



## **Evidence-Based Practice for Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response**

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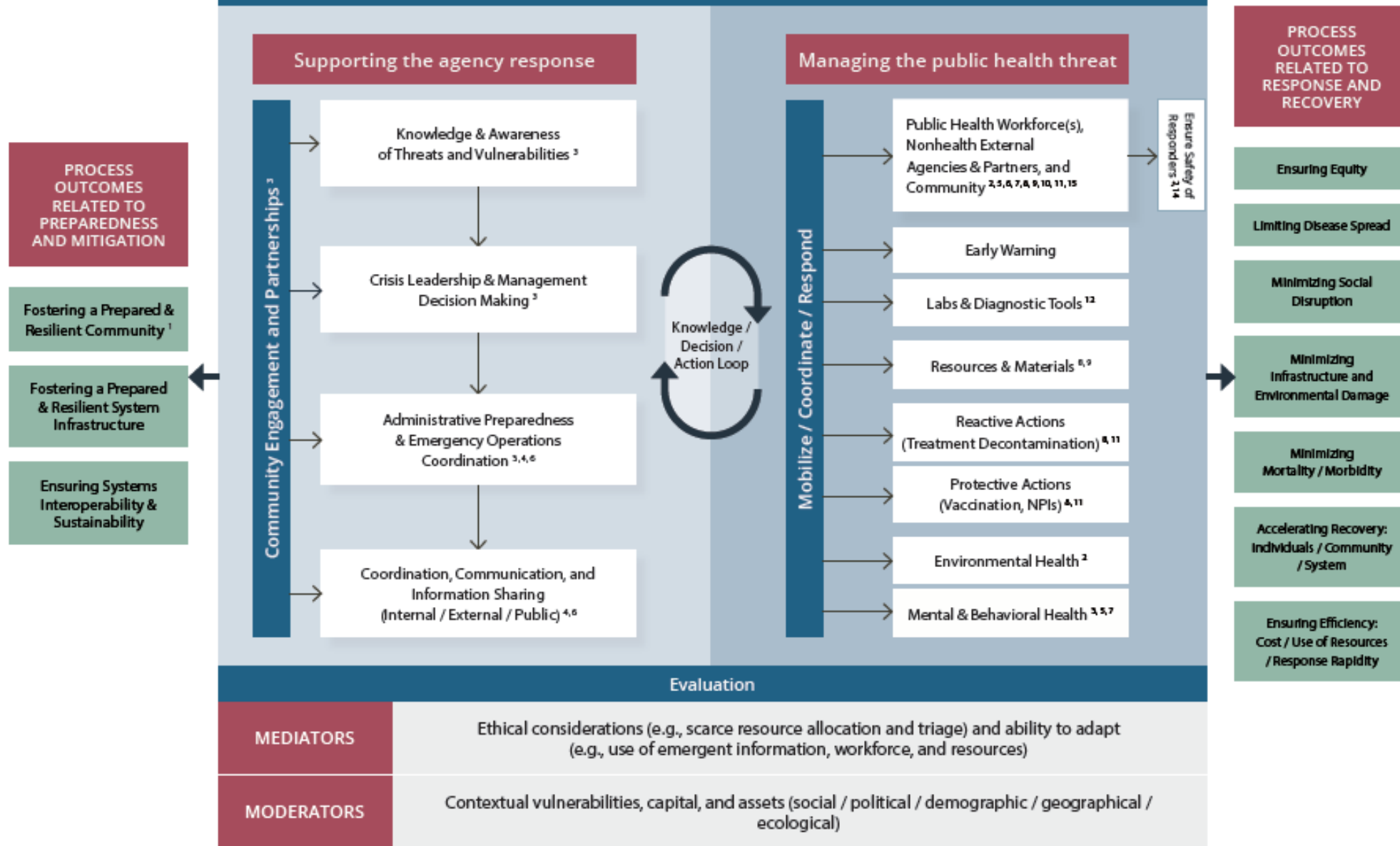


# Charge to the Committee

- Develop the methodology for conducting a comprehensive review of evidence for public health emergency preparedness and response (PHEPR) practices, including the criteria by which to assess the strength of evidence and a tiered grading scheme;
- Develop and apply criteria to determine which PHEPR capabilities should be prioritized for inclusion in the comprehensive review;
- Apply the committee's evidence review methodology to assess the effectiveness of the selected practices;
- Develop recommendations for practices that communities, state, territorial, local, and/or tribal agencies should or should not adopt, based on evidence; and
- **Provide recommendations for future research to address critical gaps, as well as processes needed to improve the overall quality of evidence within the field.**



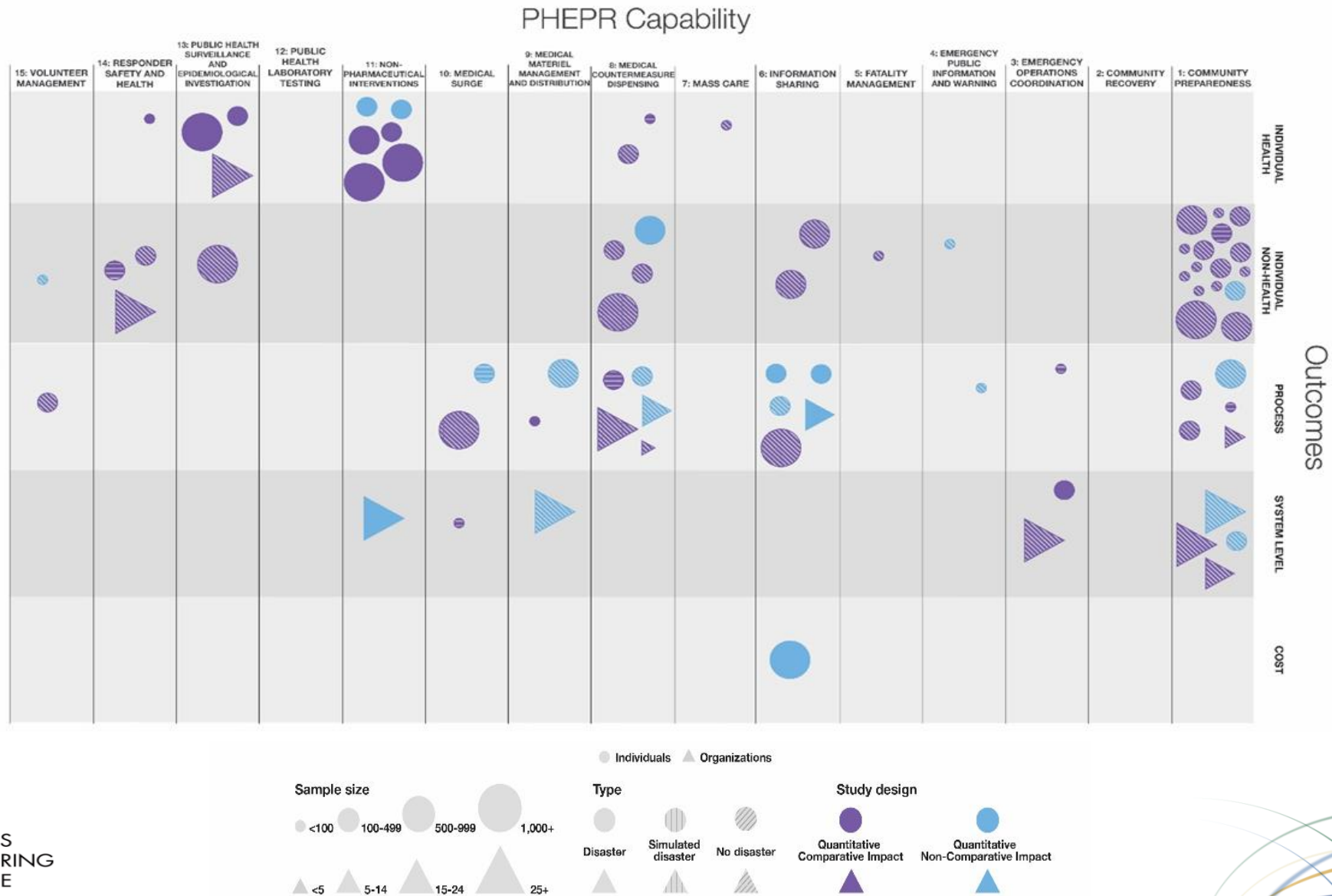
# An Optimal Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response System



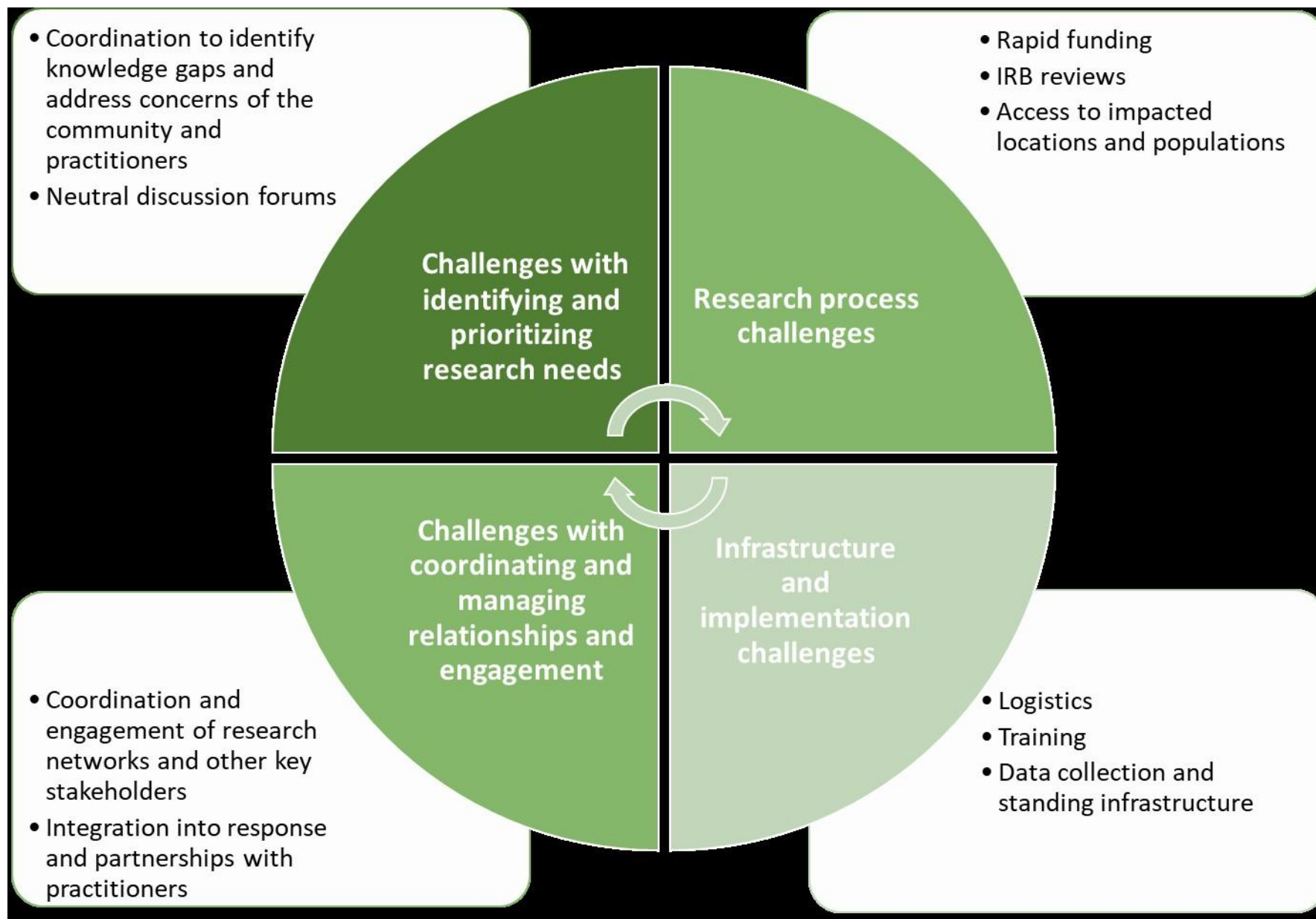
# A Broader View of the State of the Evidence for PHEPR



# Results from Commission Scoping Review and Evidence Maps: U.S. Impact Studies







## Committee Conclusion on the State of PHEPR Evidence

**Overall, the committee concluded that the science underlying the nation's response to public health emergencies is seriously deficient, hampering the nation's ability to respond to emergencies most effectively to save lives and preserve well-being.**





# Building Blocks for fostering an applied scientific discipline

- Sustained and comprehensive interest in the research findings
- Development of a coordinated research agenda
- Formation of a foundation of resources, assets, and networks:
  - Academic institutions
  - Scholars and researchers, including training pipelines
  - Networks connecting research to policy and practice



NSF currently supports seven Extreme Events Research (EER) networks. This EER ecosystem is designed to help coordinate disciplinary communities, while also encouraging cross-disciplinary information sharing and interdisciplinary integration.



PHEER? Public Health Extreme Events Reconnaissance

## RECOMMENDATION 3:

### **Develop a National PHEPR Science Framework**

To enhance and expand the evidence base for PHEPR practices and translation of the science to the practice community, CDC should work with other relevant funding agencies, SLTT public health agencies, academic researchers, professional associations, and other stakeholders to develop a National PHEPR Science Framework so as to ensure resourcing, coordination, monitoring, and execution of public- and private-sector PHEPR research.



## RECOMMENDATION 3: Continued...

- Build on and improve coordination, integration, and alignment among existing PHEPR research efforts
- Recognize and support PHEPR science as a unique academic discipline.
- Create a common, robust, forward-looking PHEPR research agenda.
- Support meaningful partnerships between PHEPR practitioners and researchers.
- Prioritize strategies and mechanisms for the translation, dissemination, and implementation of PHEPR research.



# ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

- Ensure Infrastructure and Funding to Support PHEPR Research
- Improve the Conduct and Reporting of PHEPR Research
- Support Workforce Capacity Development and Technical Assistance Programs for PHEPR Researchers and Practitioners
- Ensure the Translation, Dissemination, and Implementation of PHEPR Research to Practice



# Aligning Recommendations

NASEM PHEP Study (2020)	Lurie et al, NEJM (2013)	National Biodefense Science Board	AAAS “Science During Crisis” (2019)
Develop a National Disaster Science Framework		Convene Strategic Scientific Planning Councils	
Improve coordination among PHEPR research community	Identify and roster experts, plan for “ready reserve” of citizen scientists and clinicians		Address divergent scientific opinions, data, and results during crisis
Support partnerships of research, policy, and practice communities	Scientific research should be a part of core response plans and ICS	Include scientific response in National Response Framework	Emergency response and scientific communities should expand joint training
Ensure infrastructure and funding to support and sustain PHEPR research	Rapid funding, with appropriate administrative mechanisms	Funding to support rapid and robust scientific response	Fed, state, and local agencies should have available funds for science during crisis





# Thank You!

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