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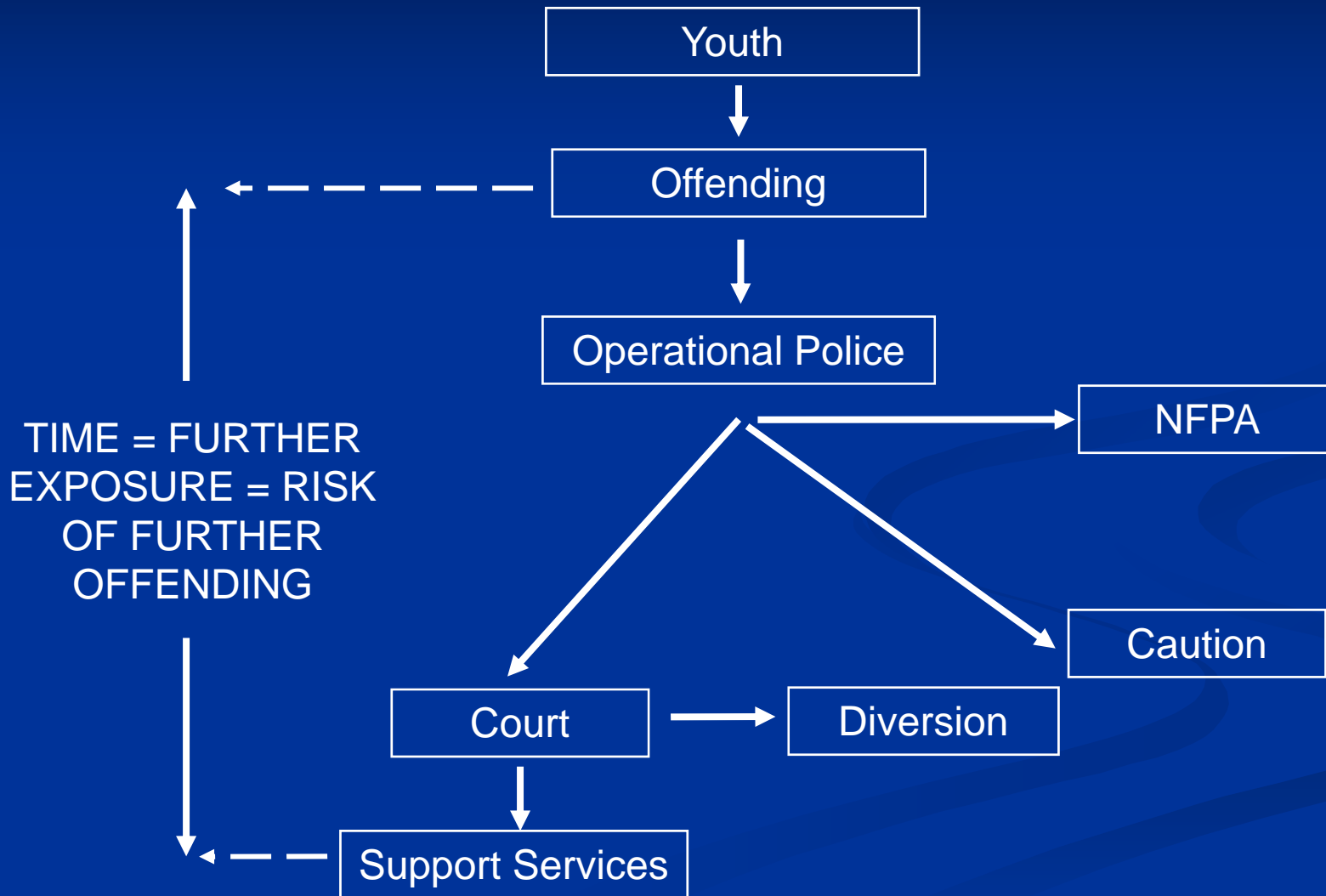
Youth Assist Program

Police & Community Youth Assist Program

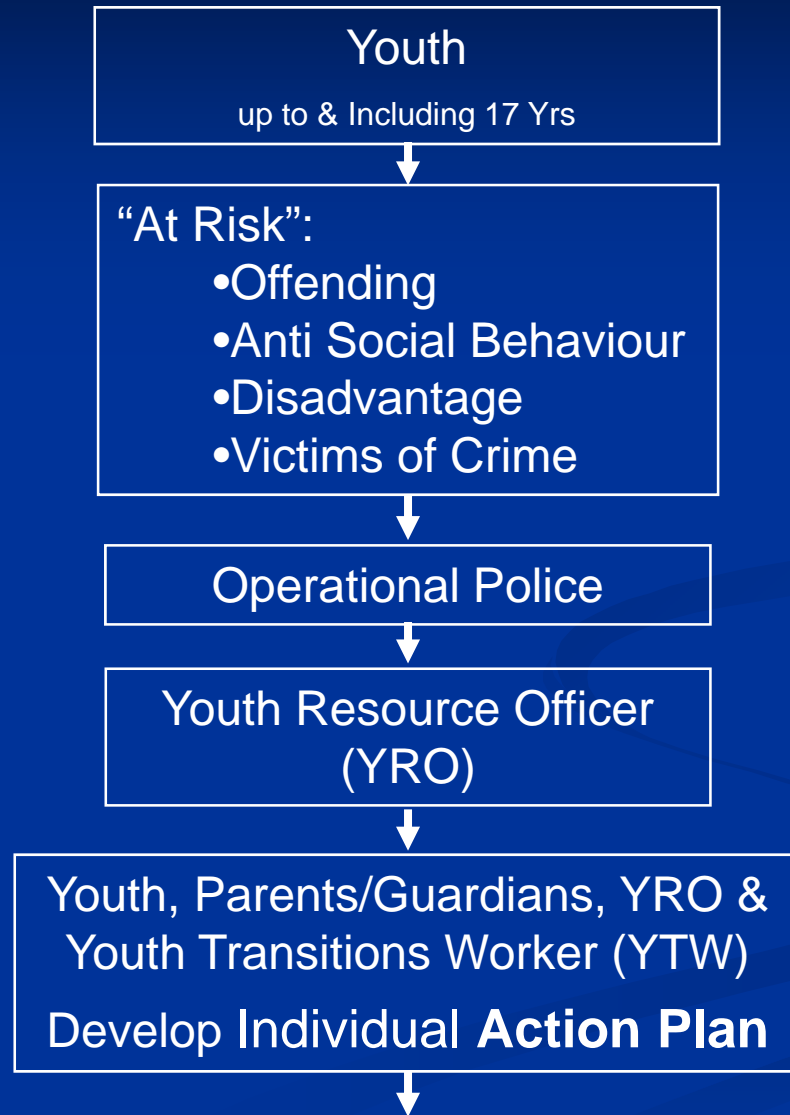
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July 2007 Pilot

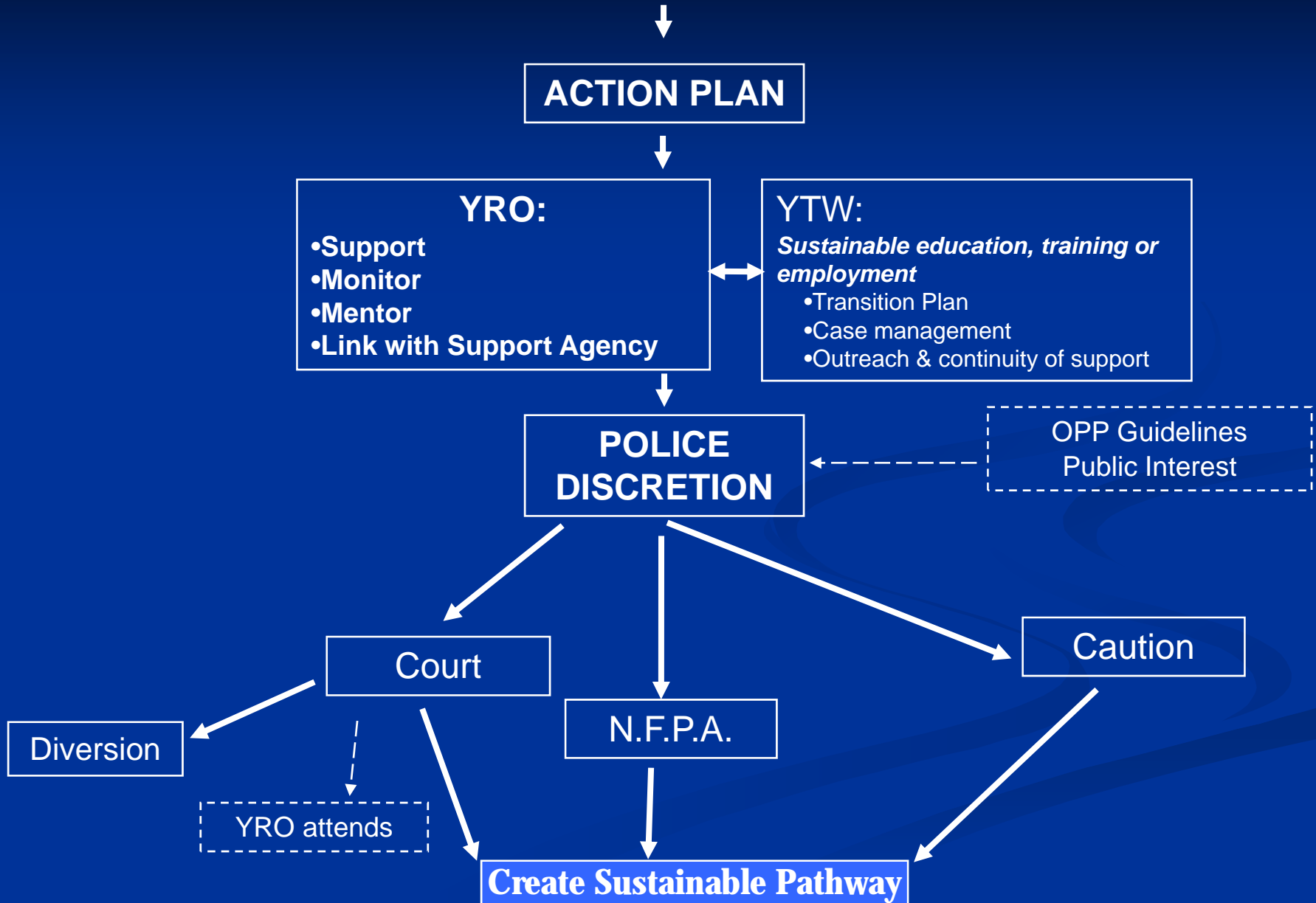
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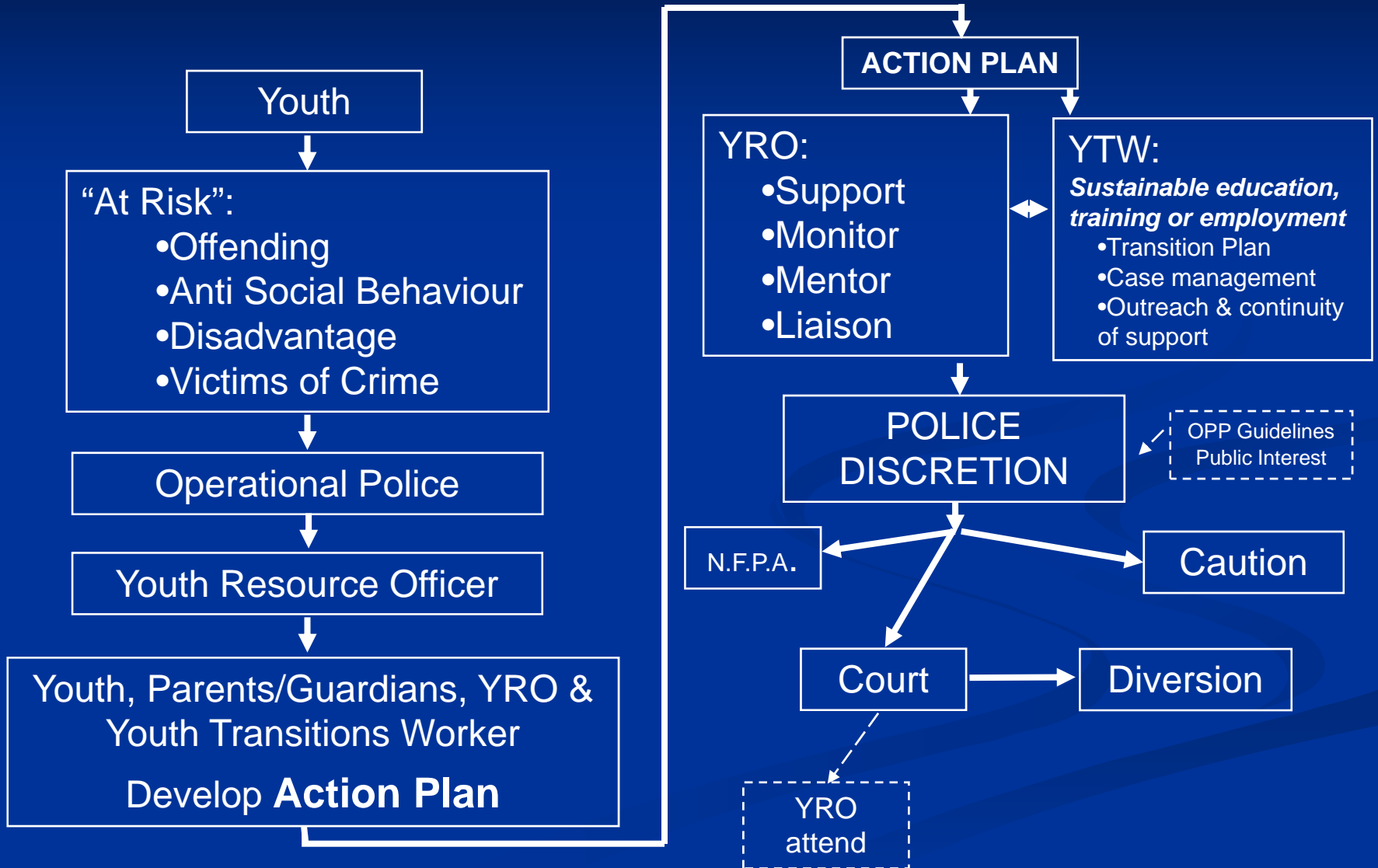
Youth Assist Process



Youth Assist Process *Continued*



Youth Assist Process - *Summary*





Partnering Agencies

Family Conflict/Relationship Problems:

- Anglicare FIYS Family Integrated Youth Service
- PYFS Peninsula Youth & Family Services

Substance Abuse:

- YSAS (Youth Substance Abuse Centre)
- PENDAP (Pen Drug & Alcohol program)

Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault:

- Frankston WAYSS Ltd
- SECCASA South Eastern Centre Against Sexual Assault
- SOCIT (Sex Offence Crime I/V Team.)

Health Issues:

- Frankston Integrated Health Centre
- Youth Resource Centre

Anti-Social Behaviour & Isolation:

- Youth Resource Centre
- Frankston Ambassadors (Frankston Council)

Mental Health:

- Frankston CAMHS (Child & Adolescent Mental Health Service)
- Headspace Peninsula

Accommodation:

- Youth Resource Centre
- Crisis Centre
- WAYSS Ltd.

Employment, Education & Training:

- Department of Education
- Taskforce Community Agency
- LLEN Local Learning & Employment Network
- PYFS Peninsula Youth & Family Services
- Chisholm Institute
- Mission Australia.
- Secondary College Well-Being Team

Child Protection:

- Department of Human Service

Cultural Barriers:

- Vic Pol Aboriginal Liaison Officer
- Community Elders
- Vic Pol Multi Cultural Division

Legal Advice:

- Peninsula Community Legal Service

Policy “Fit”

“The Way Ahead 2008 – 2013”

Attorney Generals Justice Statement

Vulnerable Youth Framework 2008

Child & Youth Policy:

- ☑ Early preventative intervention
- ☑ Addresses causes not the symptoms of problem behaviour
- ☑ Integrated and holistic approach embracing the family, peer, community, education and employment networks that is considerate of cultural influences
- ☑ Building capacity at the local level to identify, intervene and respond to the factors that influence youth over representation in crime & road statistics
- ☑ Reduces the likelihood of further harm occurring by responding at the earliest opportunity
- ☑ Diversion from the negative effects of exposure to the criminal justice system
- ☑ Focuses on community partnerships, referral and the use of discretionary powers in utilising pre-court and non court options

Youth Resource Officer Role:

- ☑ Provide a policing youth framework that increases the capacity of police to deal with police/youth issues, whilst addressing the needs of effective operational policing partnership with the local community & government agencies.
- ☑ To engage all sectors of the community which develops the capacity of local communities to deal with youth issues.
- ☑ Provide a service which best suits the needs of the organisation, local police and young people.
- ☑ Work with local partners in identifying local youth issues and developing strategies with appropriate performance measures for success.
- ☑ Work with local communities and partners to develop systems, support and services to provide young people with positive pathways for developing to their full potential.
- ☑ Support and increase the capacity of local operational police to identify and address youth issues.
- ☑ Provide an equitable policing service to both rural and metropolitan Victoria.