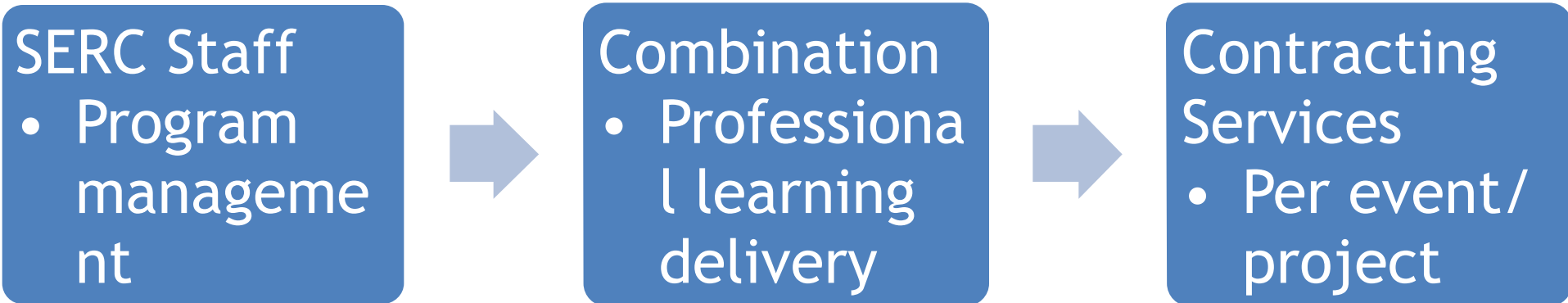
Diversification of Funding

SERC

State contracts	Fee for Service	Foundation
• CSDE	• LEAs	• Grants
• OEC	• Other	• Private

Functions

Program Management
- Program Delivery
- Program Support
- Program Service

Administrative Functions

Top Talent Staffing

SERC Staff
- Program management

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Combination
- Professional learning delivery

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Contracting Services
- Per event/project

Revisions

- Introduction from and background on Board of Directors

- Showcase district work examples

- Review examples

- Add more specifics/data

- Clarify recommendations