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# Vive Les Fédérations

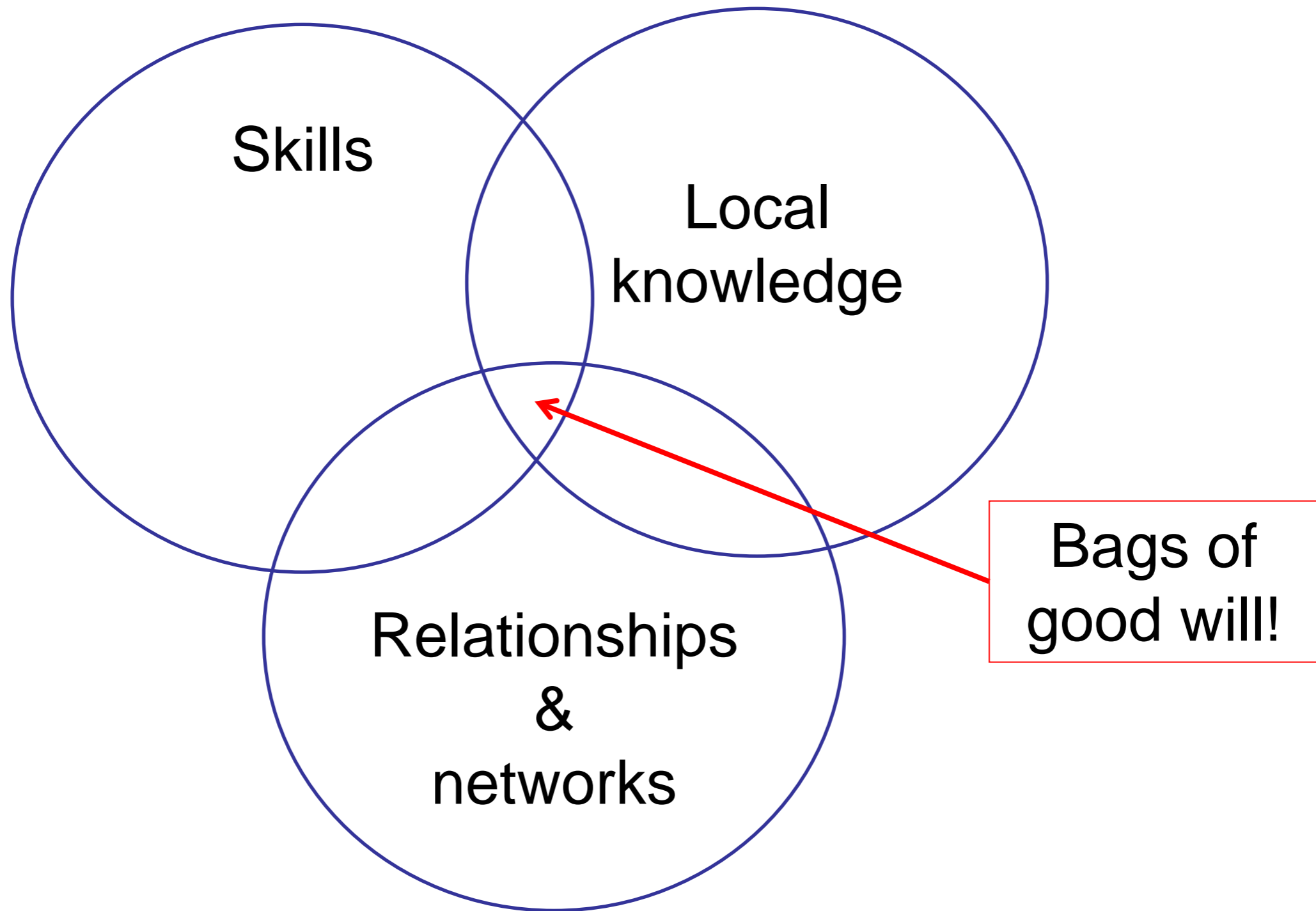
Taunton Area Federation of GP Practices  
Away Day – 26 January 2012

Andy Hill, Head of Federation Development

# What's up

- Political change (The Bill, view of national bodies)
- The 'Oath', time, resources, 'reinventing wheels'
- Origins of Federations versus recent themes
- A new landscape ? (politics, resources, people, social norms, media, sense of purpose, money)

# NHS: The glue that binds it all together



# GP or PM skills required for Clinical Commissioning

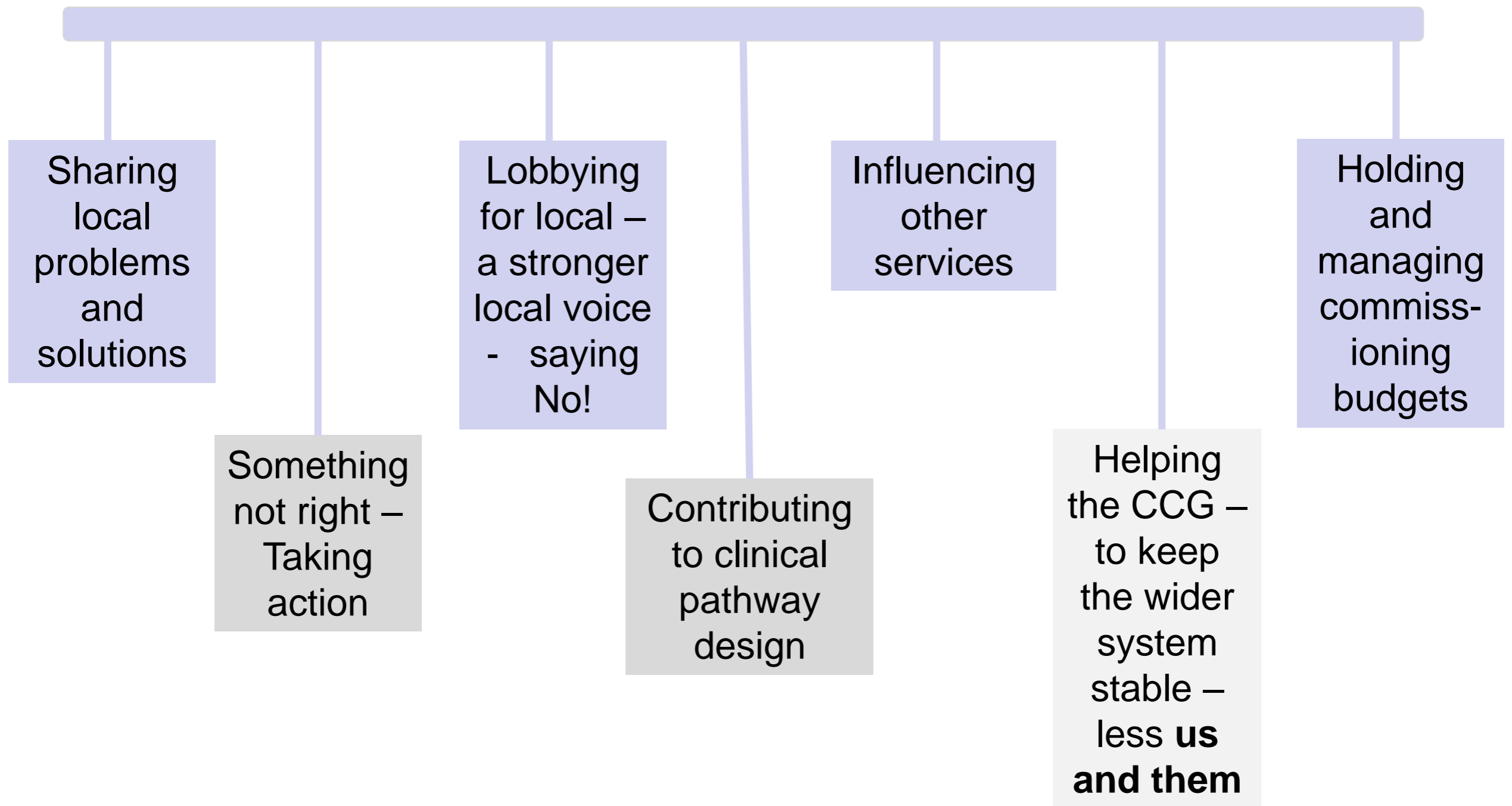
- Communication (relating, empathy, guiding, etc etc etc)
- Clinical knowledge and skills
- Decision-making and being accountable for those decisions
- Advocating for patients
- Relationships with other health professionals
- Understanding and making decisions based on cost effective use of resources e.g. prescribing, onward referrals
- Advocating for locality
- Being part of a system that apportions (rations) resources
- Influencing clinical pathways
- Influencing other services
- Working with social norms and political expectations
- Running a business

**A new  
species???**

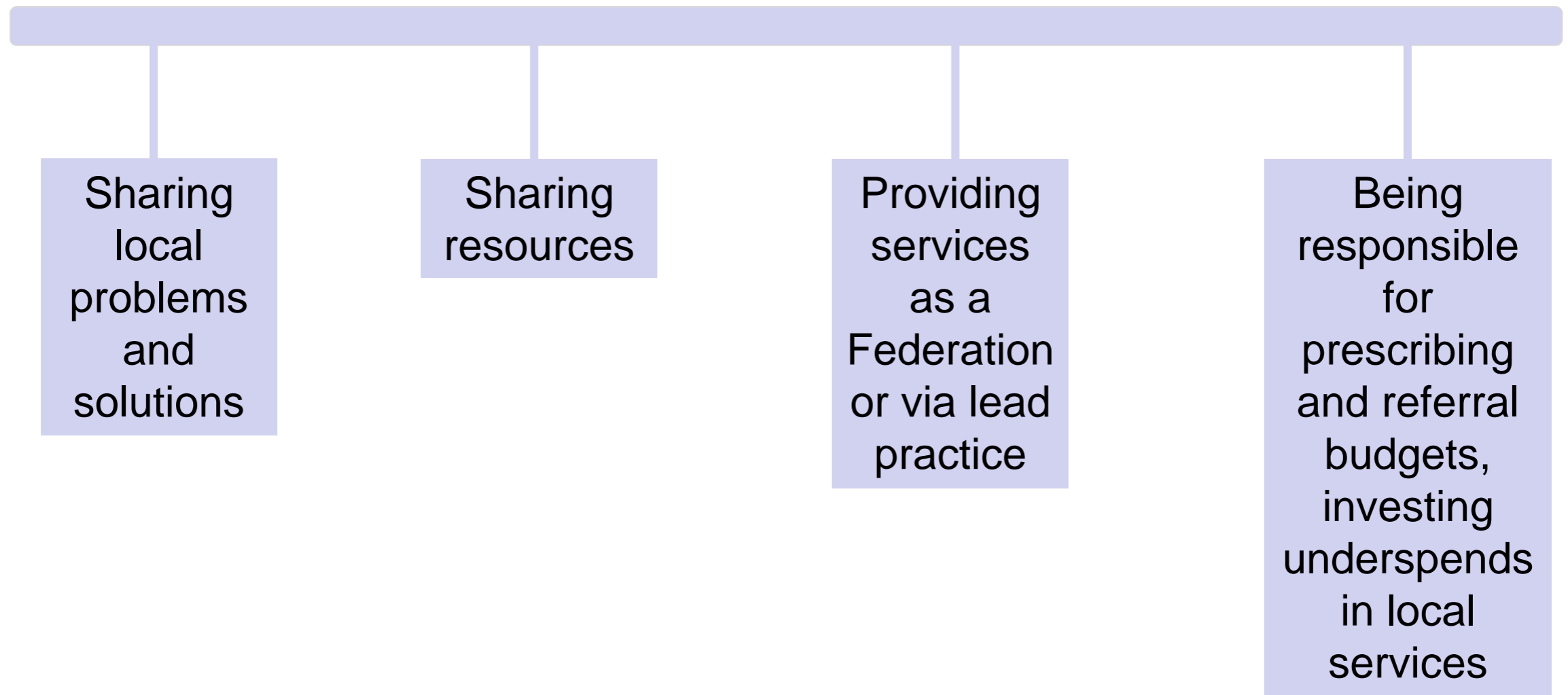
# Federation (define)

- Any association or union for common action
- A group of GP practices working collaboratively together for the betterment of local patients, for the practices themselves and the local NHS

# A Spectrum of Influence 1




# A Spectrum of Influence 2



# Getting the balance right

- Uniformity versus local flexibility
- View of Practices and Federations
- View of patients and other key partners
- Rules for CCGs
- Resources available
- Phasing / incremental change

# Federations – here to stay

- They make sense
  - Gains for members
  - Gains for localities
  - We'll be pragmatic
  - Lots of business as usual
  - Great people are working on this - faith
- YOU INCLUDED
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