

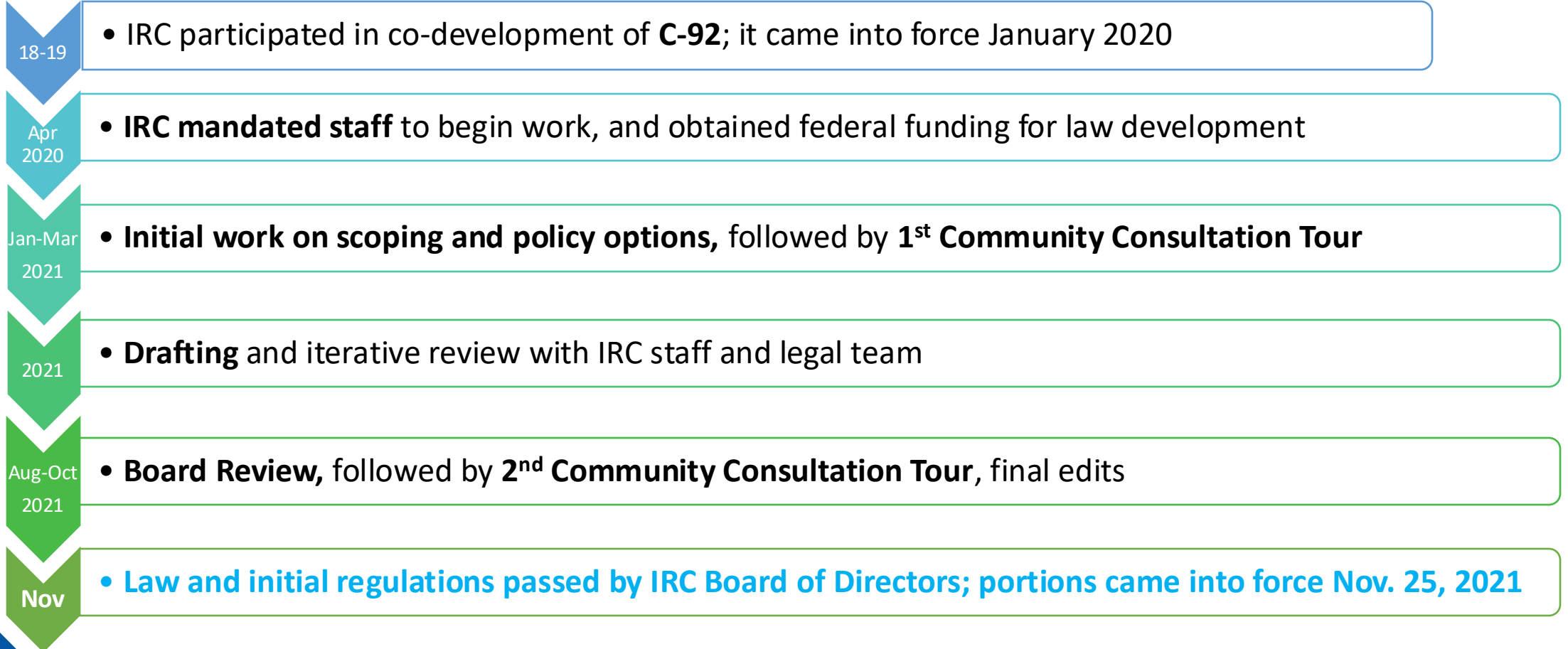
Inuvialuit Qitunrariit Inuuniarnikkun Maligaksat



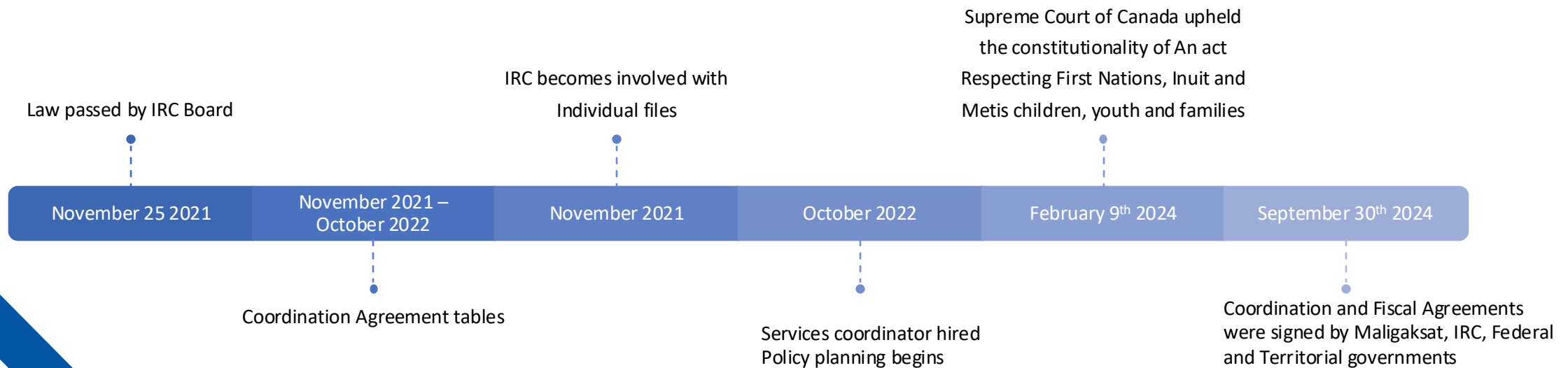
The Law

- Exercises the **inherent right** of Inuvialuit to govern Inuvialuit children, youth, and families, as recognized in UNDRIP and in the Federal *Act respecting First Nations, Inuit and Metis children, youth and families* (known as C-92).
- Built using specific feedback heard during **consultation with IRC communities**.
- Title developed by Elders representing all dialects. *Inuvialuit Qitunrariit Inuuniarnikkun Maligaksat* means Inuvialuit family way of living law.
- Creates a new Inuvialuit organization, **Maligaksat** (in context, this means Inuvialuit family way of living program).

Development of the Law



Evolution of Maligaksat



Principles: s. 1



- a. To **ensure cultural continuity** for each Inuvialuit child and youth, which includes serving each child and youth in their home community to the greatest extent possible;
- b. To **enhance the supports** available to enable Inuvialuit families to thrive, reducing the need for intervention;
- c. To **improve information sharing** for fully informed service provision, advocacy, and decision-making; and
- d. To **grow the exercise of Inuvialuit jurisdiction** in child and family services at our own pace, in our own way.

Growing Inuvialuit Jurisdiction

- **Responsible, flexible approach**

- Inuvialuit role in this sector will grow over time.
- The IRC law has a role for both the **growth** of Inuvialuit services, and the **improvement** of external services.
- Regulations can cover all topics and will increase Inuvialuit legal role over time.
- Law reaches Inuvialuit in all locations, but does not assume that Inuvialuit services will be first responders in all locations as that would not be realistic.

Inuvialuit services

Maligaksat services will grow over time, especially in ISR.

Prioritizing *Prevention/Wellness* files.

Advocating on *Protection* files.

External services

Will have new obligations, to improve accountability and cultural connections.

****Law and regulations will apply to them (similar to application of minimum federal standards in C-92)**.**

Maligaksat Services

- Primarily responsible for implementing the law
 - Advocacy on individual cases
 - Family Wellness Planning
 - Cultural Connections (for children in care)
 - Educating communities and families



What's next?

- Transitioning NWT Wellness (VSA) files to Maligaksat
- Increase capacity (immediate future, minimum 4 additional staff)
- Grow team and infrastructure throughout ISR first, then in Urban centers where large Inuvialuit population resides
- Fully implement Wellness and Advocacy services
- Educate jurisdictions on Maligaksat and implementation
- Build toward Protection Services

Thank you

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