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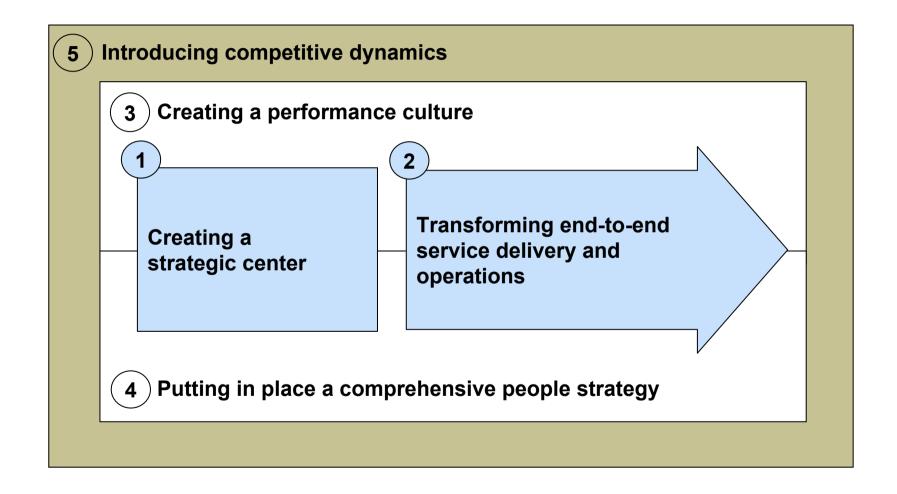
# Transforming Public Sector Performance – Lessons Learnt from Advanced Countries and the Private Sector

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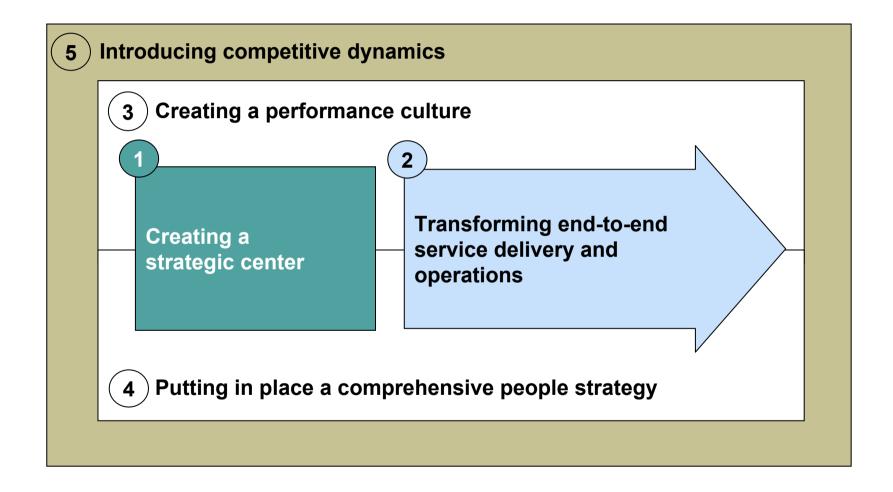
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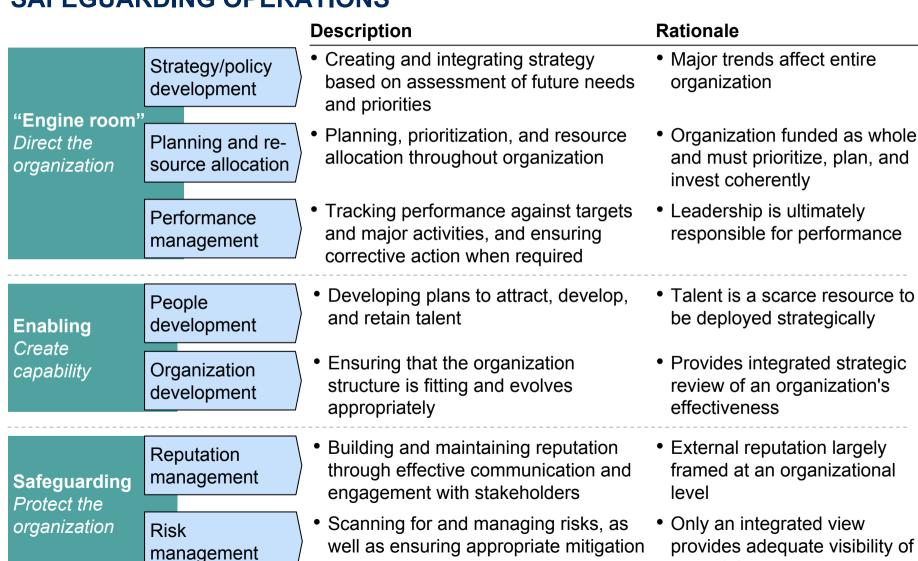
## OUR EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS 5 LEVERS FOR TRANSFORMING PUBLIC-SECTOR PERFORMANCE



## LEVER 1: CREATING A STRATEGIC CENTER THAT SETS A FRAMEWORK FOR PERFORMANCE AND PROVIDES AN IMPETUS FOR CHANGE



# THE CENTER OF GOVERNMENTS, MINISTRIES, AND DELIVERY ORGANIZATIONS SHOULD FOCUS ON DIRECTING, ENABLING, AND SAFEGUARDING OPERATIONS



potential cases

# THE FUNDING OF U.K. GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS IS TIED TO HIGH-PROFILE PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS: PUBLIC SERVICE AGREEMENTS (PSAs)

Elements of PSAs

**Example: department for education and skills** 

**Aim** 

Help build competitive economy and inclusive society by creating opportunities for every person to learn; releasing potential in people...achieving excellence in standards of education and levels of skills

Objective 2: ...

Target 2:...

**Objectives** 

#### **Objective 1:**

Safeguard children and young people, improve their lives and general well-being, and break cycles of deprivation

Objective 3:...

Performance targets

Floor

target

#### Target 1:

- Improve childrens' communication, social, and emotional development so that by 2008, 50% of children are reasonably developed at the end of foundation stage
- Reduce inequalities between the level of development achieved by children in the 20% of most disadvantaged areas and rest of England

Target 3:...

Responsibility

Secretary of state for education and skills is responsible for delivery of this PSA. Within the overall PSA, secretary of state for work and pensions is jointly responsible for the first target

## THE U.K. PRIME MINISTER DEFINED 4 AREAS OF FOCUS AND SET UP A DELIVERY UNIT TO DRIVE PRIORITIES IN THESE AREAS

#### Roles of the U.K. prime minister's delivery unit (PMDU)

#### Report on performance

- Report directly to prime minister (PM)
- Facilitate fact-based dialogue between PM and departments on progress against targets
- Collect and analyze robust performance data, producing scorecards for departments' past performance against targets, and assessing likelihood of delivery

## Drive delivery in priority areas

- Identify issues and root causes preventing delivery of targets
- Support development of delivery plans against PSAs
- Prioritize resources against key targets and issues
- Work collaboratively with departments to accelerate the delivery of specific frontline projects and pilots

## Build capabilities by role modeling best practices

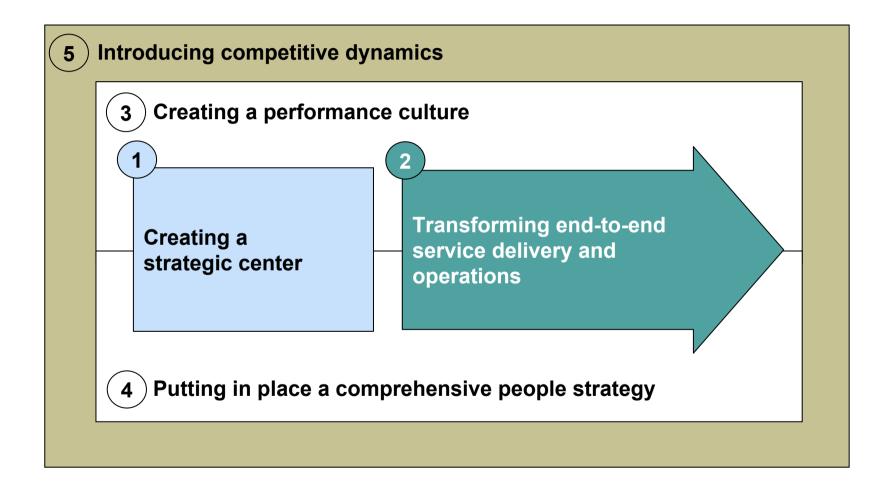
- Build skills for civil servants by working alongside them
- Demonstrate use and power of data in departments
- Model new ways of working to drive delivery of priorities
- From 2006, programmatic approach to capability reviews of government departments

Specific focus on the PM's priorities in four departments: health, education, transport, and crime

### WITHIN PRIORITY DEPARTMENTS, THE PMDU FOCUSED ON A SUBSET

**OF TARGETS** PMDU focus **Departments PSA** targets PMDU focus Joint PMDU/ treasury focus Heart disease mortality Six priority targets Treasury-only focus Cancer mortality Health Waiting list 11 other targets Waiting times A&E Primary care access Other Inputs: nurse and doctor numbers Selective 11-year-old literacy and numeracy focus on Four priority targets • 14-year-old math and English targets key to **Education**  More than 5 A-C GCSEs prioritization and skills Truancy 15 other targets of effort and Others association of Inputs: teacher numbers and recruitment PMDU with - Specialist school performance PM's personal agenda Three priority targets Overall crime and breakdown by type Home office Likelihood of being a victim Four other targets Asylum applications Other Two priority targets Inputs: police numbers **Transport** Five other targets Rail patronage Rail punctuality 51 priority targets Other

# LEVER 2: TRANSFORMING END-TO-END PERFORMANCE BY PURSUING LEAN OPERATIONS AND A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO PROCUREMENT REFORM



## LEAN TRANSFORMATIONS DRAW ON LESSONS FROM REDUCING WASTE IN MANUFACTURING

Eight types of waste, and examples from the public sector

8 Intellect
Failure to make full
use of frontline staff
expertise

1 Overproduction Overly long policy documents

2 Transportation
Excess journeys from
prison to court

7 Motion
Excess
movement of tax
assessments
within an office

3 Inventory
Excess
military spares

6 Rework
Repeating
benefits
assessments

5 Overprocessing
Nonessential checks of immigration documents

Waiting

Idle time for doctors

and operating

theaters

Areas in which we have applied this approach **Defense** Health Tax Welfare **Borders Policy** 

#### THREE EXAMPLES OF TRANSFORMING OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE

#### **Key levers**

Tax

 Productivity improvement in end-to-end back-office activities

#### **Potential for impact**

- Efficiency 75% increase in returns processed per full-time equivalent (FTE)
- Effectiveness up to 60% reduction in error rates
- Customer service more than 75% reduction in lead times

Hospitals

- Capacity utilization in a context requiring simultaneous and sequential involvement of:
  - Multiple professional groups
  - Customers

- 50% increase in utilization of operating theaters
- Lead time for CT scans reduced from six to two days
- Approach applied in multiple hospitals and functions in different countries

Defense

 Productivity improvement in end-to-end defense logistics  Significant performance improvement in efficiency and effectiveness

## IMPACT OF APPLYING LEAN METHODOLOGIES TO PROCESSING TAX RETURNS FOR A G8 COUNTRY'S TAX AUTHORITY

#### **Efficiency**

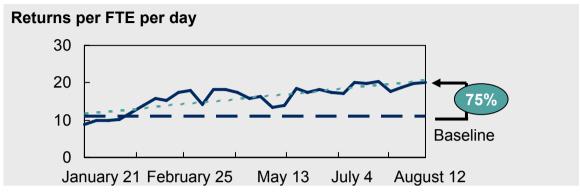
Productivity improvements have been sustained

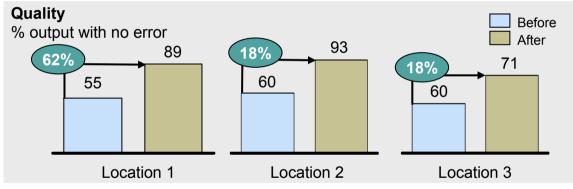
#### **Effectiveness**

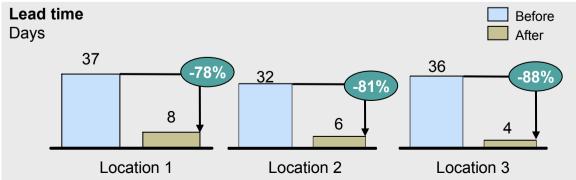
Real-time checks within teams have delivered quick and significant improvements in quality

#### **Customer service**

Continuous-flow-based processes have reduced lead time significantly



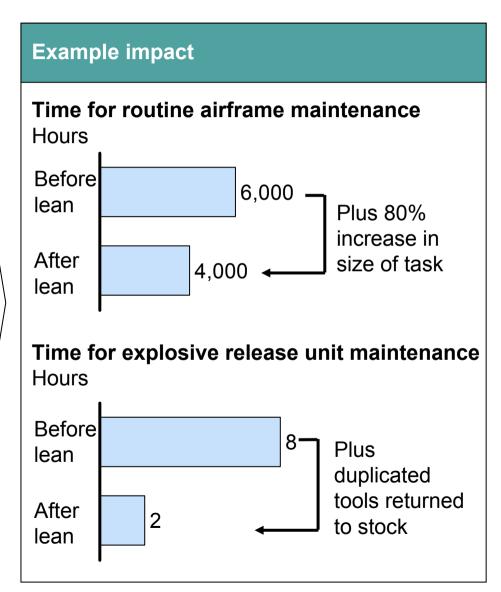




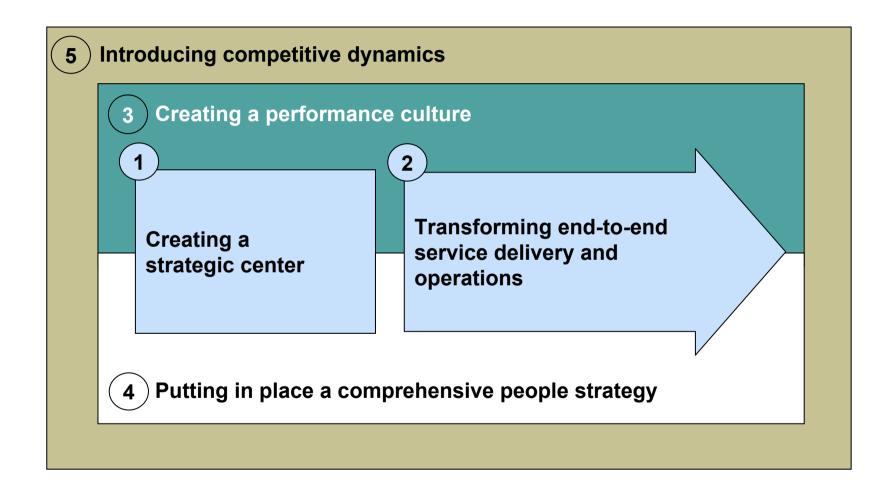
## IMPACT OF INTRODUCING LEAN THINKING TO MAJOR DEFENSE MINISTRY

#### **Example improvements**

- Combined upgrade and repair activities into single location and undertook them simultaneously
- Work planned; technicians given prepared kits with all the parts needed during scheduled shift
- Installed lean "pulse lines" in each area
- Collocation of major supplier, repair facility, and end users (pilots)
- Workers encouraged to highlight issues and design processes in their areas



## LEVER 3: CREATING A PERFORMANCE CULTURE BASED ON STREAMLINED, EFFECTIVE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT



#### **KEY ELEMENTS OF A PERFORMANCE CULTURE**

#### Effective performance management must ...

#### **Metrics**



... cascade a focused set of balanced, matched metrics linked to key drivers of performance

#### **Targets**



... create opportunity-based stretch targets owned by those delivering them

#### Reviews



... orchestrate fact-based performance reviews to help leaders and managers "face reality together"

#### Links



... link performance and health processes of business and people management so they are complementary and mutually reinforcing

#### **Rhythm**



... drive performance and health processes with the sequence, timing, and pace to allow the organization to be directed and operated effectively and efficiently

#### Culture

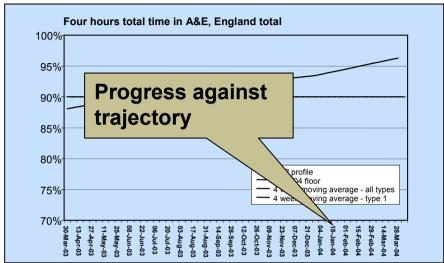


... ensure that the performance management system acts in concert with other interventions to create a powerful, positive mechanism for cultural evolution

## TAKING A COMPREHENSIVE VIEW OF PROGRESS IN ACHIEVING KEY TARGETS

**EXAMPLE** 

Focus of progress reports



Performance has been sustained at 90% since July, but it is now static and increasingly off trajectory

An analysis of progress

National aggregated progress

Hethod for dealing with the ches now clear, public consultation completed, and final cision made

Evaluation of new initiative for improving processes in every department currently underway

#### What will success look like in six months? Average performance 95% and rising No department below 85%; no more than 10% departments below 90% Incentive system operational, and presented in the system operational. √its evaluated for maintaining Clear arrangements astablis Clear measurable perf Con statement of what ible late brea success looks like Res

#### **Action required** Urgent Communicate the 98% decision clearly to the front line Agree on performance ratings with audit body for 2003-04 and 2004-05, agree on any other incentives needed in 2004, and communicate these to the front line Plan and roll out effective nagement intervention system Manage performance of ne departments against trajectories through tb ce: continue reporting at unit erformers Steps necessary to ce and these actions achieve success at prime minister's will agree upon further actions, including a risk analysis, at that stage

## PUTTING IN PLACE EFFECTIVE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT AT THE DELIVERY LEVEL HAS A POWERFUL IMPACT

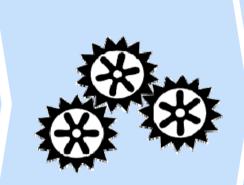
**HOSPITAL EXAMPLE** 

## Provide the right data at the right time

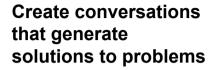
# LOS by diagnosis LOS Readmission rate LOS by ward

- Weekly length of stay (LOS) scorecards showing ward performance
- LOS by consultant to show differences in practices
- Ward LOS by patient to focus on those with long stays

Ensure the right conversations and linkages



- Weekly ward meetings led by head of nursing
- Monthly ward monitor to measure quality
- Transparent discharge dates to improve coordination



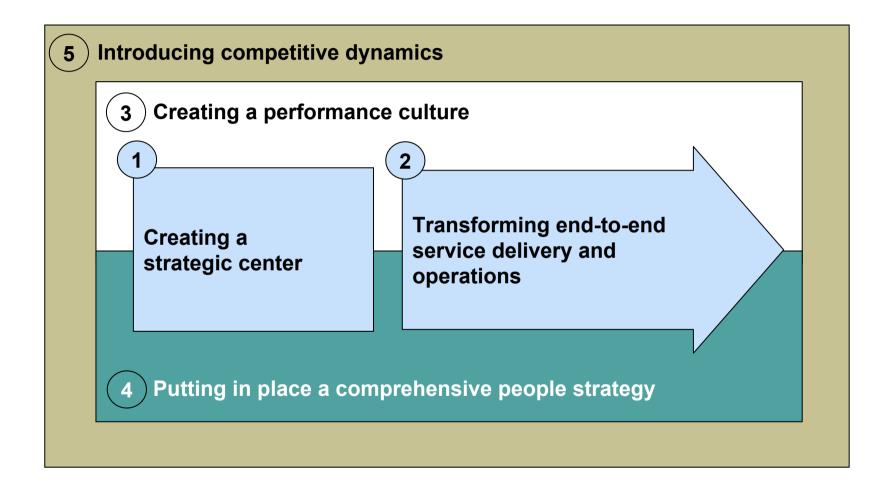


- Collaborate on solutions for patients with long stays
- Remove key system blocks
- Focus on differences in medical pathways and practices

- LOS reduced from 11 to 9 days in general medicine wards within the program's first 100 days
- In the same period, admissions rose from 33 to 37 per week

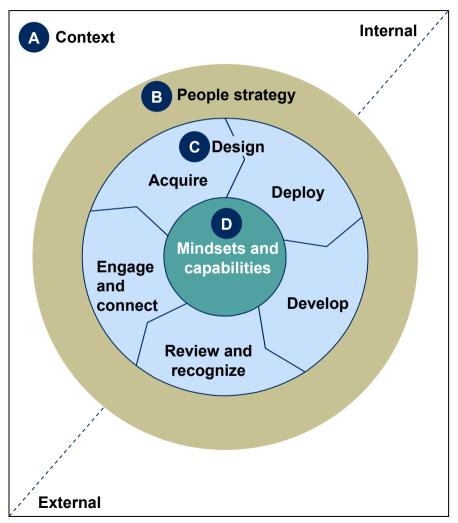
Align culture, mindsets, and behaviors

# LEVER 4: PUTTING IN PLACE A COMPREHENSIVE PEOPLE STRATEGY THAT ENSURES THE RIGHT SKILLS ARE IN PLACE THROUGHOUT THE ORGANIZATION



## TAKE AN INTEGRATED APPROACH TO DEVELOP SKILLS AND CAPABILITIES

#### **Framework**



#### Scope

#### Context

- External: environmental context/developments
- Internal: organizational strategy and culture

#### **B** People strategy

· Prioritized management choices

#### C Design

#### **Acquire**

· Recruitment, selection, and induction

#### **Deploy**

- Job rotation
- Mobility
- Allocation to roles and succession planning

#### **Develop**

- Formal learning program
- · On-the-job development and mentoring
- Career paths

#### Review and recognize

- KPI and target setting
- Performance review against targets and potential
- Pay, rewards, and consequence management

#### **Engage and connect**

- Commitment building
- Innovation and knowledge sharing

#### Mindsets and capabilities

Implementation and execution of talent management

## PERSPECTIVES ON TALENT MANAGEMENT THROUGHOUT THE PUBLIC SECTOR OF A G8 COUNTRY

**DISCUSSION STARTER** 

## Recruitment and selection

- Strengths in attracting and retaining talented people
- Enduring attractions of the work
- Strong nonfinancial rewards

## Performance management

- Lack of transparency and differentiation
- Limited understanding of what "good" looks like
- Mixed will/skill for tough conversations

## Talent management and succession

- Tension between individual choice and managed market
- Lack of clarity on priorities and pivotal roles
- Mixed quality and usage of succession plans

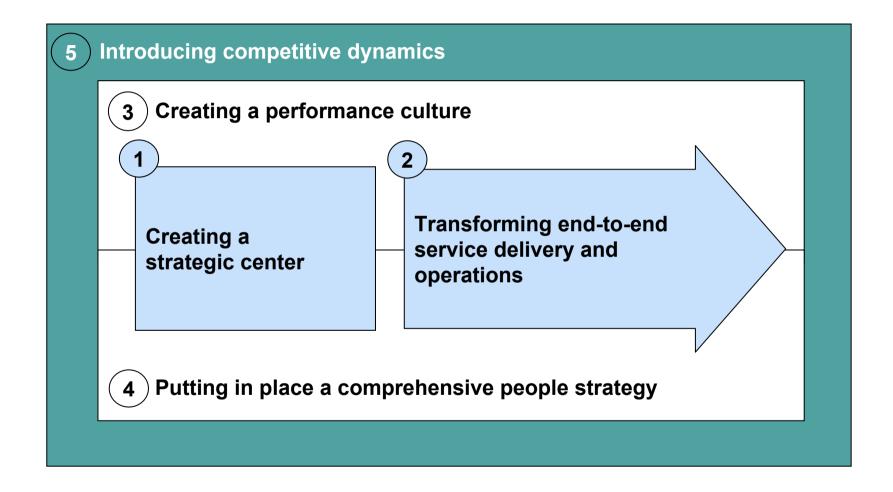
#### Leadership, development, and training

- Limited career guidance
- Limited coherence between formal and on-the-job development

#### **Broader issues**

- Mixed quality of HR function
- Insufficient high-quality time spent by top management on strategic talent issues
- Limited link between people and business strategies

#### LEVER 5: INTRODUCING COMPETITIVE DYNAMICS THROUGH RELATIVE APPLICATION OF INTERNAL OR EXTERNAL COMPETITIVE MECHANISMS



## THERE IS A SPECTRUM OF OPTIONS FOR INTRODUCING COMPETITIVE DYNAMICS

#### Use internal Use private-sector competition competition Mechanism Effective Competition Competition Outsourcing Privatization performance between between services management public-sector providers providers from public and private sectors **Examples** Aggressive Creating a Creating a Outsourcing Implementing services such full or partial targets and separate competitive privatization of commissioner/ market between consequence as IT, repair state-owned provider role (e.g., public and contracts, or management call centers. Introducing enterprises primary healthprivate hospitals or schools with peer group care managers competition for competition who commission contracts and different hospitals) Allowing members effective of the public to management of ongoing choose services

(e.g., schools to

attend)

relationships

## SEVERAL CRITICAL ELEMENTS CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUCCESS OF A CONTESTABLE COMPETITIVE SYSTEM

| Key elements for success   | Rationale  |
|--|--|
| <ul> <li>Correct identification of appropriate market<br/>mechanisms for given system (e.g., public-<br/>public vs. private-public competition)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Historical and external circumstances may<br/>make certain types of market dynamics more<br/>appropriate than others</li> </ul> |
| Plurality of accessible providers  | <ul> <li>Fundamental requirement to allow competition and consumer choice</li> </ul>   |
| <ul> <li>Independent commissioning based on provider performance</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Stimulates provider competition</li> <li>Drives provider performance by enforcing<br/>service delivery contracts</li> </ul>     |
| <ul> <li>Flexible funding flows (e.g., payment by results)</li> </ul>  | Ensures that resources follow performance  |
| Effective regulatory mechanisms  | <ul> <li>Instills financial discipline</li> <li>Sets standards for service quality and performance metrics</li> </ul>                    |
| <ul> <li>Failure management: opportunity for<br/>market entry and exit</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Critical to allow failures to drop out in a<br/>healthy market to make room for new players</li> </ul>                          |