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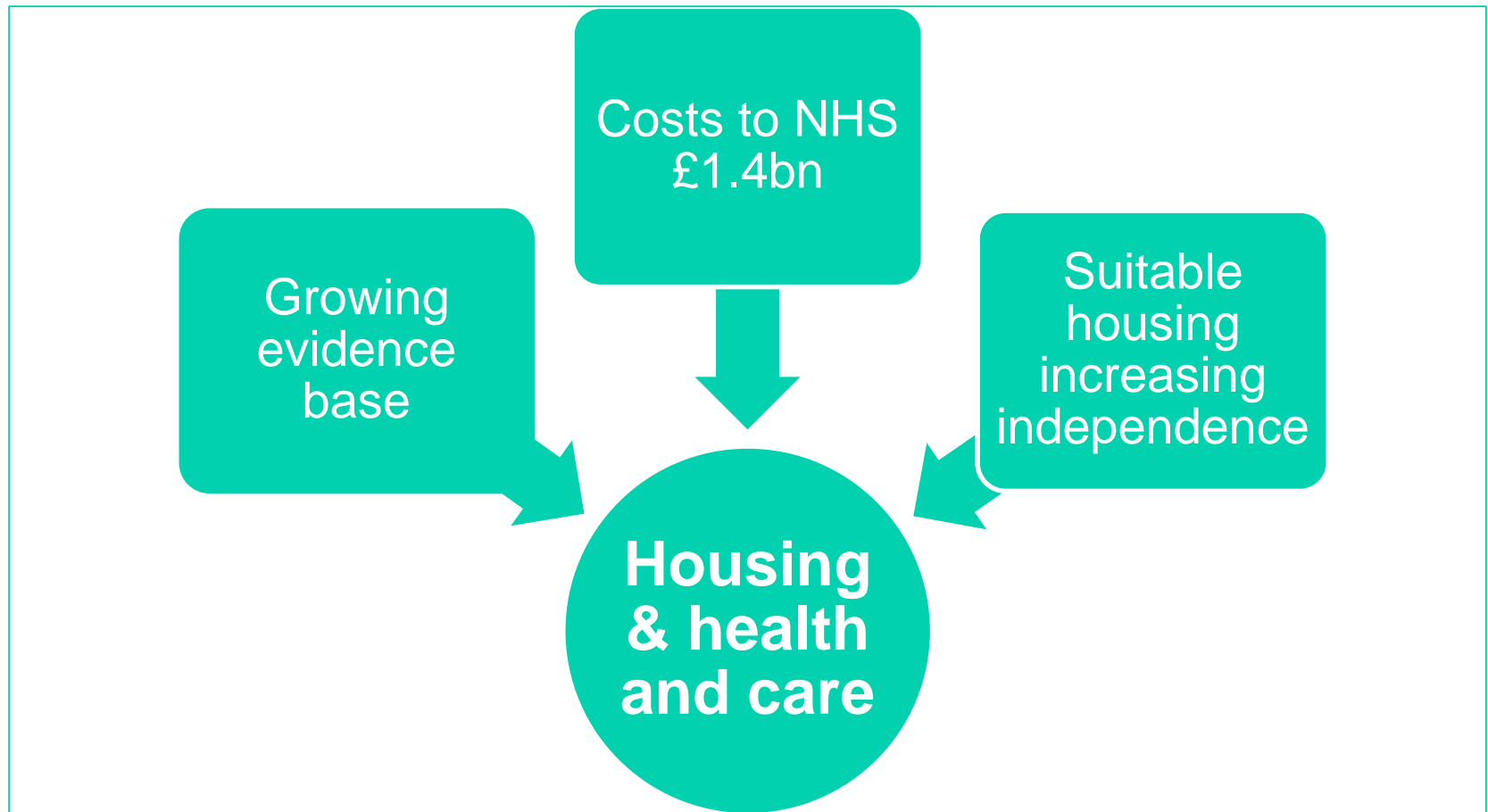
The role of housing in health and care integration

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Introduction

- Good health begins at home
- Delayed transfers of care and other drivers
 - fewer or delayed admissions to care homes
 - prevention
 - reasons other than aids and adaptations, a system response

Why is housing important to DH?



The evidence

Unsafe housing

- Increased falls
- Hospital admissions
- Residential care

Cold damp homes

- Early Winter deaths
- Increased respiratory problems

Overcrowded homes

- Increased infectious disease
- Poor mental health

The challenge

- Continue to build the evidence base
- Support its uptake amongst decisions makers in local government, the NHS and the housing sector

What is DH doing?



Integration
and the
Better Care
Fund

Disabled
Facilities
Grant

Specialised
Housing

More to do

- Joining up across government and at a local level
- Increasing the profile
- Enabling local implementation

Next Steps



Further integration
and the opportunities
for housing



Better evidence