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GROWING IMPACT: challenges in understanding impact in Indigenous Affairs

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Challenges



Gaps

Evidence base about impact

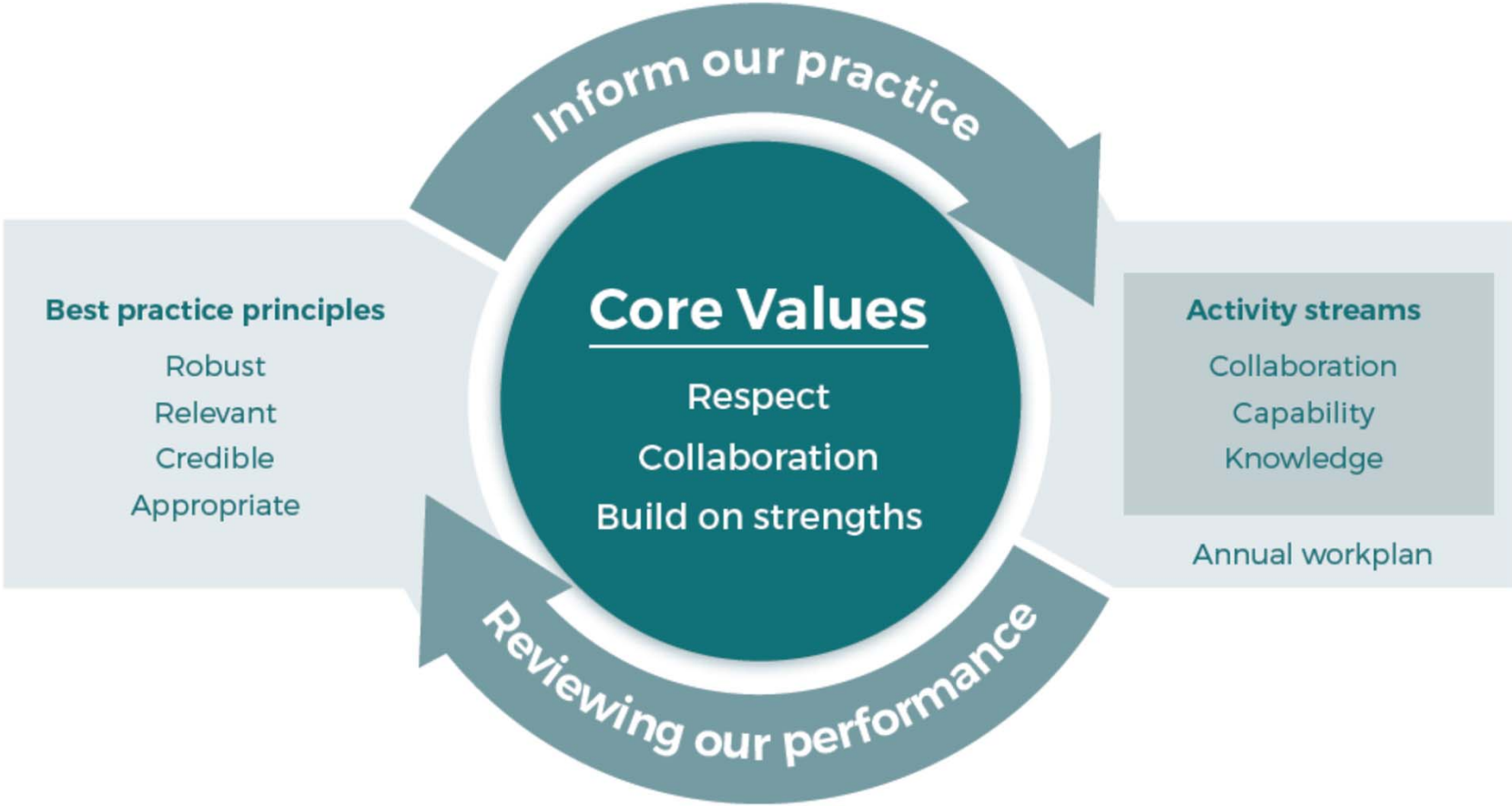
Quality

Integration of evaluation design into policy and program development

Values

Working with Indigenous Australians

Core Values & Best Practice Principles



Core values



Strengths

Build on strengths and foster capabilities

Collaboration

Ensure diverse voices are heard and respected

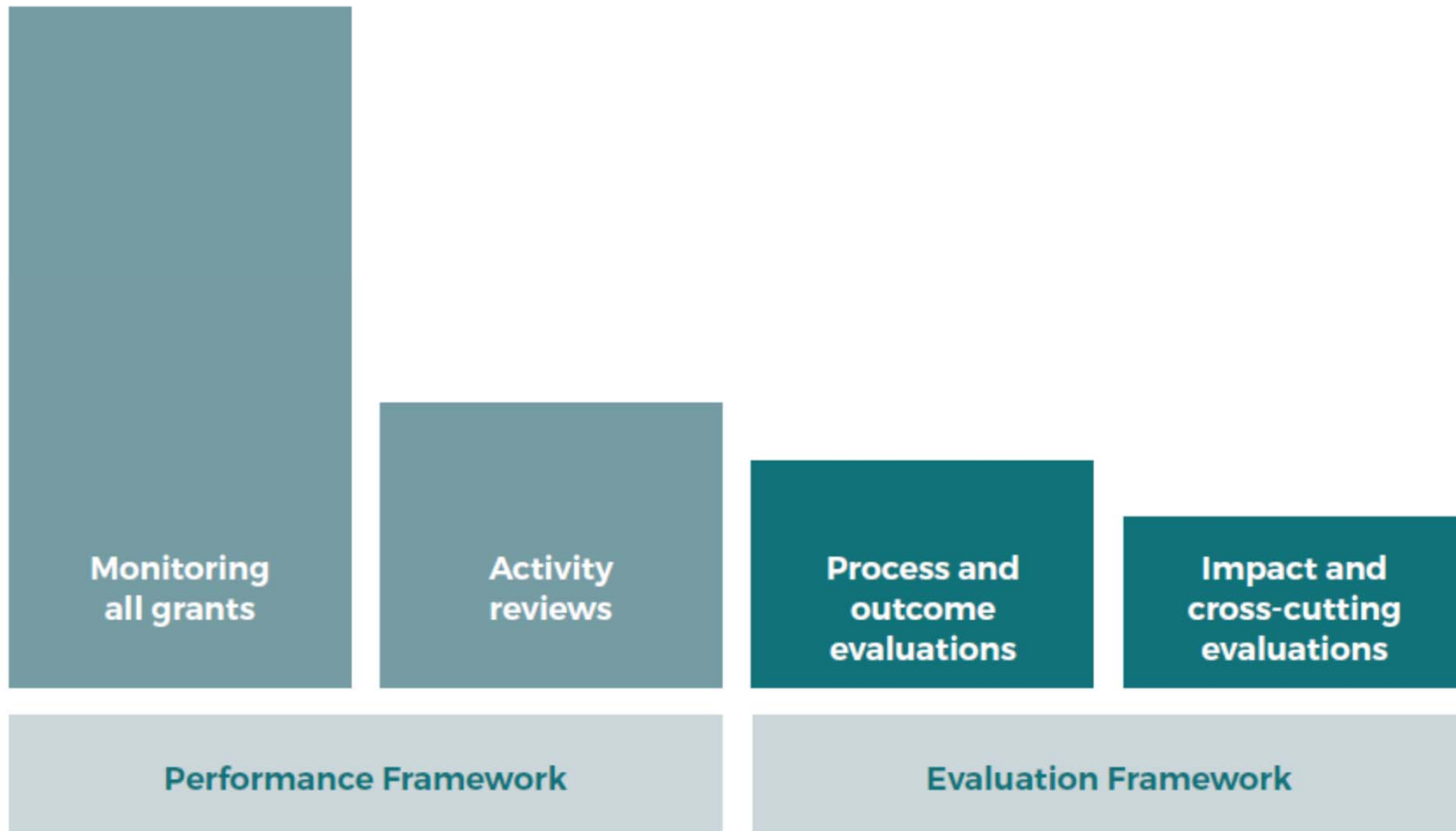
Respect

Demonstrate cultural respect

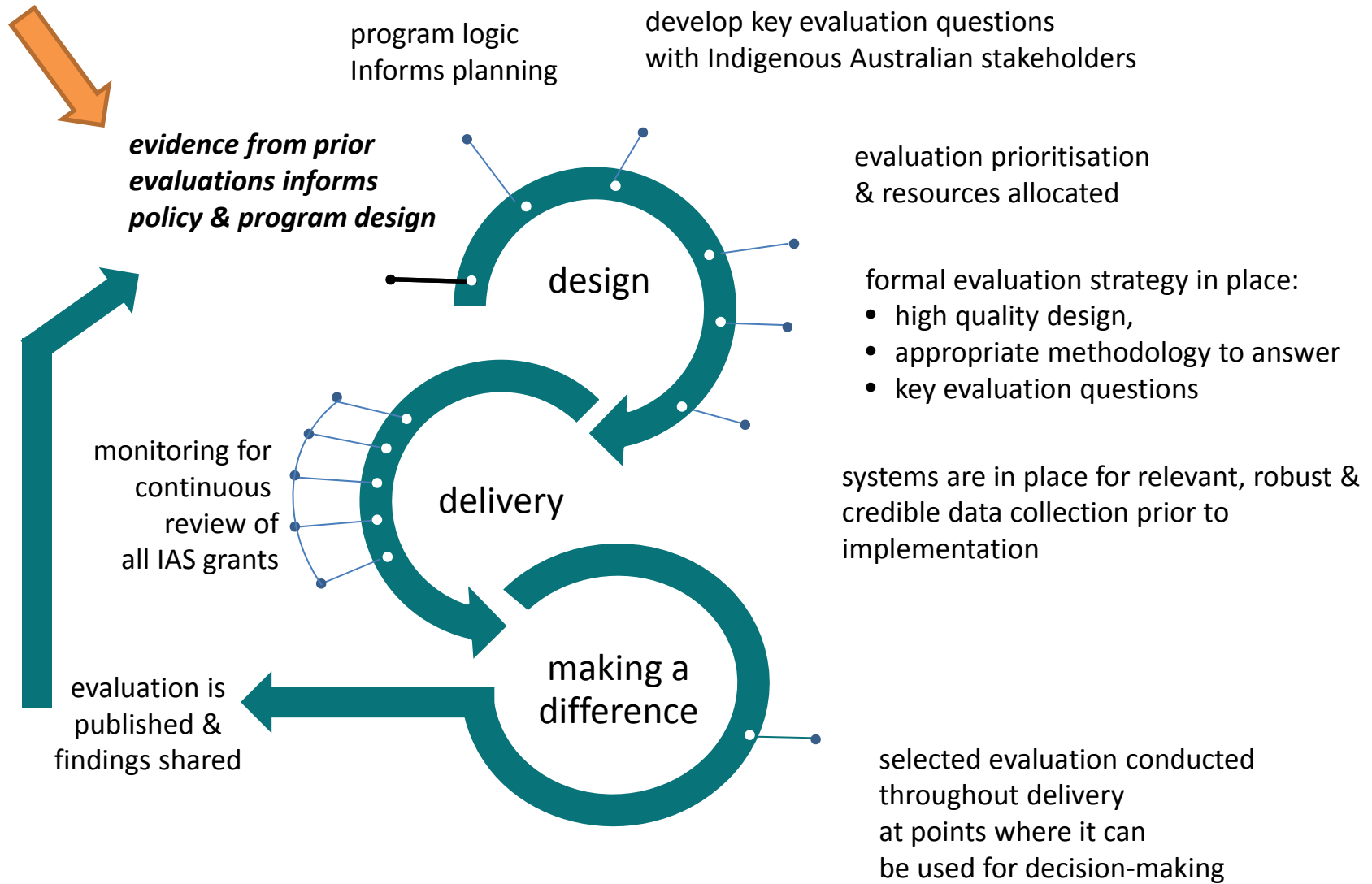
Best Practice Principles

Criteria	Principles
Relevant	Integrated Respectful
Robust	Evidence-based Impact-focused
Credible	Transparent Independent Ethical
Appropriate	Timely Fit-for-purpose

Monitoring & Evaluation in the Indigenous Affairs Group



Use of evaluation



Streams

Collaboration

Capability

Knowledge

Stream	Possible activities
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Collaboration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Governance and advisory arrangements• Partnership in co-design or place-based evaluations• Communities of practice• Space to discuss of emerging issues
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Stream	Possible activities
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Capability

- Setting an agenda to build capability
 - Building a culture of integrated evaluative thinking and continuous learning
 - Coaching for quality improvement

 - Innovative approaches to involve more Indigenous Australians
 - Integrating evaluation planning into policy design
 - Online and internal support materials
 - Systems for using and mining information
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Stream	Possible activities
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Knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Annual evaluation work plans• Quality review• Management responses• Publication and communication of evaluations• Publishing reviews of high priority evaluations online• Knowledge translation strategies (for context) <p>Integrating community values, knowledge and perspectives into evaluation design to ensure findings are useful, credible and helpful</p>
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Integrating use of evaluation

