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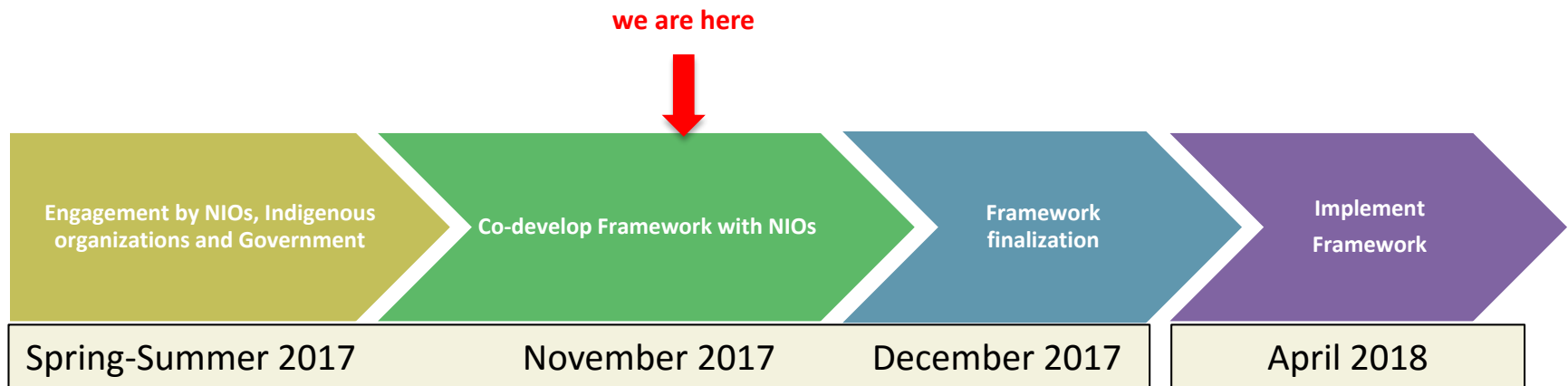
Themes of Engagement

- Engagement has taken place across the country and a number of key themes have emerged:

Theme	Examples
Build an Indigenous ELCC system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create networks to connect practitioners across programs and jurisdictions Reduce regulatory and jurisdictional barriers, foster program integration Build on best practices and traditional knowledge
Create broad flexibility in funding and programming	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing grants & contributions programs entrench barriers to self-determination Establish innovative, horizontal funding/delivery mechanisms across programs Support long-term, flexible funding arrangements Reduce administrative burden
Support holistic outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus: child-centered and family-centered care Support whole-of-family approaches across life continuum, reflecting social determinants of health
Build capacity towards self-determination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support and enable community capacity to strategize, prioritize, design, deliver and manage programs Work together on a nation-to-nation, Inuit-Crown, and government-to-government basis
Prioritize culture and language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not underestimate the importance of distinctions-based approaches and culture-based learning
Improve quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing programs are well-liked but require expansion and improvement to strengthen delivery Improve early childhood educators' wages, recruitment, retention, training Fund population increases, cost increases, infrastructure maintenance



Timelines for IELCC Framework



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