

Deputy Minister's Council: PD&G Priorities Report

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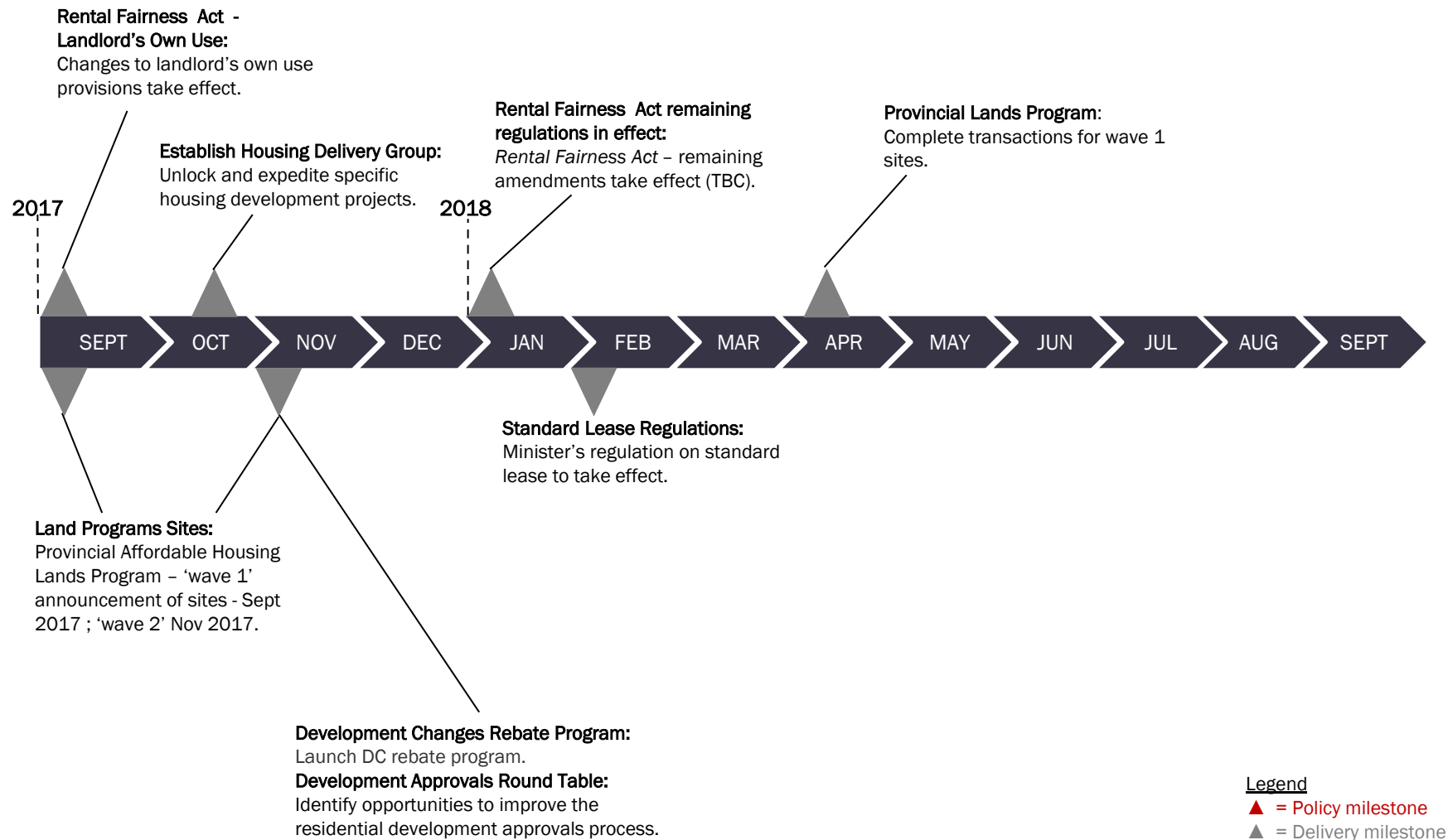
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1. Helping You and Your Family

Priority: Fair Housing Plan

Key Activity: 4.51 | Housing Affordability

Pillar: Protecting Consumers

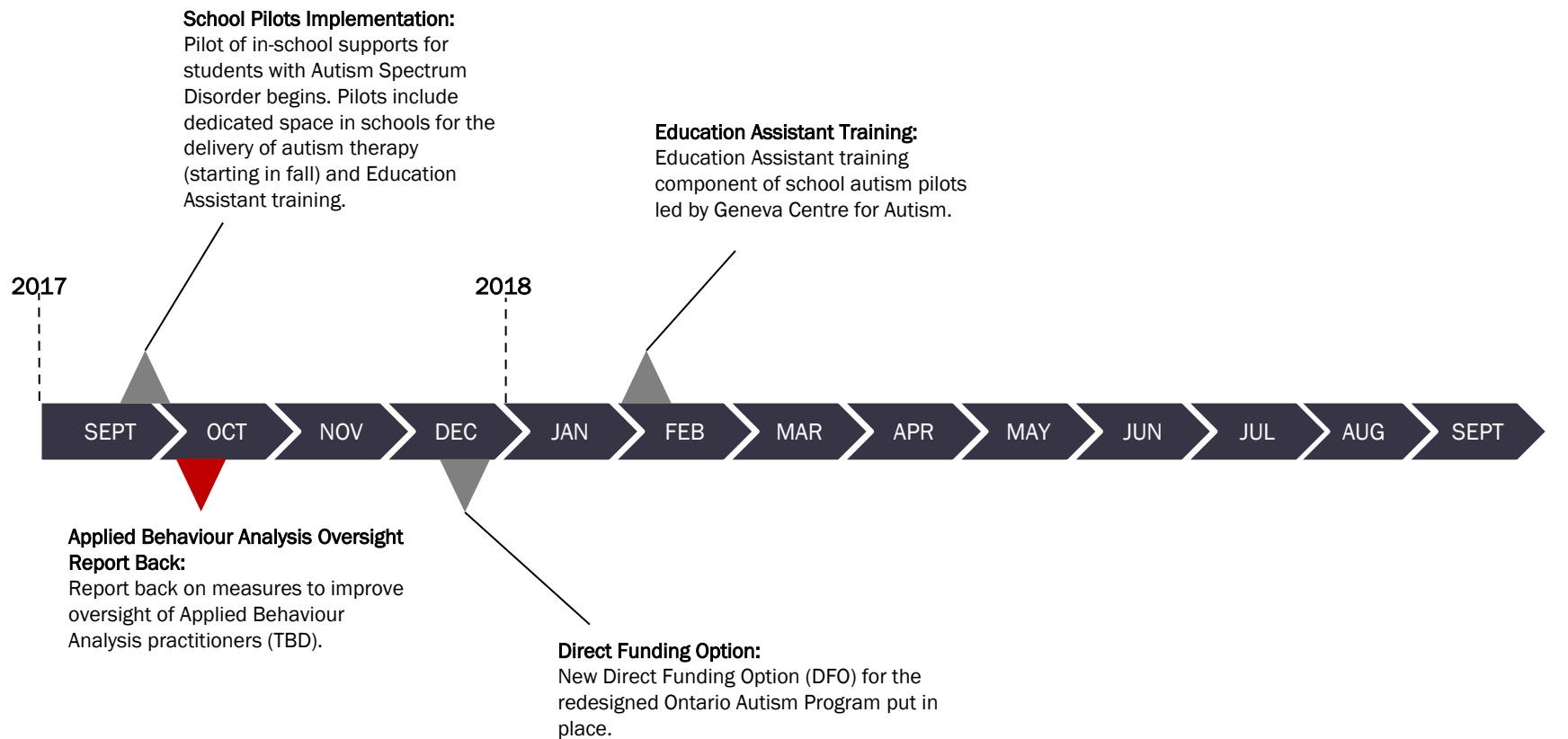


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Priority: Autism

Key Activity: 4.63 | Ontario Autism Program

Pillar: Supporting Children with Complex Needs



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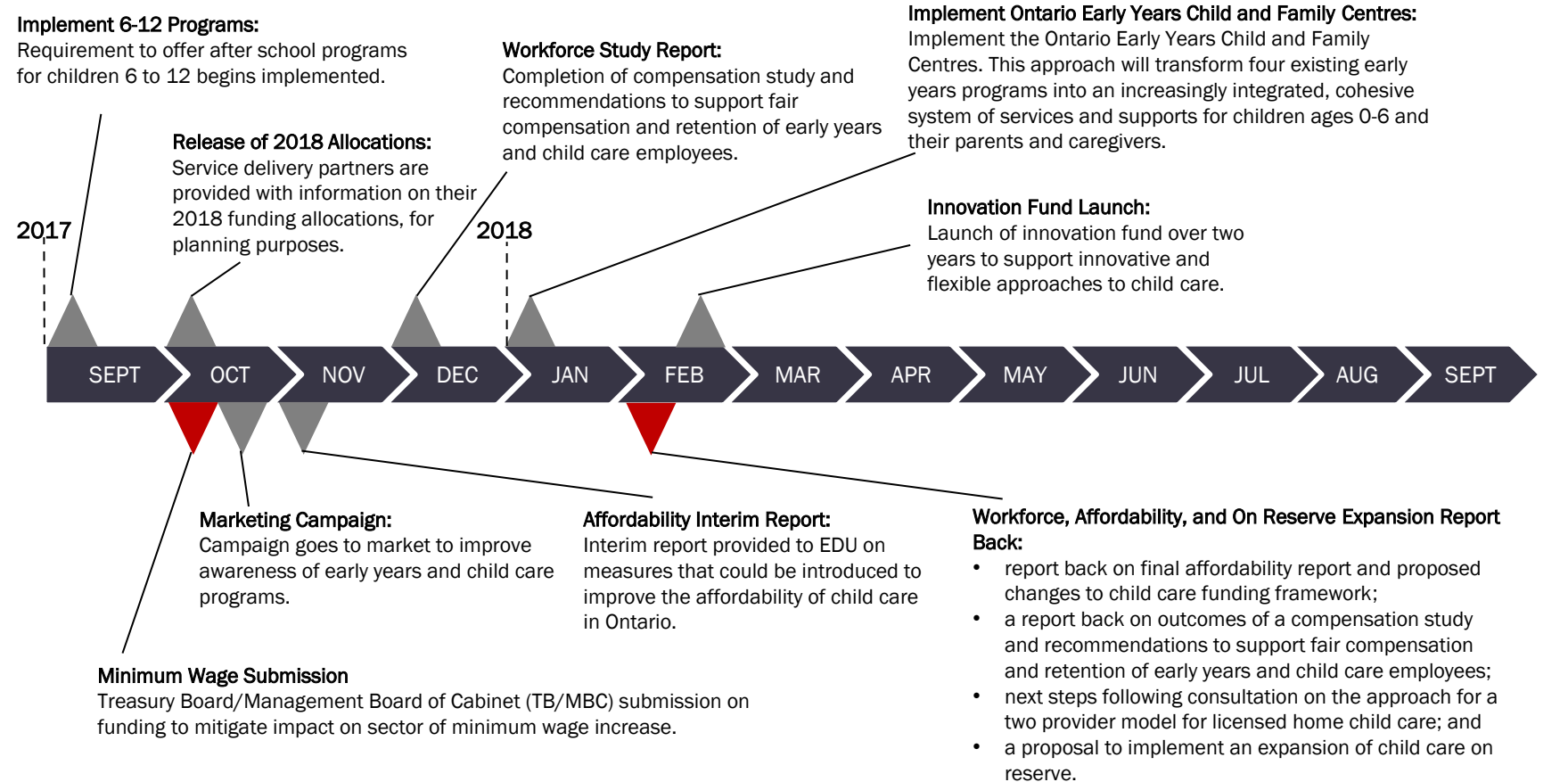
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Priority: Early Years and Child Care

Key Activity: 4.67 | Early Years and Child Care Plan

Pillar: Supporting Children with Complex Needs



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1. Helping You and Your Family

Priority: Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan/The 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan

Key Activity: 15.11 | Long-Term Energy Plan (LTEP) and Related Initiatives, 15.21 | Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan

Pillar: Managing Ontario's Energy Resources

Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan (OFHP)-Global Adjustment (GA) Refinancing Implementation (Sept-Dec 2017)

Implementation of the partial GA refinancing including: Minister of Energy to set Fair Allocation Amount (FAA), Ontario Power Generation(OPG)/Special Purpose Vehicles (SPV) to produce financing plans consistent with FAA, OPG/SPV to begin purchasing investment asset, OPG/SPV working with lenders and credit rating agencies in establishing the vehicles for selling of investment asset interests.

Ontario Electricity Support Program (OESP) Automatic Enrollment of New Social Assistance (SA) Recipients:

Implementation of OESP automatic enrollment for new social assistance recipients via Social Assistance Management System as part of intake. In the interim, new and existing SA clients will be enrolled through a manual process led by a dedicated team at MCSS. This team is responsible for reaching out to over 90,000 existing SA clients that have not enrolled in the OESP as well as processing over 5,000 new grants each month referred from local offices. MCSS will report back to TB/MBC on progress in Fall 2017.

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Long-Term Energy Plan (LTEP) and Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)/ Ontario Energy Board (OEB)

Implementation Directives: Approval of final LTEP document and the implementation directives to the IESO and OEB. The agencies must then submit implementation to the Minister of Energy by January 31, 2018 for approval.

Public Release of 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan (LTEP)

ON-QC Trade, Storage etc. Report Back:

ENERGY continue to work with the IESO, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) and appropriate ministries to identify opportunities to remove costs and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from the electricity system through efficiencies, other funding sources and supply mix decisions, consistent with government priorities, including ongoing discussions with Hydro Québec, storage providers and other electricity market participants, and report back to Cabinet in 2017.

Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) and Ontario Energy Board (OEB) Implementation Plans to Minister:

IESO and OEB Implementation Plans due to the Minister of Energy for approval.

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1. Helping You and Your Family

Priority: Seniors Strategy/Long-Term Care

Key Activity: 4.27 | Promoting Healthy, Active and Engaged Seniors

Pillar: Supporting Senior's Health and Wellness

Seniors Strategy:

Development of a new whole-of-government Seniors Strategy discussion paper to profile government's commitment of better supporting seniors to remain active, healthy and engaged in their communities, and to seek feedback from public/stakeholders.

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Seniors Strategy Discussion Paper:

Release of Seniors Strategy Discussion Paper in fall 2017 (in advance of Fall Economic Statement).

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1. Helping You and Your Family

Priority: Consumer Protection

Key Activity: 4.52 | Enhancing Consumer Protections

Pillar: Protecting Consumers

Introduce Tarion Legislation:

Introduce legislation to increase consumer protection and support quality new home building by: Introducing greater transparency, accountability and oversight measures for Tarion; making government, not Tarion, the decision maker on the content of the mandatory warranty and new home builder and vendor regulation; creating a new administrative authority to regulate new home builders and vendors and strengthen the regulation of builders and vendors; addressing transition issues to ensure continuity of coverage and stability of the system; and, maintaining Tarion as the sole warranty provider.

Loyalty Points:

Regulatory amendments to implement 2016's Bill 47, the *Protecting Rewards Point Act (Consumer Protection Amendment)* to prohibit expiry of loyalty points due to the passage of time alone.

Door to Door Sales:

Regulatory amendments under the *Consumer Protection Act*, to implement 2017's *Bill 59 - Putting Consumers First Act* to improve consumer protection against high pressure door-to-door solicitation and contracting tactics for certain goods and services.

Consumer Real Estate and Travel:

Legislative amendments to *Travel Industry Act* and *Real Estate Business Brokers Act* to enhance consumer protections in travel and real estate industries.

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Tickets Speculation Act:

Policy approval to repeal and replace the *Ticket Speculation Act (TSA)* with legislation that would promote fairness, transparency and consumer protection in the ticket industry. Legislation to be combined with *Consumer Protection Bill* - Fall 2017 introduction.

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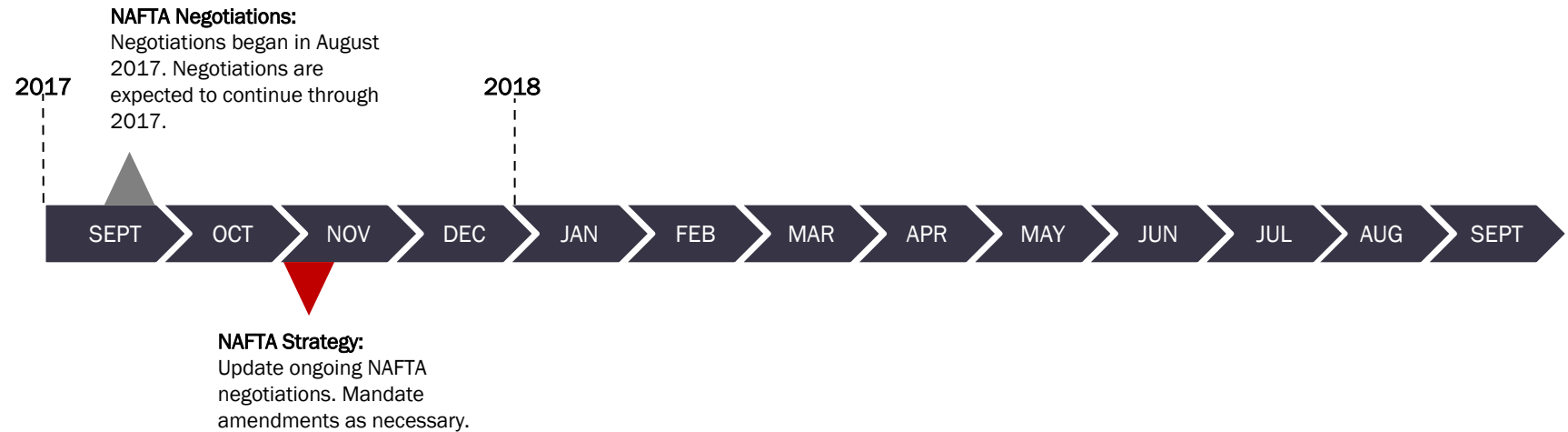
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2. Creating Opportunities and Security/Investing in People and Jobs

Priority: NAFTA/Trade Issues

Key Activities: 1.11 | Trade Agreements and Measures (NAFTA), 1.12 | Global Trade Strategy

Pillar: Reducing Trade Barriers



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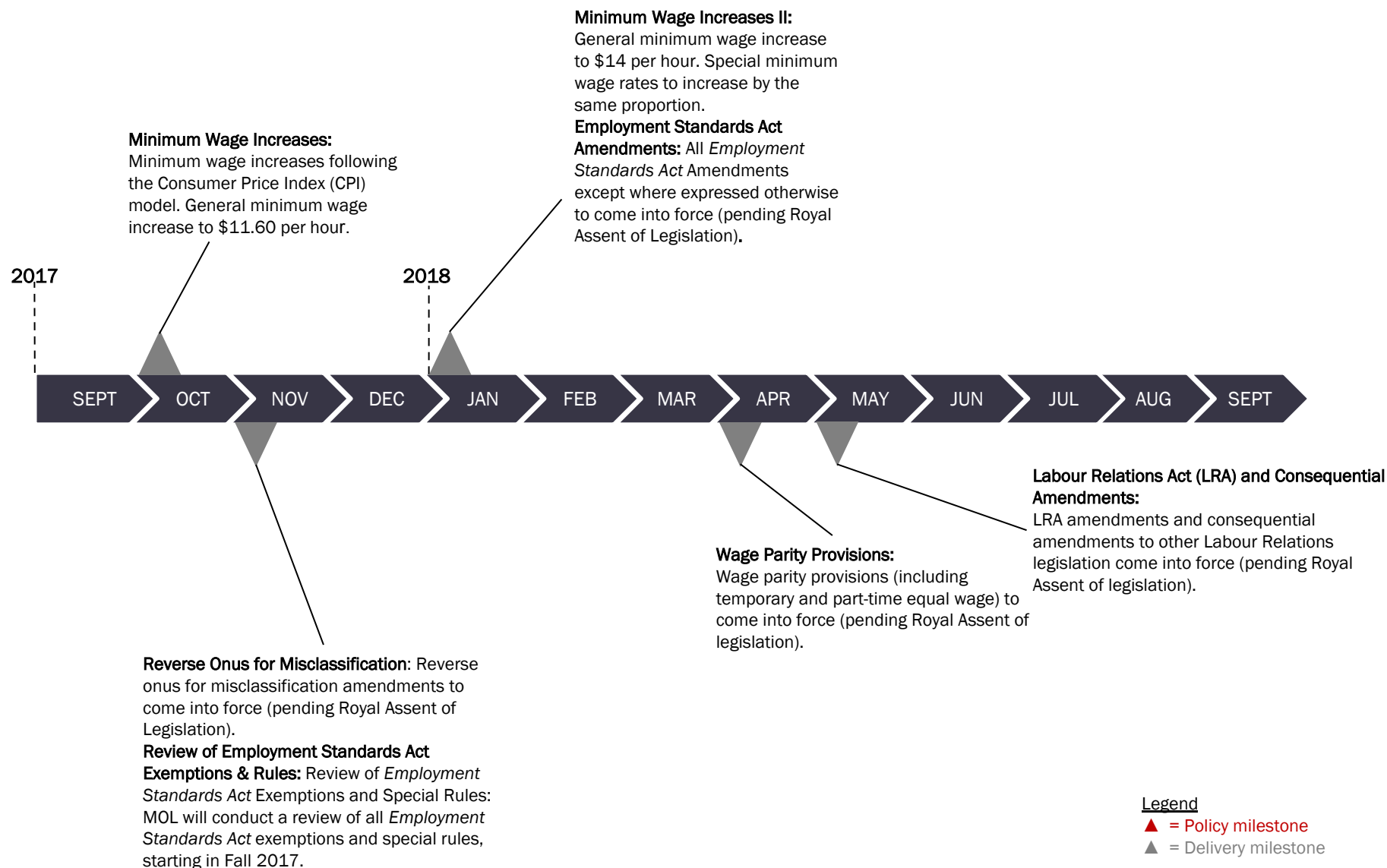
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2. Creating Opportunities and Security/Investing in People and Jobs

Priority: Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs

Key Activity: 4.45 | Changing Workplaces Review and Increasing Minimum Wage

Pillar: Labour Law Reform



2. Creating Opportunities and Security/Investing in People and Jobs

Priority: Small Business Strategy

Key Activity: 1.05 | Small Business Strategy (and Supporting Regional Communities)

Pillar: Strategic Partnerships

Small Business Strategy:
Fall Economic Statement
announcement.

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Small Business Strategy:

Supports to ensure continued vitality and inclusive growth of main street small business in Ontario. Targeting sectors with transitional support.

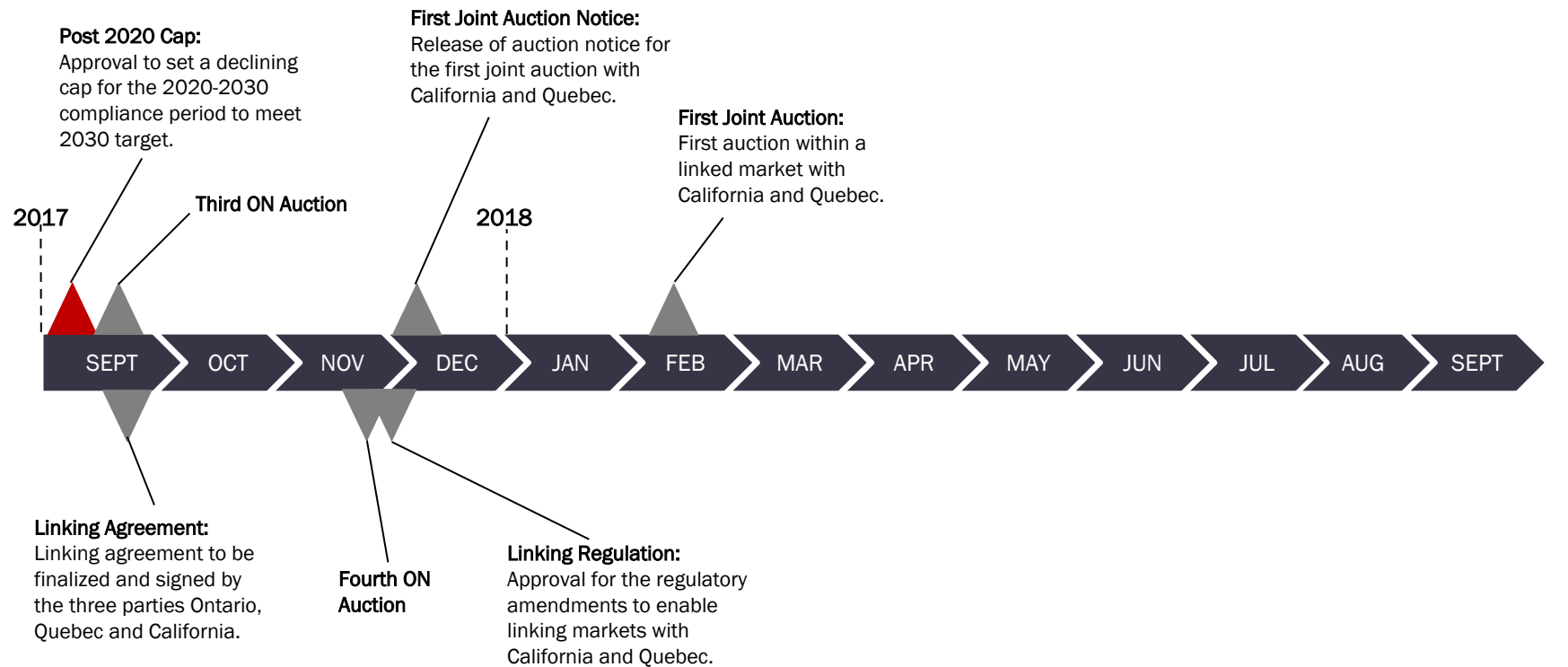
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2. Creating Opportunities and Security/Investing in People and Jobs

Priority: Cap and Trade

Key Activity: 3.03 | Cap and Trade Program Pillar: Putting a Price on Carbon



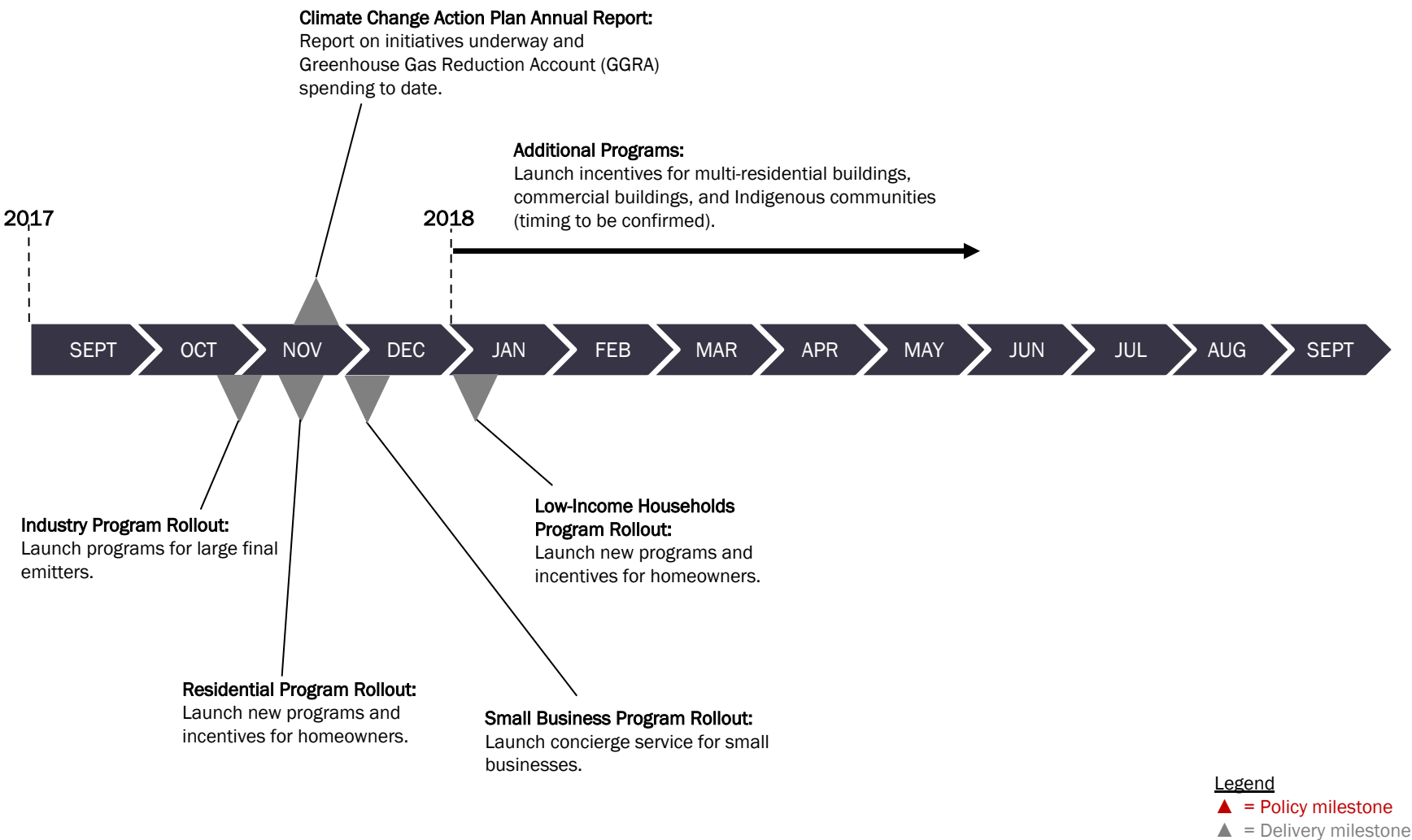
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Priority: Green ON and Climate Change Action Plan

Key Activity: 3.02 | Climate Change Action Plan and 3.13 | GreenON Pillar: Putting a Price on Carbon

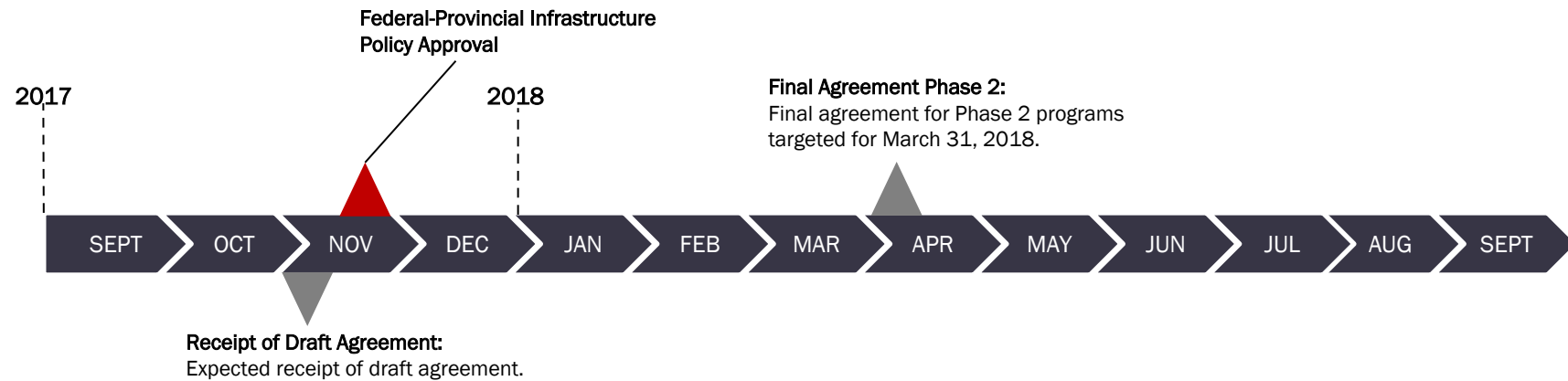


2. Creating Opportunities and Security/Investing in People and Jobs

Priority: Federal-Provincial Infrastructure

Key Activity: 13.10 | Federal-Provincial Infrastructure

Pillar: Infrastructure Plan



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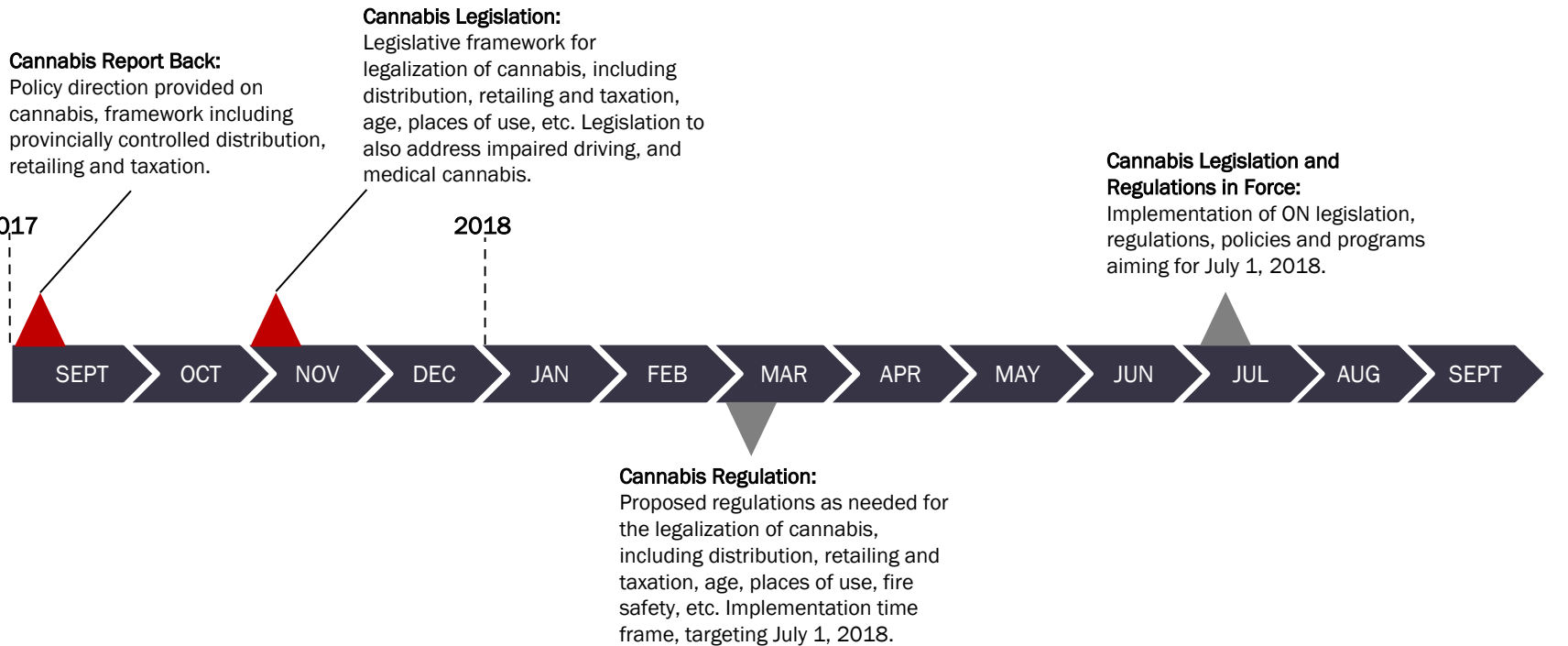
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Priority: Cannabis

Key Activity: 4.56 | Cannabis

Pillar: Safety and Access to Justice



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3. Strengthening Health Care

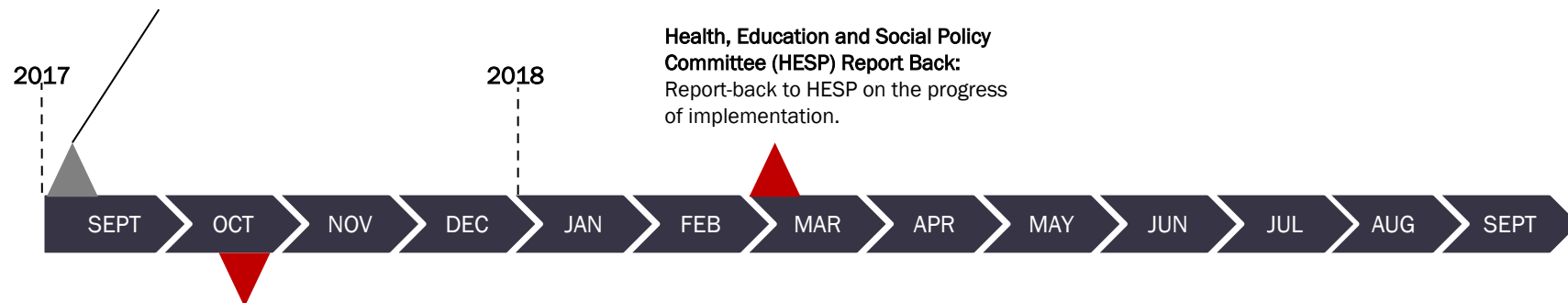
Priority: LHIN Transformation

Key Activity: 7.02 | LHIN Transformation Pillar: Access: Provide Timely Access to the Right Care

LRC Regulations:

LRC approval of post-transition regulations and proclamations (e.g. repeal of *Community Care Access Corporations (CCAC) Act* and removing references to CCACs in regulations; proclaiming into force sections of the Patients First Act).

Health, Education and Social Policy Committee (HESP) Report Back:
Report-back to HESP on the progress of implementation.



Local Health Integration Networks (LHIN) Implementation Update:
Report-back to Cabinet on LHIN Renewal implementation.

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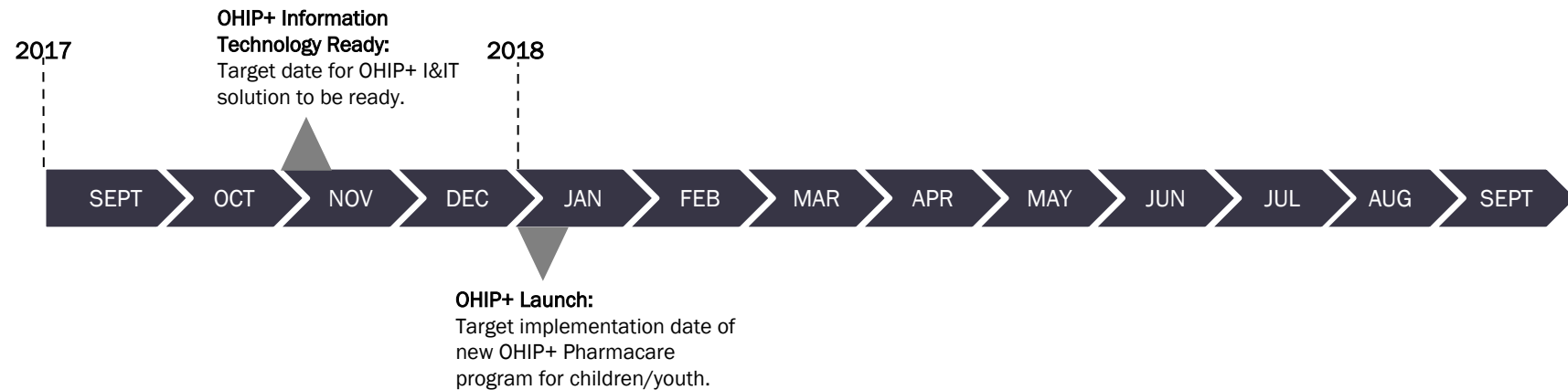
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3. Strengthening Health Care

Priority: OHIP+ and Other Public Drug Programs

Key Activity: 7.16 | OHIP+ and Other Drug Programs

Pillar: Other - Health



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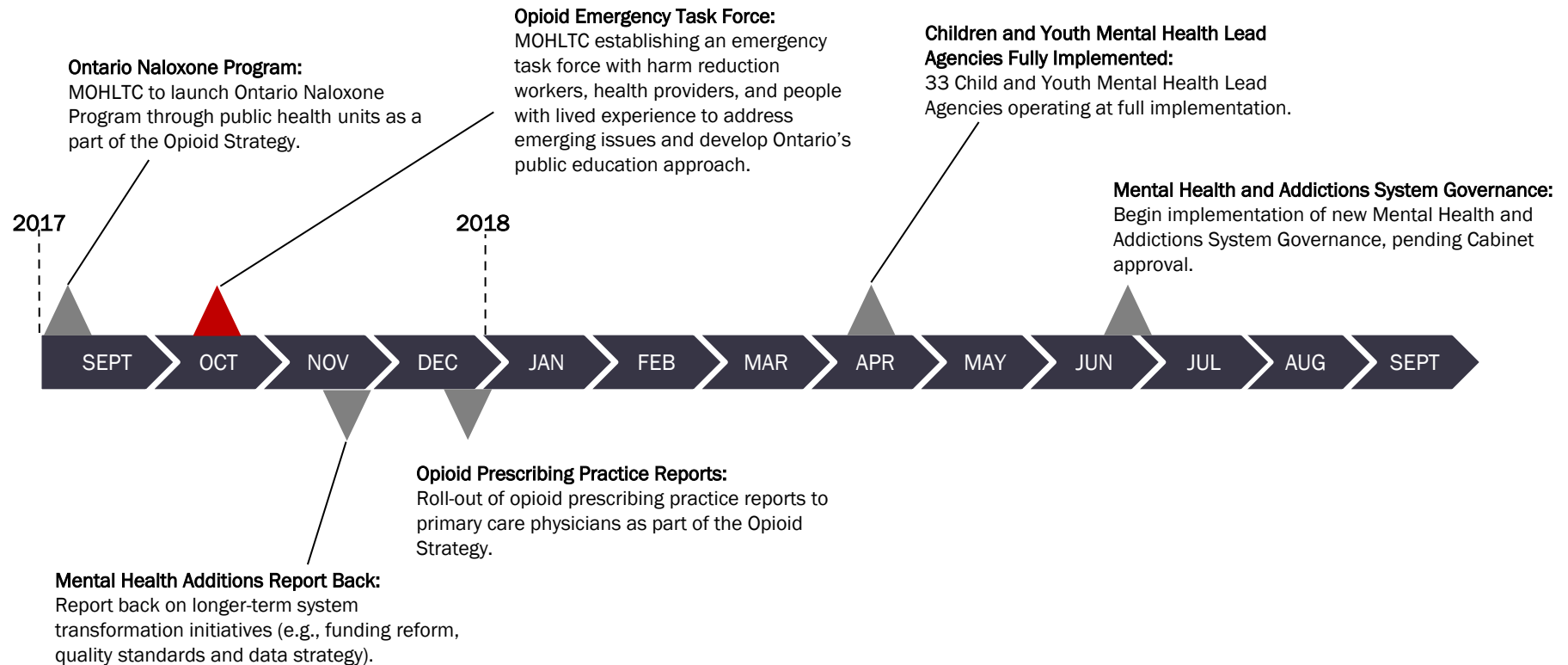
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3. Strengthening Health Care

Priority: Mental Health and Addictions (including Opioids)

Key Activity: 4.61 | Children and Youth Mental Health Transformation (CYMH), 7.07 | Mental Health and Addictions Services and Supports

Pillar: Connect: Deliver Coordinated and Integrated Care in the Community and Closer to Home



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4. Investing in Education and Building a Highly Skilled Workforce

Priority: Achieving Excellence for the Whole Learner (including Measures to Improve Equity and Well-Being)

Key Activities: 8.03 | Close the Achievement Gap for Underrepresented Groups, 8.05 | Well-Being Strategy for Education (to Enhance Mental and Physical Health of Students), 8.29 | Achieving Excellence for the Whole Learner

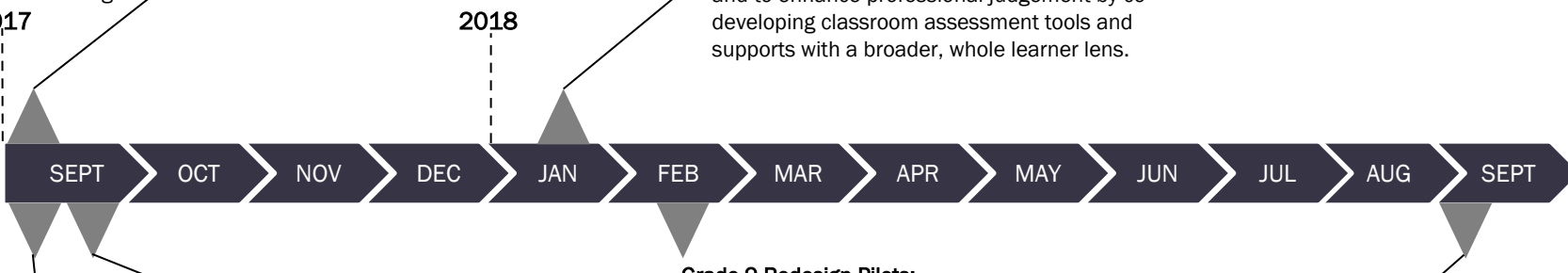
Pillar: Highly Skilled Workforce Strategy

Achieving Excellence for the Whole Learner Announcements :

- \$49 million over three years investments in new and expanded well-being programs for students across the province.
- Multi-year and multi-prong plan to update the school curriculum and student assessment tools to unleash the full potential of every child.
- Equity Action Plan, a new three-year strategy to reduce systematic barriers and improve student achievement and well-being.

Capacity Building:

Professional learning and development begins to build educator capacity around teaching, learning and assessing Global Competencies and to enhance professional judgement by co-developing classroom assessment tools and supports with a broader, whole learner lens.



Consultations and Education Quality and Accountability Ontario (EQAO) Review Begin:

Three streams:

- 1) Review begins of EQAO's large-scale assessment program.
- 2) Consultations begin on revitalized curriculum and on the assessment framework.
- 3) Engagements held with parent/guardians and communities on effective communication strategies to improve engagement with schools.

Well-being Budget Initiatives:

Well-being programs totalling \$49 million over three years begin implementation.

Grade 9 Redesign Pilots:

Pilots begin of new Grade 9 design and supports for grades 7 and 8.

Index Established:

A new provincial index on well-being is launched.

New Report Card Implemented:

Global Competencies would replace Learning Skills and Work Habits on the Provincial Report Card.

Climate Surveys:

Updated school climate surveys to include well-being and equity released.

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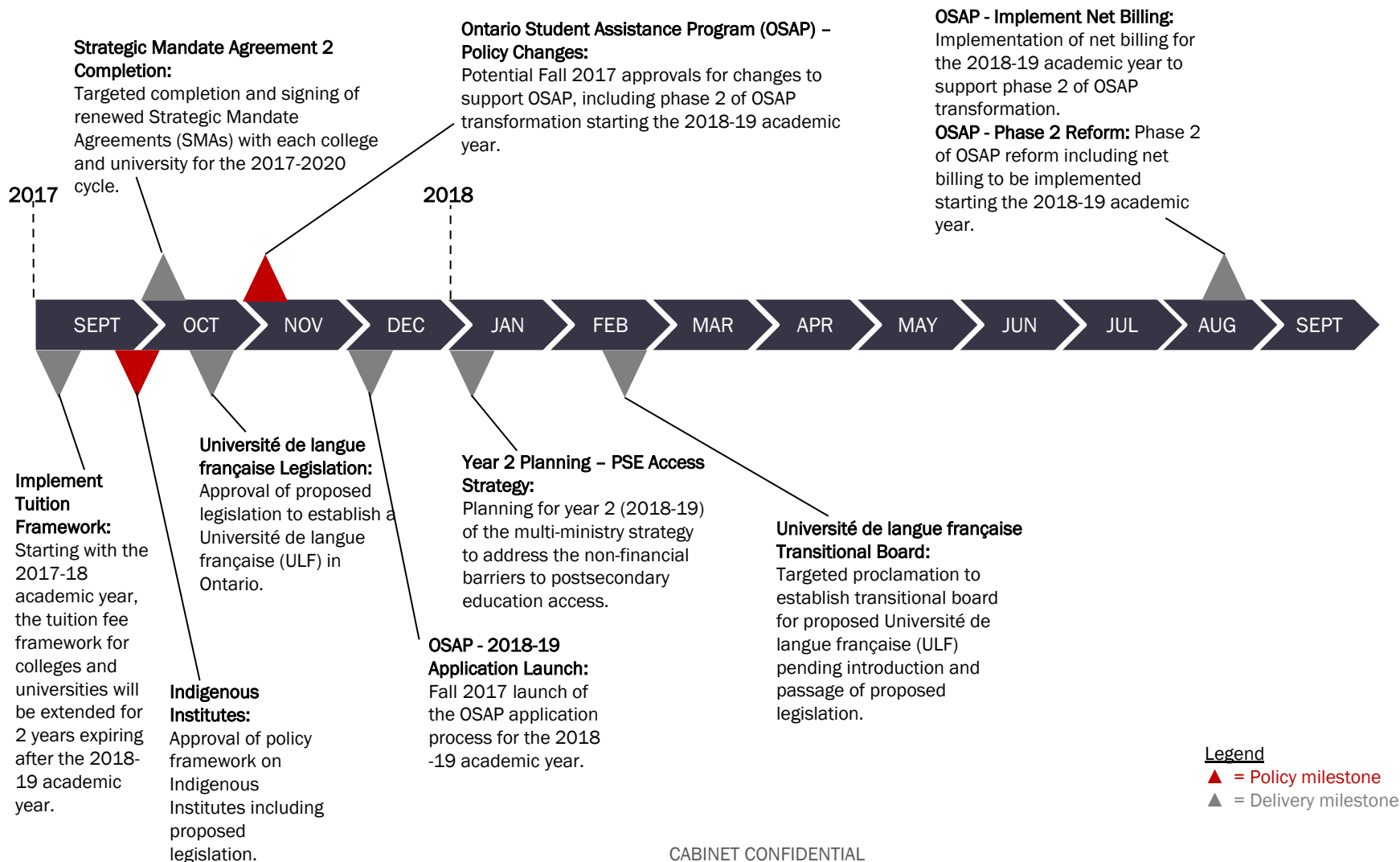
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4. Investing in Education and Building a Highly Skilled Workforce

Priority: Access to High Quality Postsecondary Education (PSE)

Key Activities: 4.08 | Indigenous Postsecondary Education Strategy (Indigenous Institutes Policy), 8.10 | OSAP Transformation, 8.11 | Access Strategy to Address Non-Financial Barriers to Postsecondary Education, 8.12 | University and College Reform, 8.15 | French-language Postsecondary Education

Pillars: Ontario's Action Plan for Reconciliation: Closing Gaps and Removing Barriers, High Quality and Sustainable Postsecondary Education System



4. Investing in Education and Building a Highly Skilled Workforce

Priority: Experiential Learning including Career Kick-Start Strategy

Key Activities: 8.18 | Modernized Apprenticeship Program, 8.23 | Experiential Learning and Mentorship (including Career Kick-Start Strategy),

Pillars: Employment and Training System Transformation, Highly Skilled Workforce Strategy

Apprenticeship Modernization:

Fall 2017 policy submission by MAESD to seek approval for a strategy to modernize the apprenticeship system focused on increasing completion rates, increasing the participation of under-represented groups, and creating clearer, better pathways for learners working with EDU, MOL and MOF.

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Adult Education Policy Report Back:

Policy report back to Cabinet on status of implementation and further policy approvals related to elements of Ontario Lifelong Learning and Skills Plan.

Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM):

As part of the Career Kick-Start Strategy, EDU is expanding the Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) program over the next three years starting September 2017 to introduce more Grade 11 and 12 students to career options while obtaining their high school diploma.

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4. Investing in Education and Building a Highly Skilled Workforce

Priority: Lifelong Learning and Skills Plan

Key Activity: 8.17 | Ontario Lifelong Learning and Skills Plan

Pillar: Employment and Training System Transformation

Implementation of Plan:

Following 2017 approvals and announcement of plan, ongoing implementation of elements of Ontario Lifelong Learning and Skills Plan.



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Policy report back to Cabinet on status of implementation and further policy approvals related to elements of Ontario Lifelong Learning and Skills Plan.

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4. Investing in Education and Building a Highly Skilled Workforce

Priority: Inclusive Skills Development

Key Activities: 4.22 | Women's Economic Empowerment Strategy, 4.34 | Employment Strategy for Persons with Disabilities, 8.20 | Ontario's Immigration Strategy (including the Ontario Immigration Act (OIA) and Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program (OINP))

Pillars: Supporting Opportunities for and Protecting Women, Supporting an Inclusive Ontario, Working with the Federal Government to Maximize the Economic Benefits of Immigration

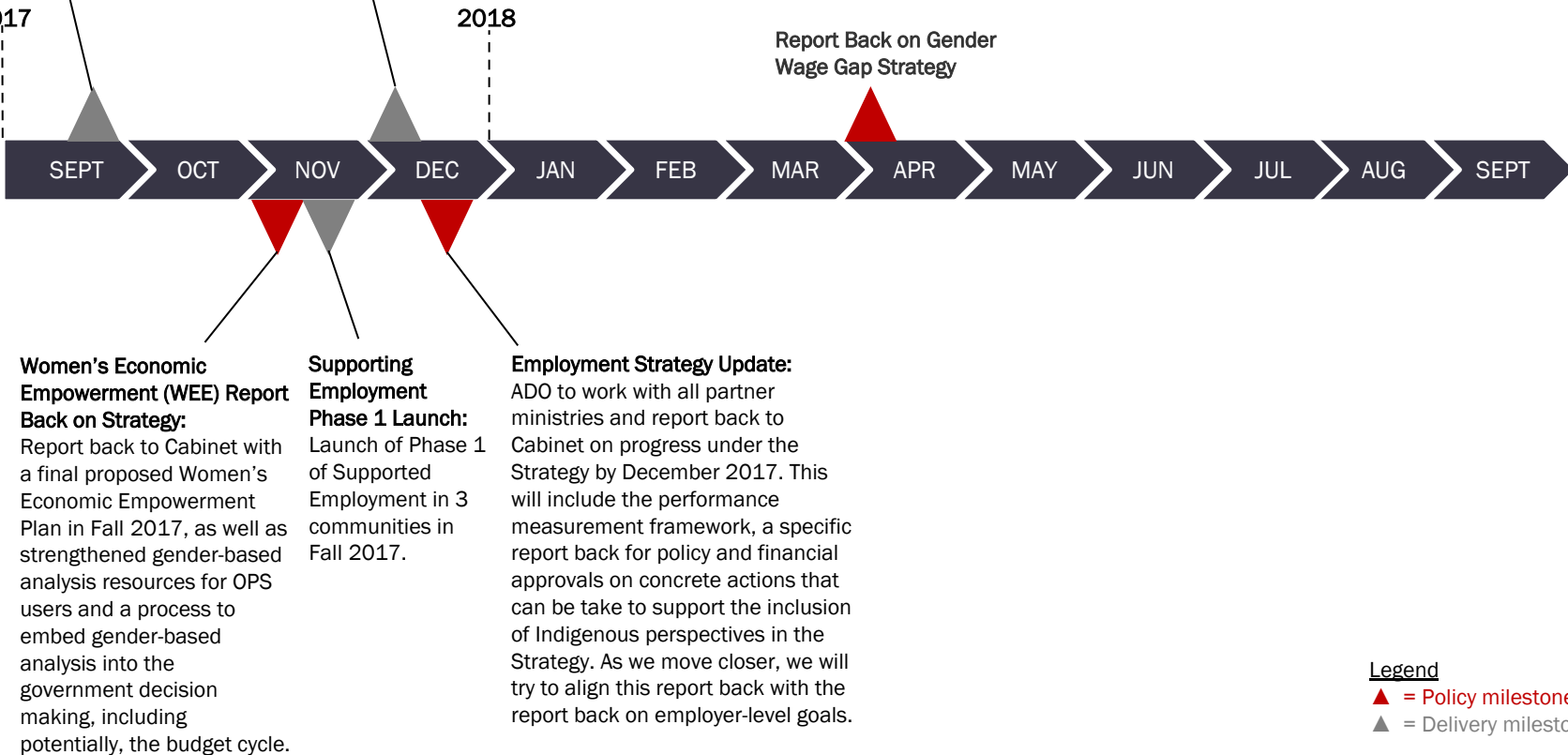
Business Leader

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Accessibility Directorate of Ontario (ADO) established a consultation table of business leaders.

WEE Summit:

Launch of the Women's Economic Empowerment Strategy at a WEE Summit.

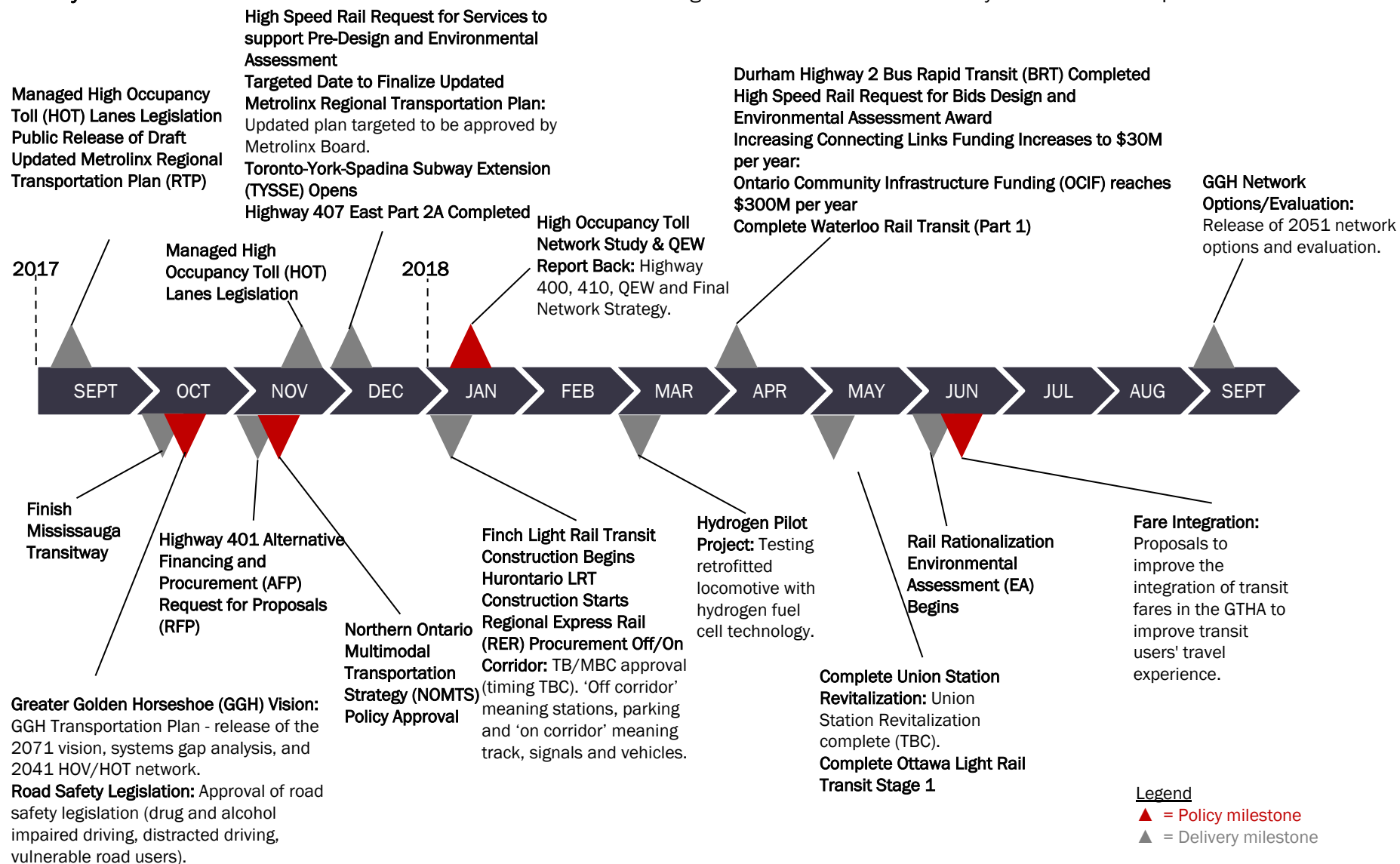


5. Building Transit and Transportation

Priorities: Transit – Inside the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA), Transit and Transportation – Outside the GTHA, and Other Transit and Transportation

Key Activities: 13.01 – 13.06

Pillars: Moving Ontario Forward and Other Key Transit and Transportation Initiatives



6. Building Inclusive Communities and Improving the Justice System

Priority: Justice Reforms (Corrections and Policing)

Key Activities: 4.42 | Corrections Reform, 4.43 | Strategy for a Safer Ontario and Police Oversight Review

Pillar: Safety and Access to Justice

Release Final Report:

The Independent Advisor on Corrections Reform's final report will help inform the government's approach to long-term reform in the corrections system. This work may include exploring options for enhancing programming and formalizing internal and external oversight functions.

Strategy for a Safer Ontario Legislation:

MCSCS to introduce a police omnibus bill, including legislation to repeal and replace the *Police Services Act*, to implement the Strategy for a Safer Ontario.

Corrections Reform – Health Transformation:

MCSS and MOHLTC to report back to Cabinet in Spring 2018 on longer-term initiatives to transform the delivery of healthcare services in the corrections sector.

Police Oversight – Ontario Special Investigations Unit :
Ontario Special Investigations Unit Act to come into effect.

Corrections Legislation:

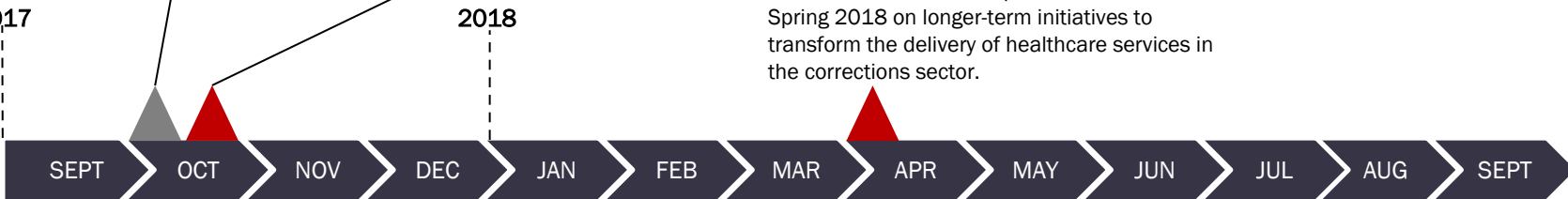
New legislation to support corrections reform. This will be the first substantive review of existing legislation since the 1990s and will include a legislative definition of segregation based on conditions of confinement and international standards - not on a physical location within an institution.

Corrections Report Back:

Report back with actions to address corrections reform, including an update of transforming the delivery of healthcare services, and informed by both reports by the Independent Advisor on Corrections Reform.

Police Oversight Legislation:

MCSCS to introduce a police omnibus bill, including legislation to enhance Ontario's civilian police oversight bodies, which was recommended by Justice Tulloch in the Independent Police Oversight Review.



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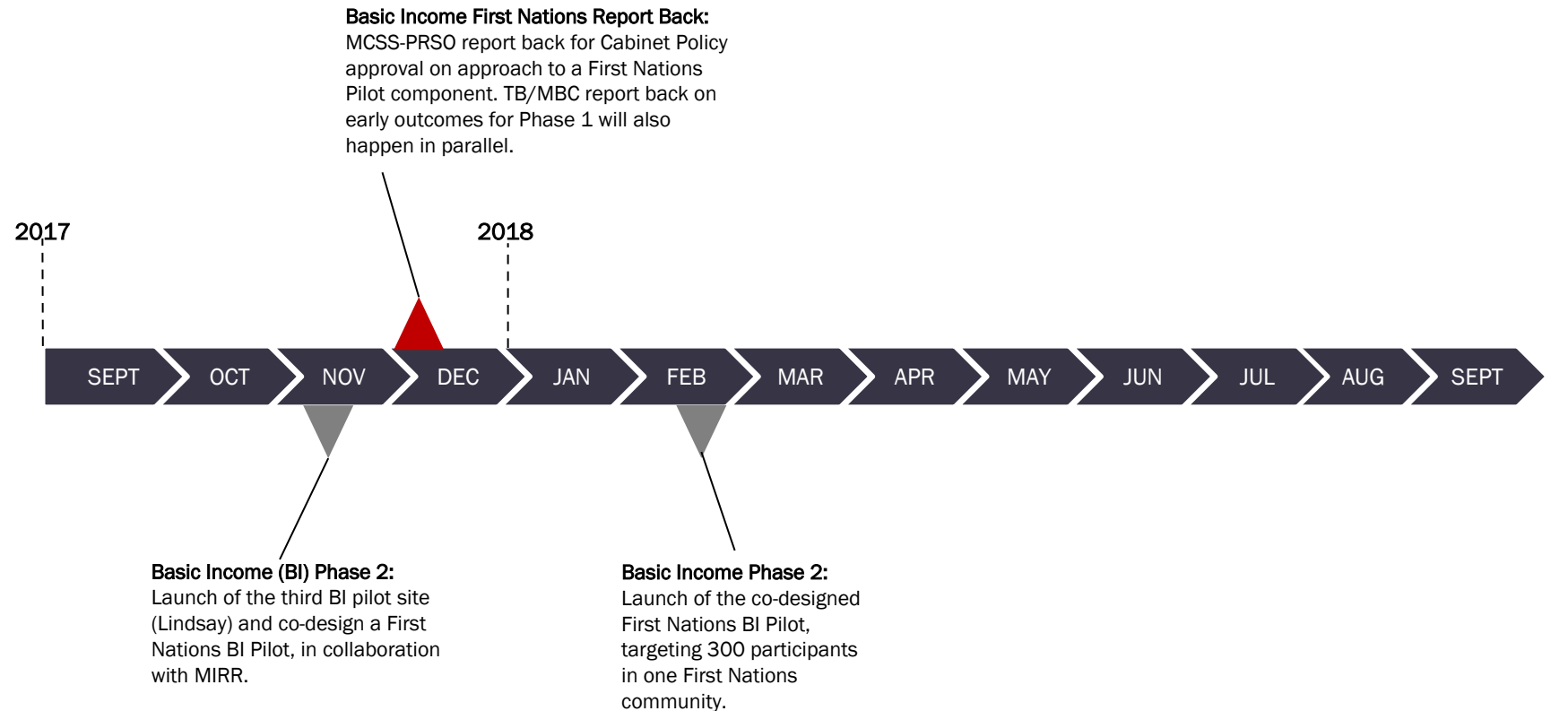
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Priority: Basic Income Pilot

Key Activity: 5.04 | Basic Income Pilot

Pillar: Moving Towards Income and Employment Security



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