



Health Innovation Week

Post Event Report

Tuesday, April 29, 2025

Digital Leadership Day

Wednesday, April 30, 2025

Innovation Showcase

Delta Hotels by Marriott Toronto, Ontario



Event Overview

2

Days

96

Speakers

511

Registrations

56

Partners

Featured Speakers



Stewart Wong

Vice President of Strategy, Sustainability and Communications, Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital



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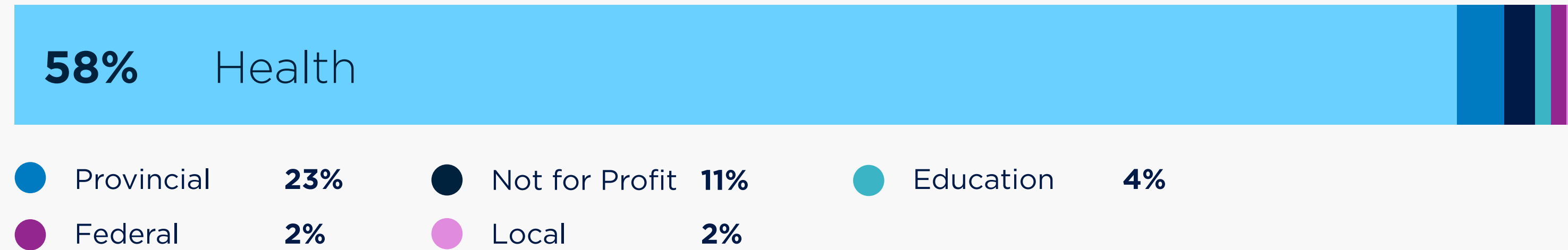
“Public Sector Network, thanks again for providing these opportunities where public sector owners, academia, and industry comes together and shares knowledge! It’s also great to learn from everyone’s journey on where they are! I truly enjoyed being part of the panel. ”

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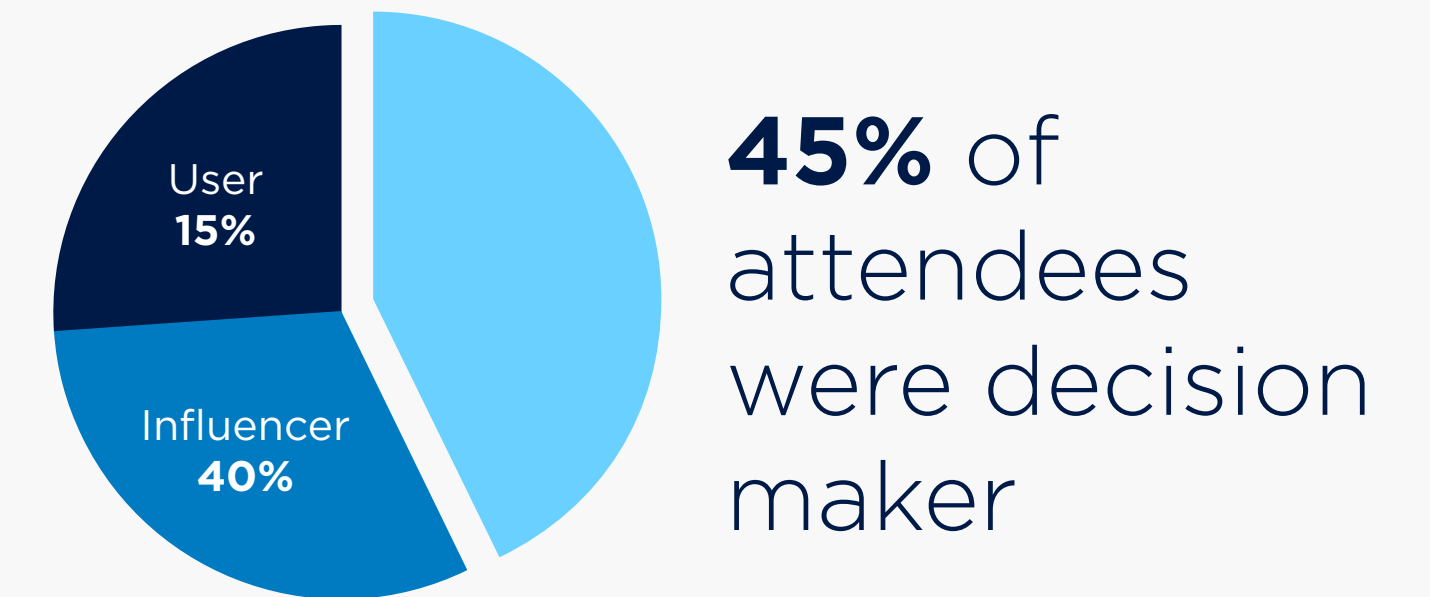


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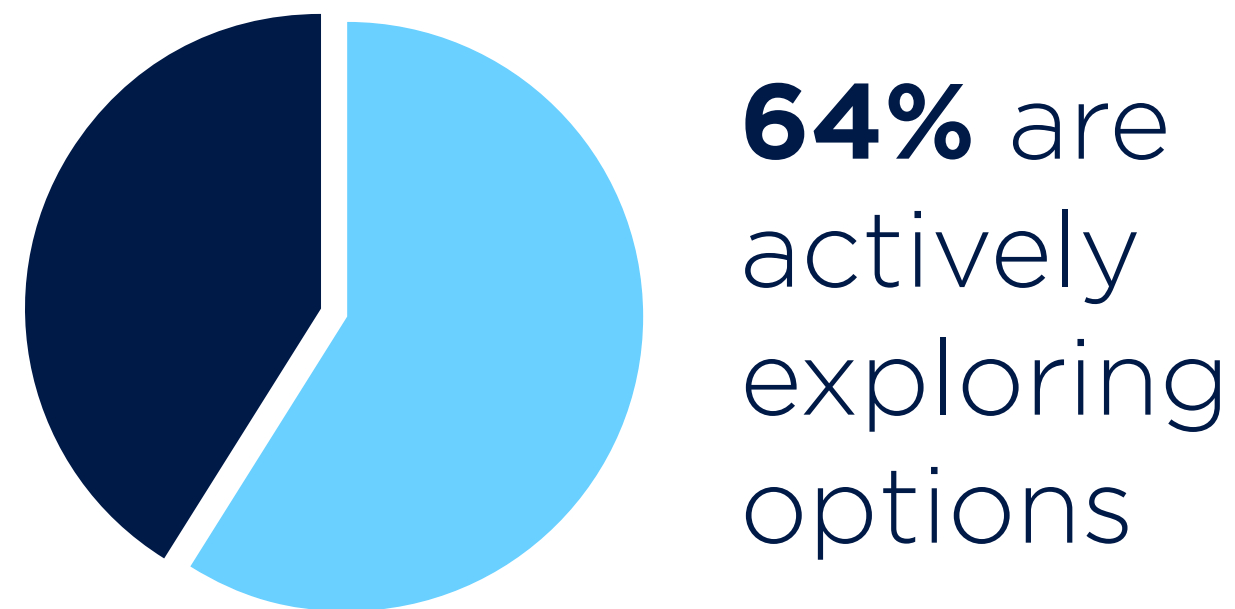
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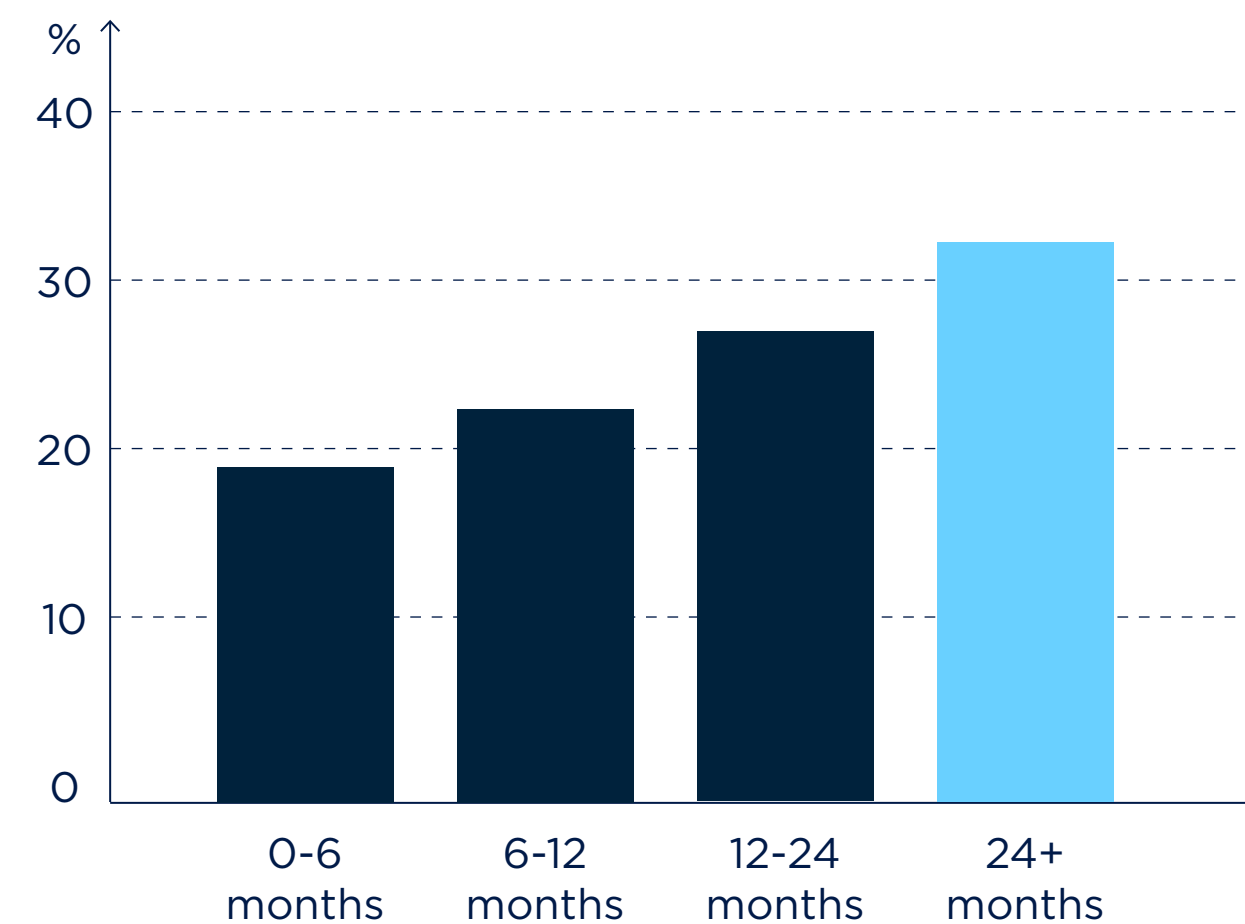
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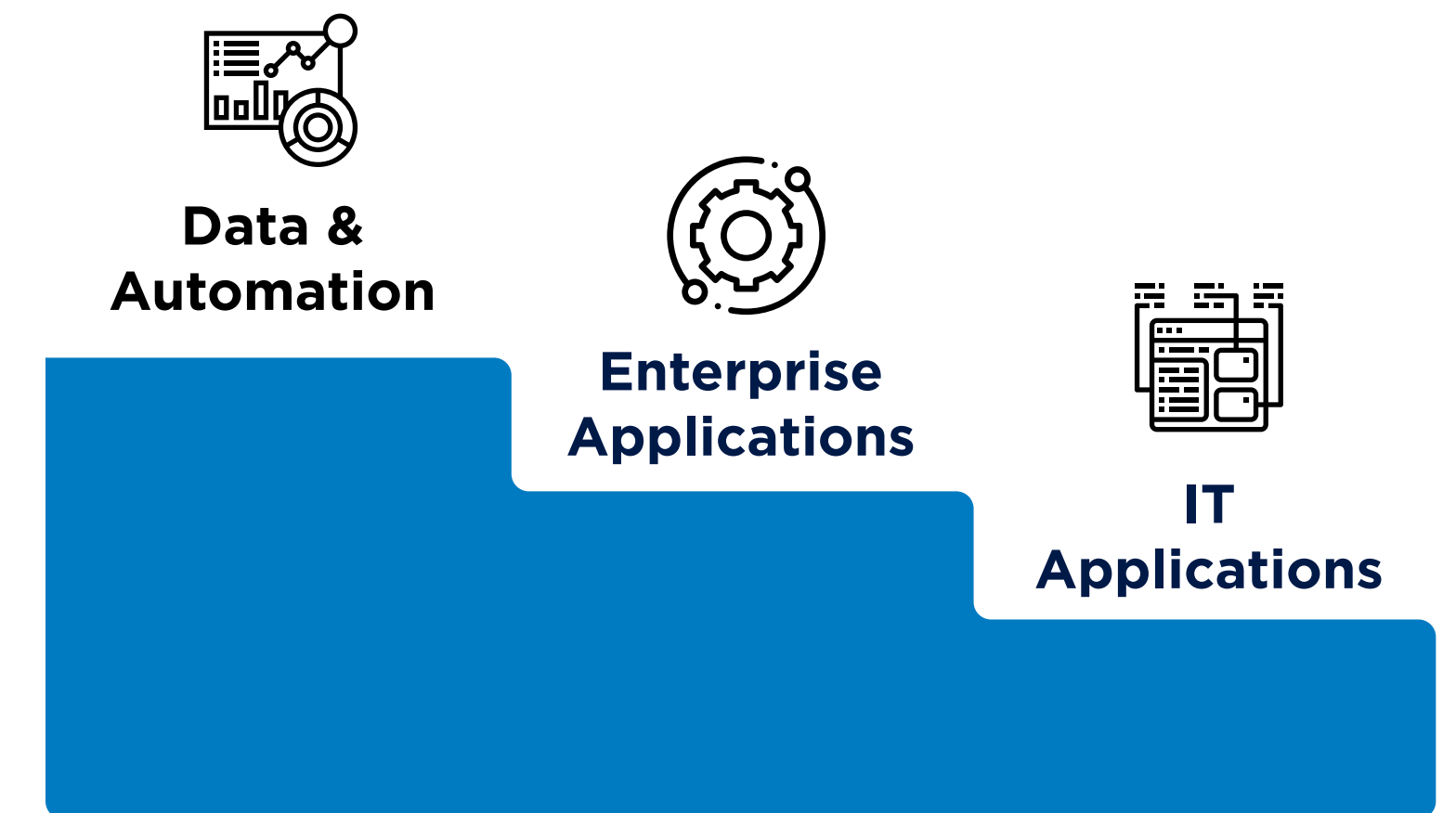
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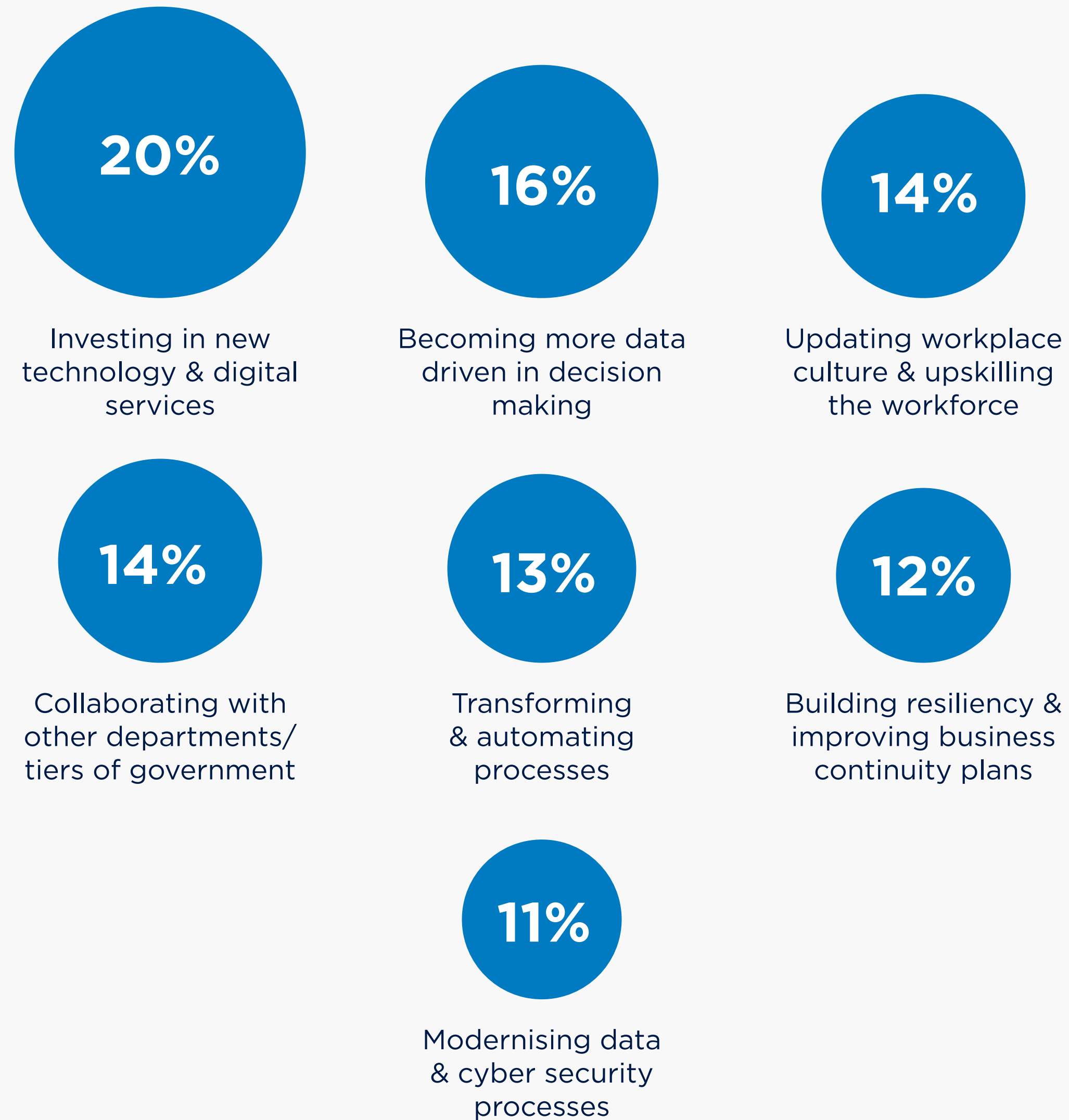
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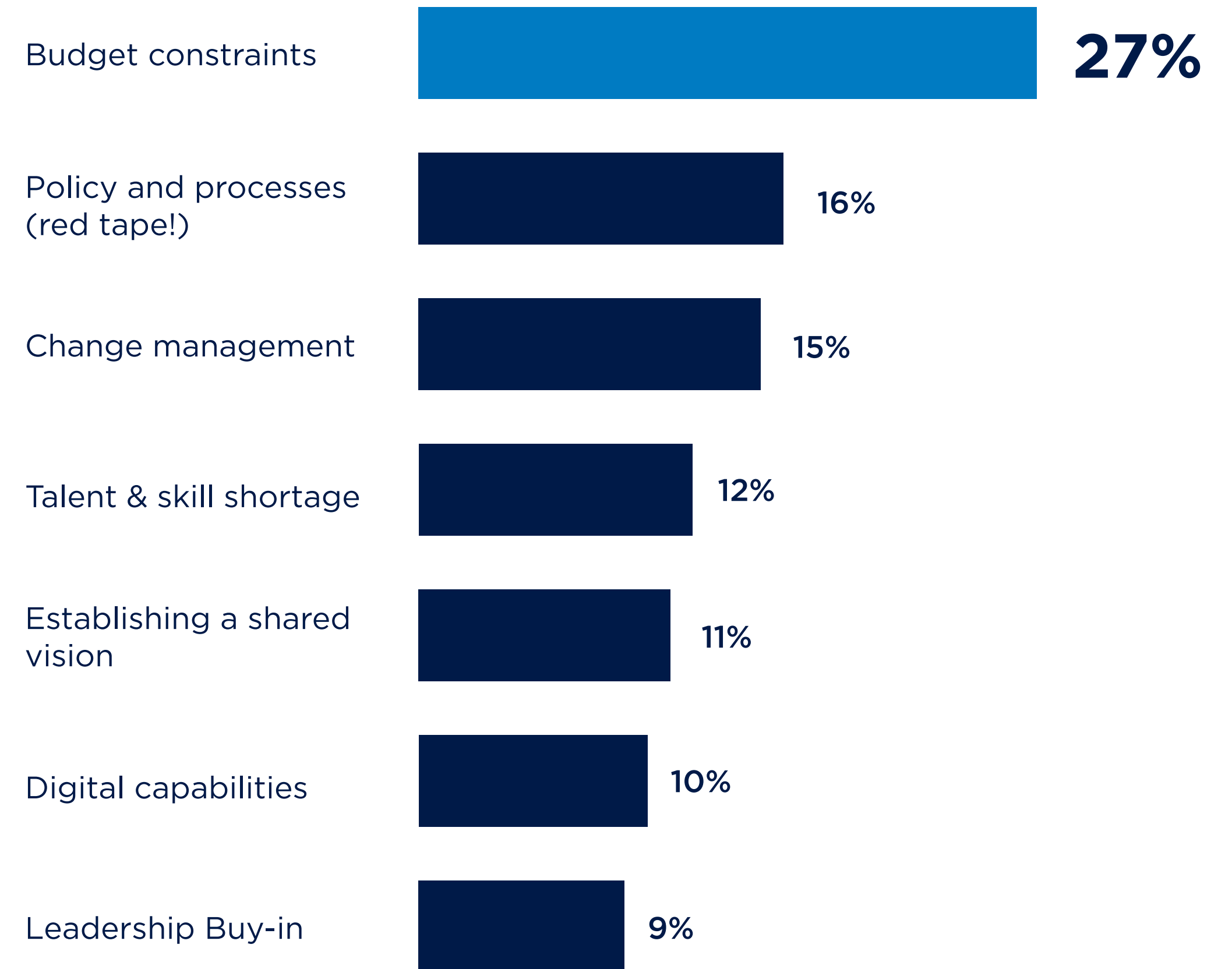
Top 3 Focus



Organization, department, or function's top priority over the next 12-24 months

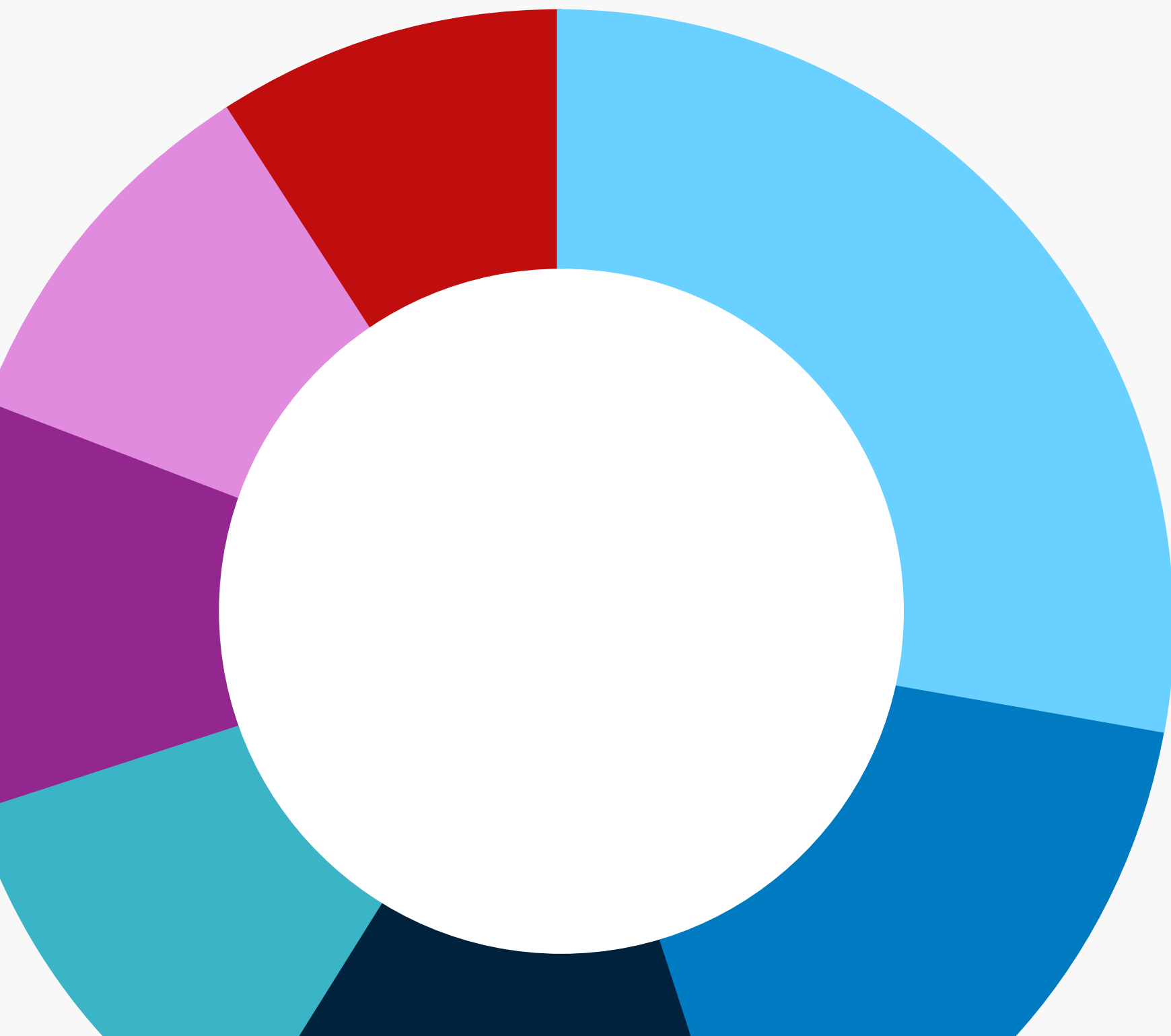


Biggest barriers to building a culture of continuous innovation within the agency/department



Biggest challenge facing the Public Sector on a Federal level

● Economic - budgets & competing priorities	28%
● Technological - digital divide & rate of change	17%
● Workforce - talent attraction & retention	14%
● Social - accessibility and equal access for all	11%
● Security - cybersecurity & information security	11%
● Demographic - population expectations & citizen trust	10%
● Environmental - metro/rural divide	9%



28% said economic challenges

Ways to overcome the talent challenge across government

27% Focusing on career paths & upskilling

Focusing on career paths & upskilling	14%
We're not, but we should be	14%
Improving the government brand	13%
Aligning with employee values	12%
Offering non-traditional benefits & individualized rewards	10%
Not a current priority for us	10%

The #1 change that can help Government meet expectations

25%
Cross agency
& cross sector
collaboration

17%
Workforce upskilling

17%
Talent attraction & retention
strategies

15%
Expanding digital services

15%
Improved data
democratization & utilization

11%
Other



“Events like this are important because solving today’s healthcare challenges requires thought leadership—bringing together government, healthcare leaders, and solution providers at the same table. Collaboration across all stakeholders is essential to develop equitable, impactful solutions that address the industry’s most pressing needs.”

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Top 10

Job Titles

Chief Digital Officer

Chief Development Officer

Chief Executive Officer

Chief Financial Officer

Chief Information Officer

Chief Medical Information Officer

Chief Technology Officer

Chief Technology & Information Security Officer

Chief of Quality and System Performance

Vice President of Clinical Services & Health Equity and Chief Quality Officer

Organizations

Baycrest

Canadian Mental Health Association

Ontario Health

Ontario Workplace Safety and Insurance Board

Peterborough Regional Health Centre

St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton

Surrey Place

The Hospital for Sick Children

Trillium Health Partners

Unity Health Toronto

“This conference has been an incredible opportunity to bring together healthcare leaders, partners, and private sector innovators in our shared mission to advance healthcare. It’s been inspiring to connect with peers, engage with technology partners, and see our ideas grow through these meaningful dialogues.”

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health



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Chief Human Resources Officer/VP People Services, Trillium Health Partners



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Vice President, Product, Oracle Health

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Vice President and General
Manager, Oracle Health
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Kellie Scott
Vice-President of Consulting,
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Ben Goldberg
Global Industry Lead for
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John Olaonipekun
Director Consulting Services,
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Mike Cook
CEO, IDENTOS



Francis Baguio
Senior business consultant,
Greater Toronto Commercial
and Public Sector -
Healthcare, CGI



Keith Jansa
Chief Executive Officer,
Digital Governance Council

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Darcia Pope
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Rob Howe
Chief Information Officer,
Cambridge Memorial
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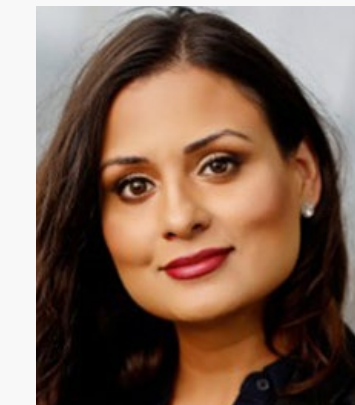
Noelle Coombe
Chief Information Officer
and Vice President of Digital
Health, The Centre for
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Executive Vice President & Chief
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Kimberley Hill
Director, Data Governance
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North York General Hospital



Skerdi Cerga
Chief Technology and
Security Officer, Trillium
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Emerson Rajaram
Chief Information Security
Officer, Wellington-Dufferin-
Guelph Public Health



Dr. Chris McIntosh
Scientist, Techna Institute,
University Health Network



Andrew Blair
Vice President, Corporate
Redevelopment & Facilities
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Tony Khouri
Vice President, Facilities,
Planning, Redevelopment &
Support Services, Michael
Garron Hospital



Clifford Harvey
Joint VP Redevelopment,
Grand River Hospital/ St.
Mary's General Hospital



Dr. Lawrence Rosenberg
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Ian McDermott
Vice President, Facilities and
Capital Development, Sinai
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Vice President, Strategic
Capital Investments and
Facilities, Fraser Health
Authority



Robert Hofmann
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Projects, West Lincoln
Memorial Hospital &
Juravinski Hospital Project,
Hamilton Health Sciences



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CEO, Loom Analytics



Jason Mafera
Field CTO - Healthcare, IGEL



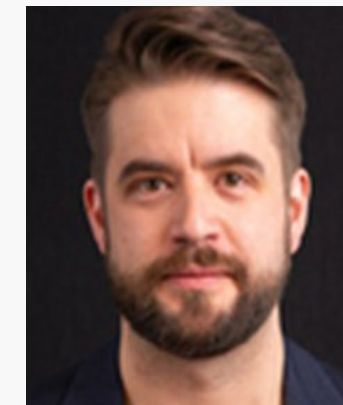
Brian Dennis
Principal Technologist for the
Public Sector, Akamai



Sachin Aggarwal
Chief Executive Officer, Think
Research



Julian Wong
Director of Partnerships,
Petal



Yan Desjardins-Beaurivage
Vice President of Product,
Petal



Frank Arcadi, P.Eng.
Executive Vice President of
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Brendon Bernard
Senior Economist, Indeed
Canada



Jean Aouad
Executive Vice President
Strategic Partnership, Petal
Health

“Events like today are absolutely critical because they bring together diverse perspectives and incentives. Each of us holds a unique piece of the puzzle - when we share our concerns, visions, and insights, we accelerate the digital transformation we all want to see.

While formal presentations are valuable, some of the most meaningful progress happens in those informal coffee break conversations where real dialogue flourishes. These exchanges are truly precious.”

McGill University Health Centre





“These events are vital because they foster communication between healthcare providers, technology companies, and government leaders. They create an environment for sharing ideas, collaborating, and turning concepts into real-world solutions—that’s where the true value lies.”

Oracle Health Canada

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