

MCP²

Multidisciplinary
Collaborative Primary
Maternity Care Project

Projet de soins
primaires obstétricaux
concertés

Mutual Respect is the
Key

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Purpose

- To understand and compare stakeholders' knowledge, attitudes and beliefs towards collaborative maternity care at the beginning and the end of the project.

Stakeholders

- Professional Association Representatives
 - AWHONN, CAM, CNA, CFPC, SOGC, SRPC
- Provincial Government Policy Makers
 - Nova Scotia, Ontario, Manitoba, British Columbia
- A perspective that is reflective of their membership/ministry in general

Qualitative Interviews

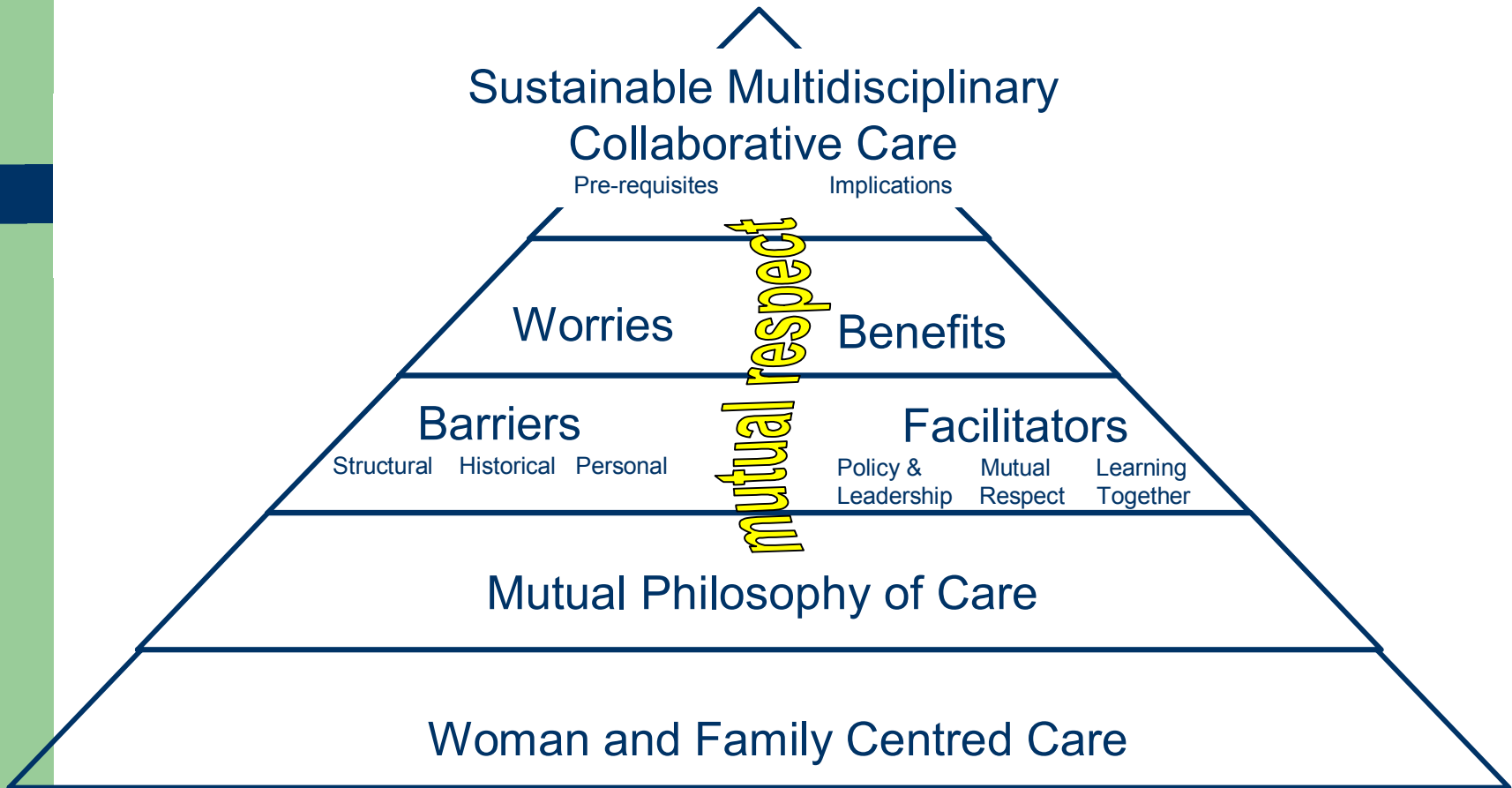
- Ethical Approval (Ottawa & Queens)
- Confidentiality:
 - Assistance from MCP² Partner Associations and MCP² project management team
 - Trained interviewer
- Telephone Interviews
- February – April 2005
- Audio-taped

Data Analysis

- Interviews with 28 individuals & 1 group
- Transcribed
- Comparison between disciplines not done.
- Content & thematic analysis
 - Coding scheme developed
 - Discussion and agreement of coding

Findings

- 121 constructs
- Categorized under 14 broad themes
- Many with sub-themes
- Report presents a synthesis of these broad themes & sub-themes



Woman & Family Centred Care

“Other facilitators are if we keep women and newborns at the centre of the unit of care then we favour this as our common ground and we’re all interested in healthy women giving birth to healthy babies and how can we, how can we strengthen women to do that well and how can we make sure that we have support roles and that the necessary support are there to provide safe and effective care.”

Mutual Philosophy of Care

“...it doesn't matter whether it's a midwife, family physician, extended practitioner, team mixing up all of the above, what matters is the style of care...”

Barriers

- Structural
- Historical
- Personal

Facilitators

- Policy & Leadership
- Mutual Respect
- Learning Together

Worries

- Sharing care of women
 - Solo practitioners
 - Disciplines
- Loss of professional autonomy
- Continuity of caregiver

Benefits

- To women & families
- Human resources
 - Maintain & retain
 - Lifestyle

Components of Sustainable Multidisciplinary Collaborative Care

- Pre-requisites
- Implications

Mutual Respect

...when you have a collaborative model you've got a mutual respect amongst care providers on a certain professional level.

Mutual Respect

I think some basics have to be in place before new models will really work...a certain amount of respect needs to be developed between ...nurses and midwives, midwives and family docs and obs and what not. So, I think possibly it could, but we have to get some things that come first.

Take-Home Messages

- Cautious optimism
- Many barriers, many solutions
- Important area to focus on: Improving respect among disciplines



Thank you to all of the
participants!