



California Community Colleges

Agenda Item 1.4

Board of Governors Instructional Material Affordability Resolution

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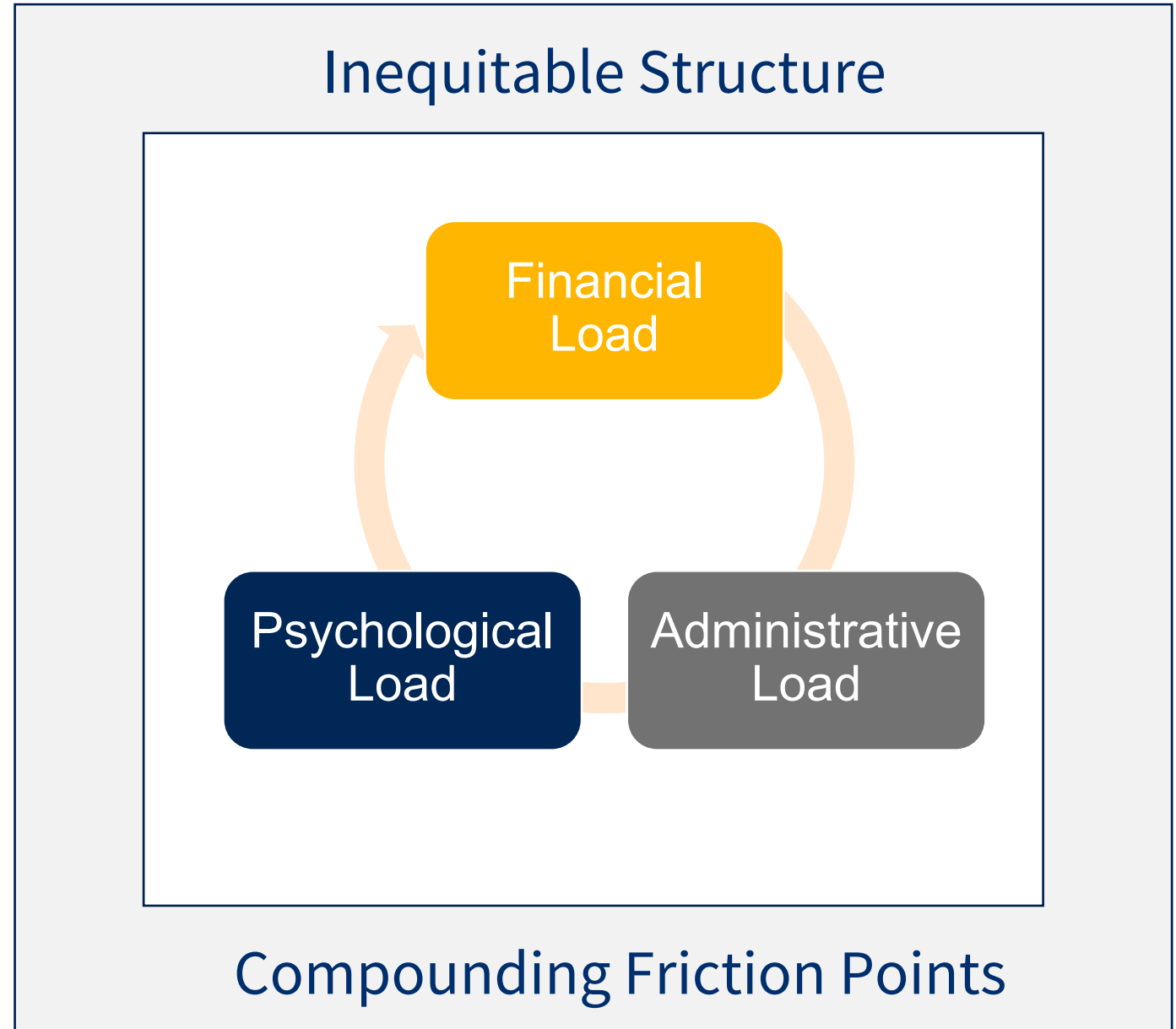
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The Why

“I always have an anxiety attack the first week of class because I know the process I have to go through to buy my books. I borrow money, work late to pick up extra hours to afford my books, try to buy used throughout the internet (most don't carry the version required by class), or obtain a short term high interest loan to afford the books.”



Instructional Material Affordability



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ZTC Degree Grant Program Implementation
Technical Assistance to Ensure Fidelity and Scale



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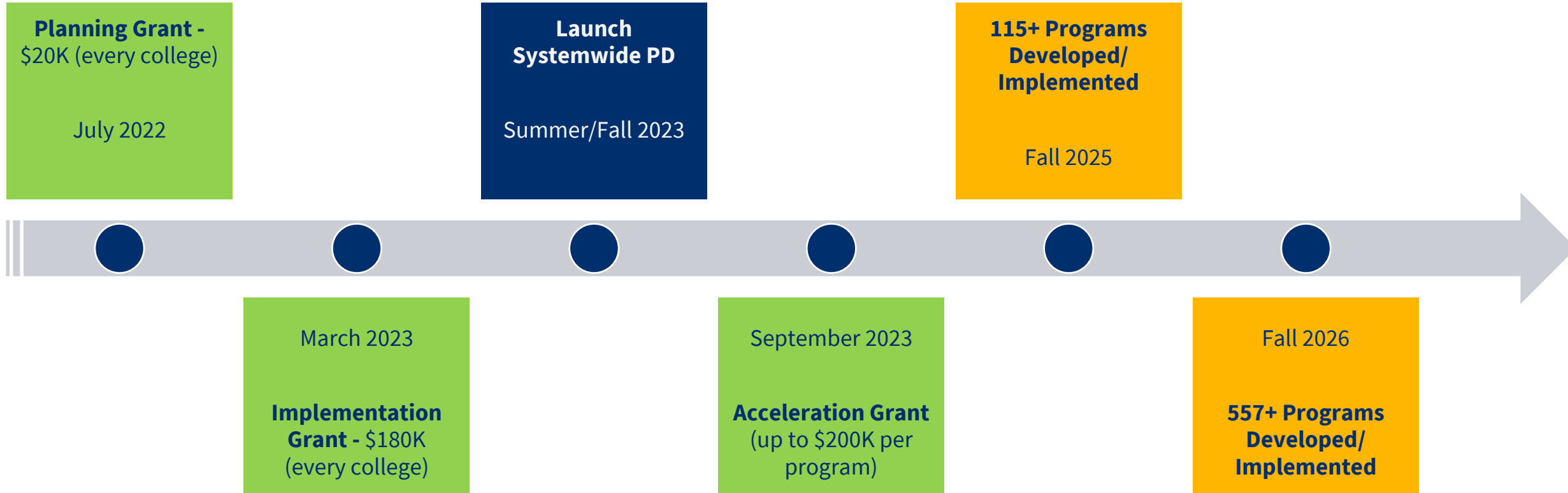
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Readiness Assessment
Research and Evaluation



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Burden-Free Instructional Materials Taskforce Recommendations
BOG Resolution

ZTC Degree Grant Program – Key Dates



ZTC Degree Grant Program -- Acceleration Grant



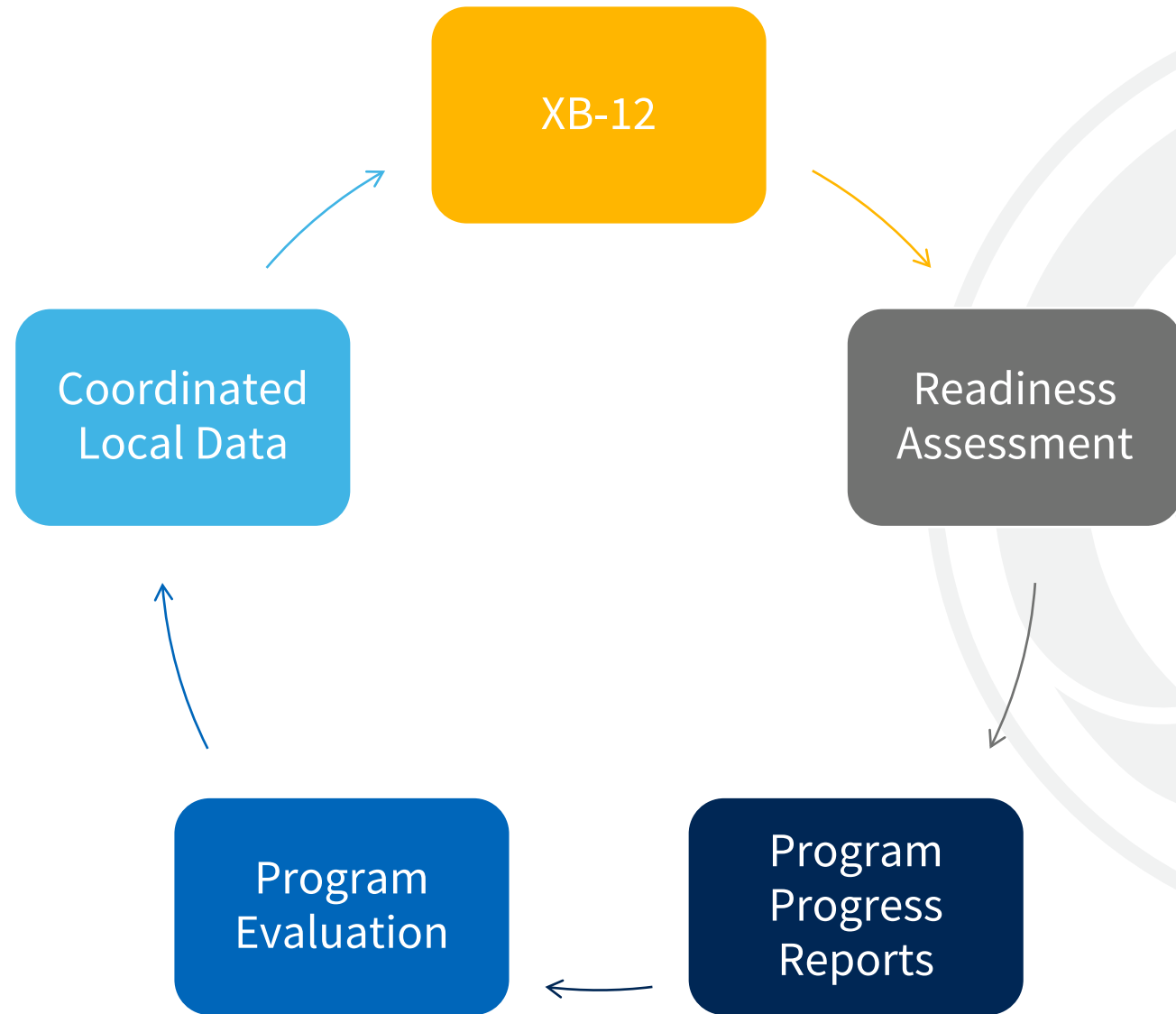
Readiness Prompts

- Leadership
- Faculty Readiness
- Professional Development
- Student Services
- Institutional Research

ZTC Degree Grant Program – Professional Development Plan



Evaluation and Continuous Improvement



Burden-Free Instructional Materials Task Force

“It’s not just about how much a textbook costs or the expensive supplies needed for a healthcare program; it’s about teaching and learning and the accessibility of every program offered, so that students have what they need to learn and be successful before the class starts.”

-Taskforce member



Task Force Charge

1. Assess the system's existing infrastructure in place that guides instructional material choice
2. Provide recommendations and possible regulatory actions for system structural changes that will facilitate the creation of sustainable solutions that reduce instructional materials costs for students in the long term

Task Force – Key Recommendations

System commitment &
local goals

Regulation review to
empower student choice,
alleviate student burdens,
and ensure funding
flexibility

Data infrastructure to
support continuous
improvement

Scale OER and openly
licensed materials by
strengthening
systemwide coordination
and PD, enhanced by
technology

Expand system-level
procurement

Joint advocacy for
additional ongoing
investment

BOG Resolution on Instructional Material Affordability



Prioritize reduction and elimination of instructional material costs & alleviate student burdens

Study implementation of task force recommendations

Provide recommendations to ensure sustainable no-cost textbook solutions for GE courses



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Thank you!

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