

THE DEVELOPEMENT OF THE TEAM OF THE CHILDREN'S HABILITATION IN THE PÄIJÄT-HÄME SOCIAL AND HEALTH GROUP'S DISTRICT (PHSOTEY) IN FINLAND

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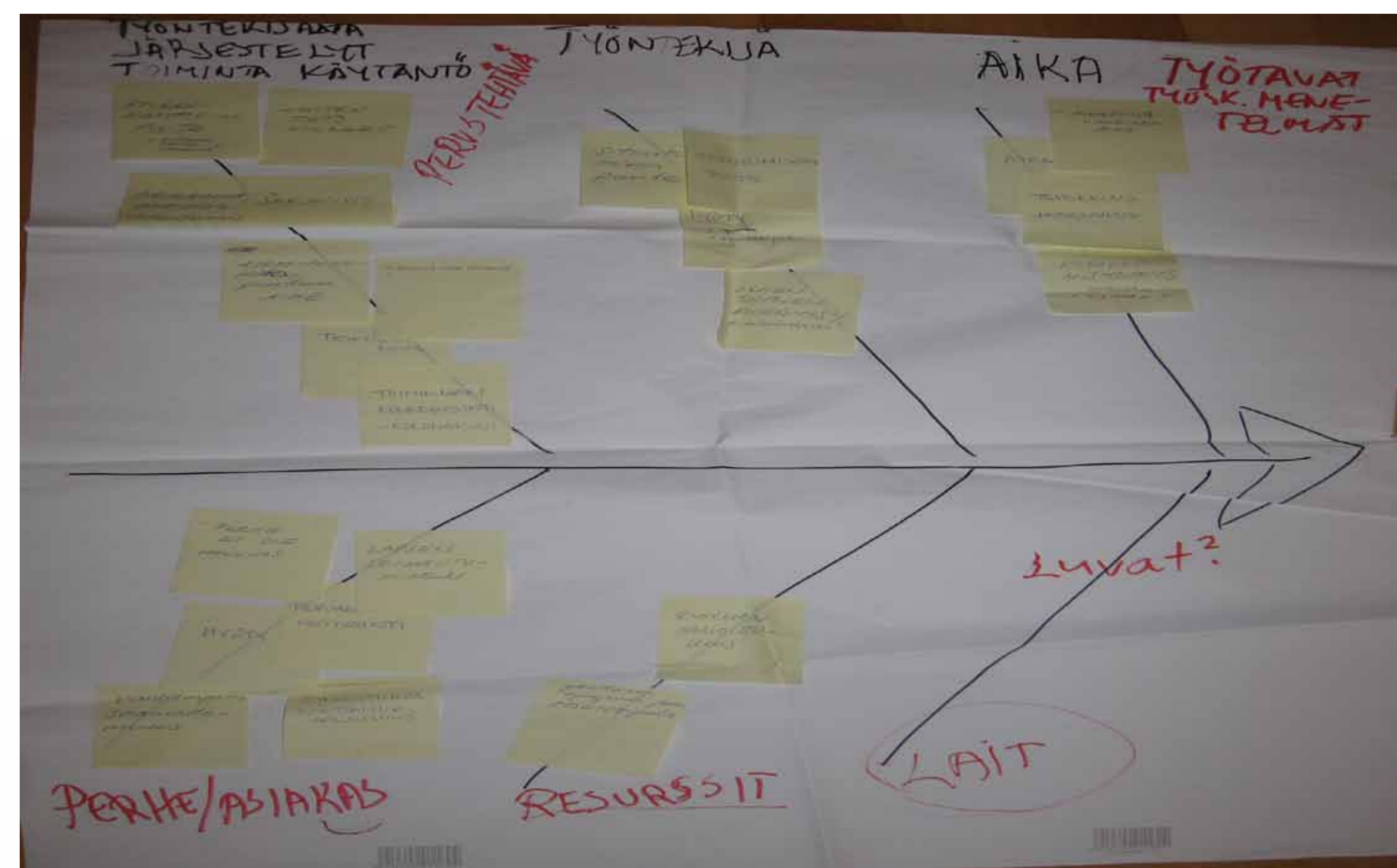
OBJECTIVE

Making the good rehabilitation of children under school ages comes true in the public health care by developing a cross functional working model, which engages both the children and family and the local professional habilitation team.

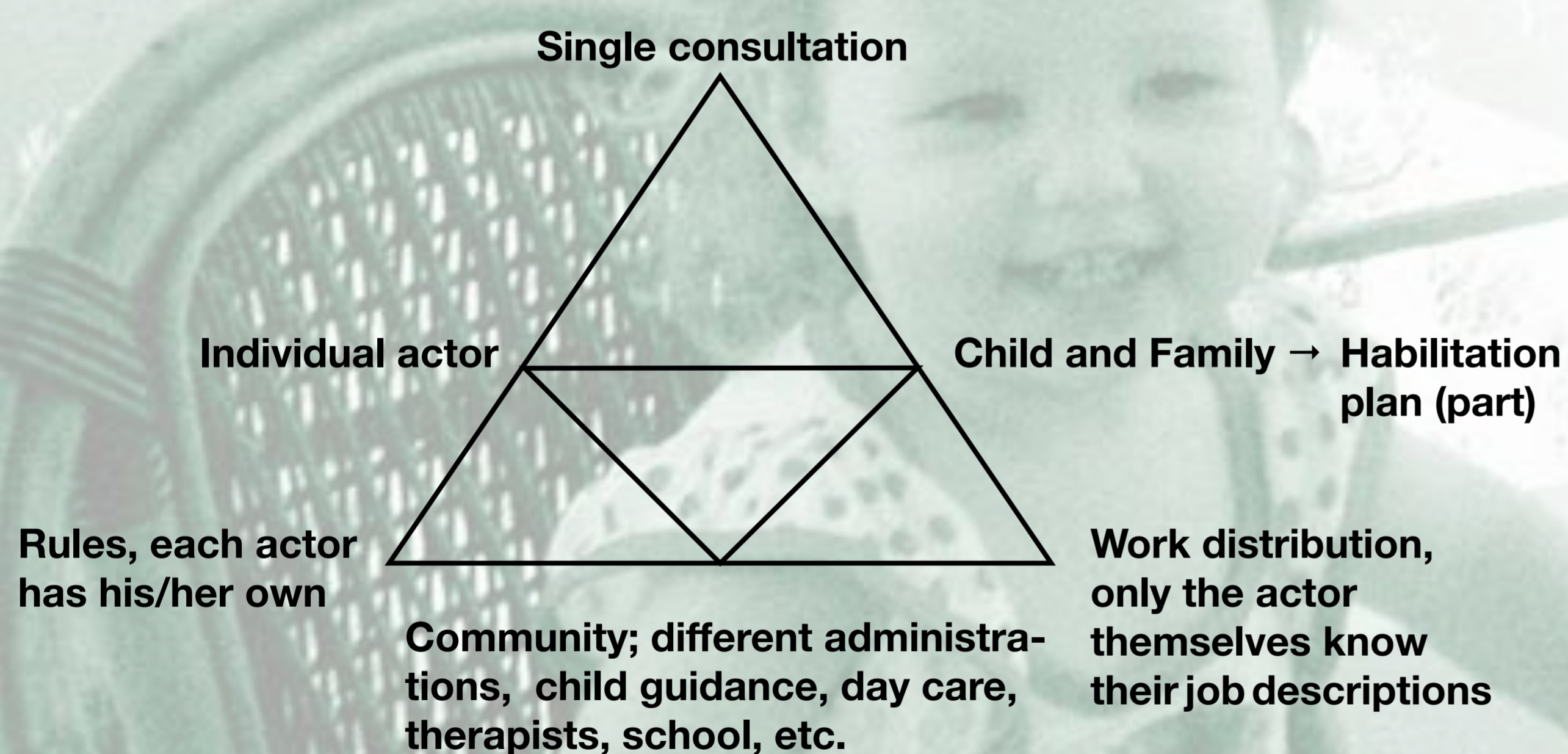
BACKGROUND

The working model was influenced by the national guidance and the regional instructions of the PHSOTEY's working group. By their influence every local authority in PHSOTEY area started to form an active local children's habilitation group. The study is part of the project of VLK society; Good practice in habilitation of children 2007 – 2011.

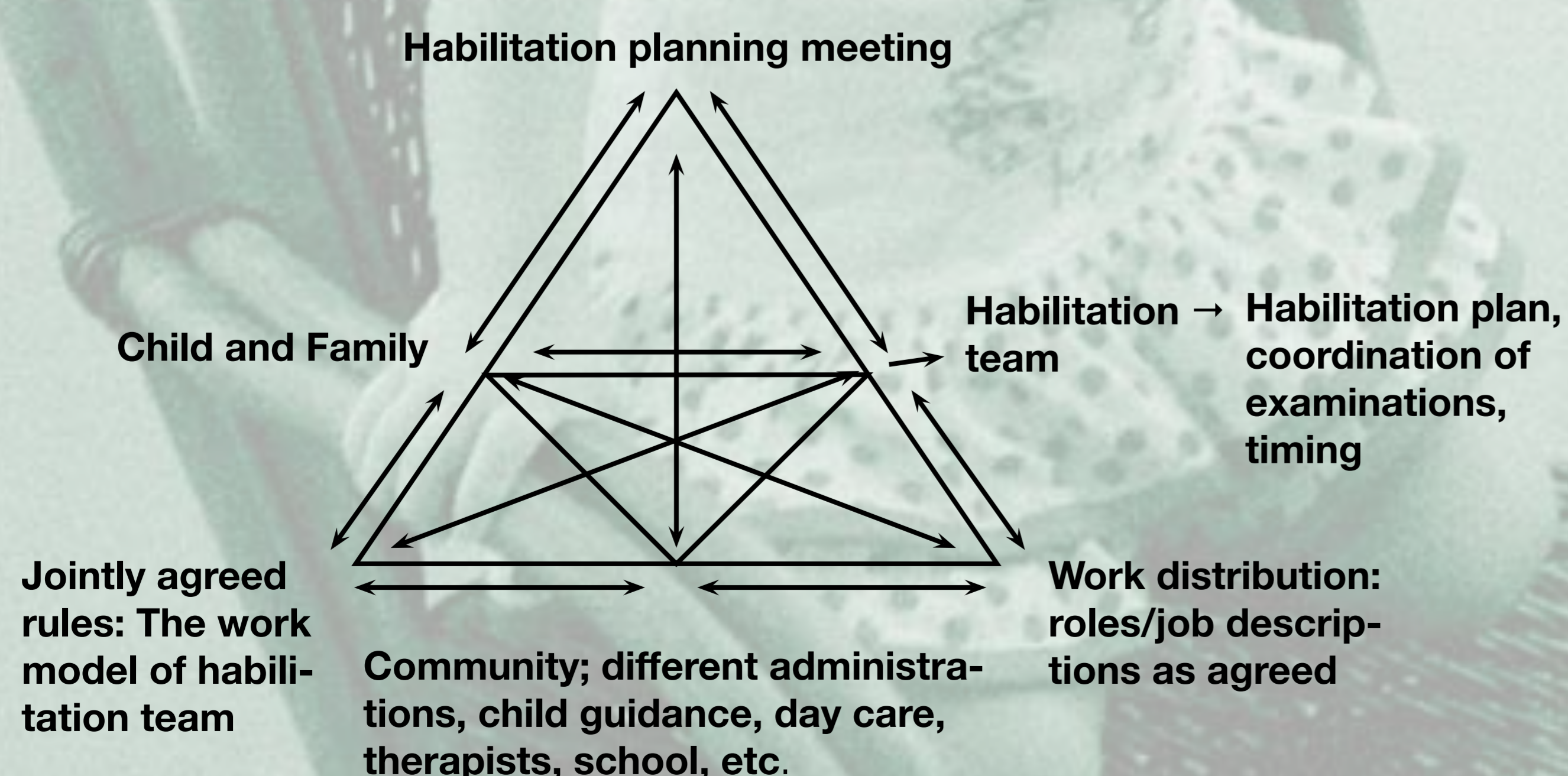
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BEFORE THE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT THE POLICY HAS BEEN AN INDIVIDUAL ACTOR:



HABILITATION TEAM - THE NEW WORK MODEL



METHODS

We made a questionnaire to 15 municipalities. Six of them had no habilitation groups and five had begun forming one. Then we invited Iitti, a municipality of 7000 inhabitants, as our associate and all its professionals who participate in child care, study, habilitation and special unit rearing. After a six months process we agreed upon a written agreement the policy and the rules of the active group of habilitation. The active group began putting the agreement into practice with families and children with widest problems.

RESULTS

We have reconciled the rules and policy of locally organized team of children's habilitation in written form. The team is a local, district based and cross functional and it includes various professionals and the families are included.

CONCLUSIONS

The habilitation plan of child and family is based on their needs and aims, and their understanding of good life. One can use the working model as a local, district based or national model how to begin or develop professional team of children's habilitation.

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