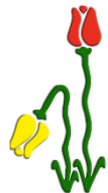
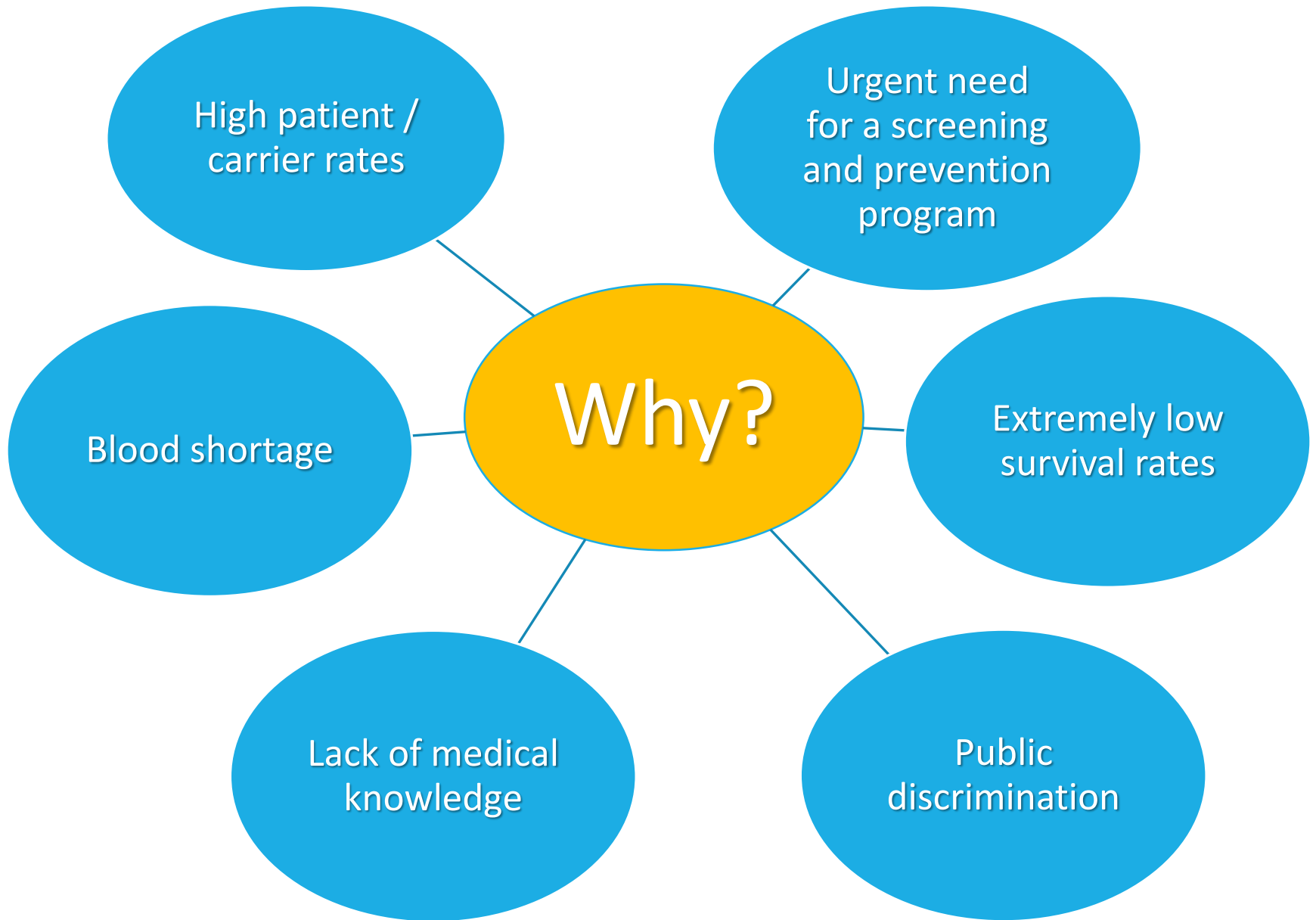


PANCYPREAN THALASSEMIA ASSOCIATION

**Involvement of PTA in the development
and continuation of the Programme**

Miltos Mitiadous
President of the PTA Board





High patient /
carrier rates

Urgent need
for a screening
and prevention
program

Why?

Blood shortage

Extremely low
survival rates

Lack of medical
knowledge

Public
discrimination

Milestones

1969

First parents' gatherings to create an association

1977

Official registration of the Association as an NGO

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Founding Blood Coordination and Information Committee in collaboration with doctors

1981

Establishing Nicosia Thalassemia Center in collaboration with Ministry of Health and Cyprus Church

1986

Founding TIF with other patients and parents associations in Cyprus, Greece, the UK, the USA and Italy

2018

Reactivation of National Thalassemia Committee

Founding TIF

PTA is a founding member of the Thalassemia International Federation which has brought a massive impact on Thalassemia and thalasseemics worldwide.

TIF is one of the World Health Organization's associates and has recently been awarded for it's work by WHO.

PTA is represented to TIF Board by its founder and TIF founder and current President Mr Panos Egglezos and Ms Elena Mylona who is serving as General Secretary.



Promoting blood donation

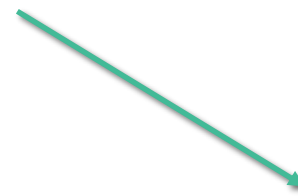
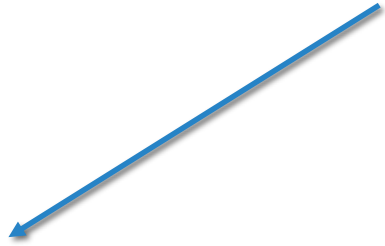
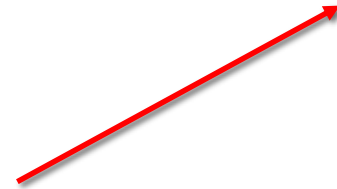
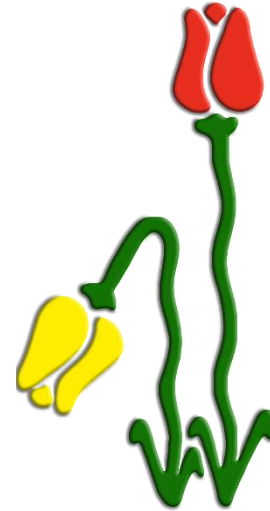
The need to secure blood transfusions for people with thalassemia has prompted PTA to set up, with the cooperation of our doctors and medical staff, the Blood Coordination and Information Committee which, in cooperation with the Ministry of Health, has established Cyprus as a pioneer in the field of voluntary blood donation.



In recent years and with the constant pressure from PTA, the Ministry of Health set up the Blood Center that is responsible for organizing the blood donations, collecting the blood, applying the standard and molecular tests and serving the local Blood banks.



Connecting





Our Activities

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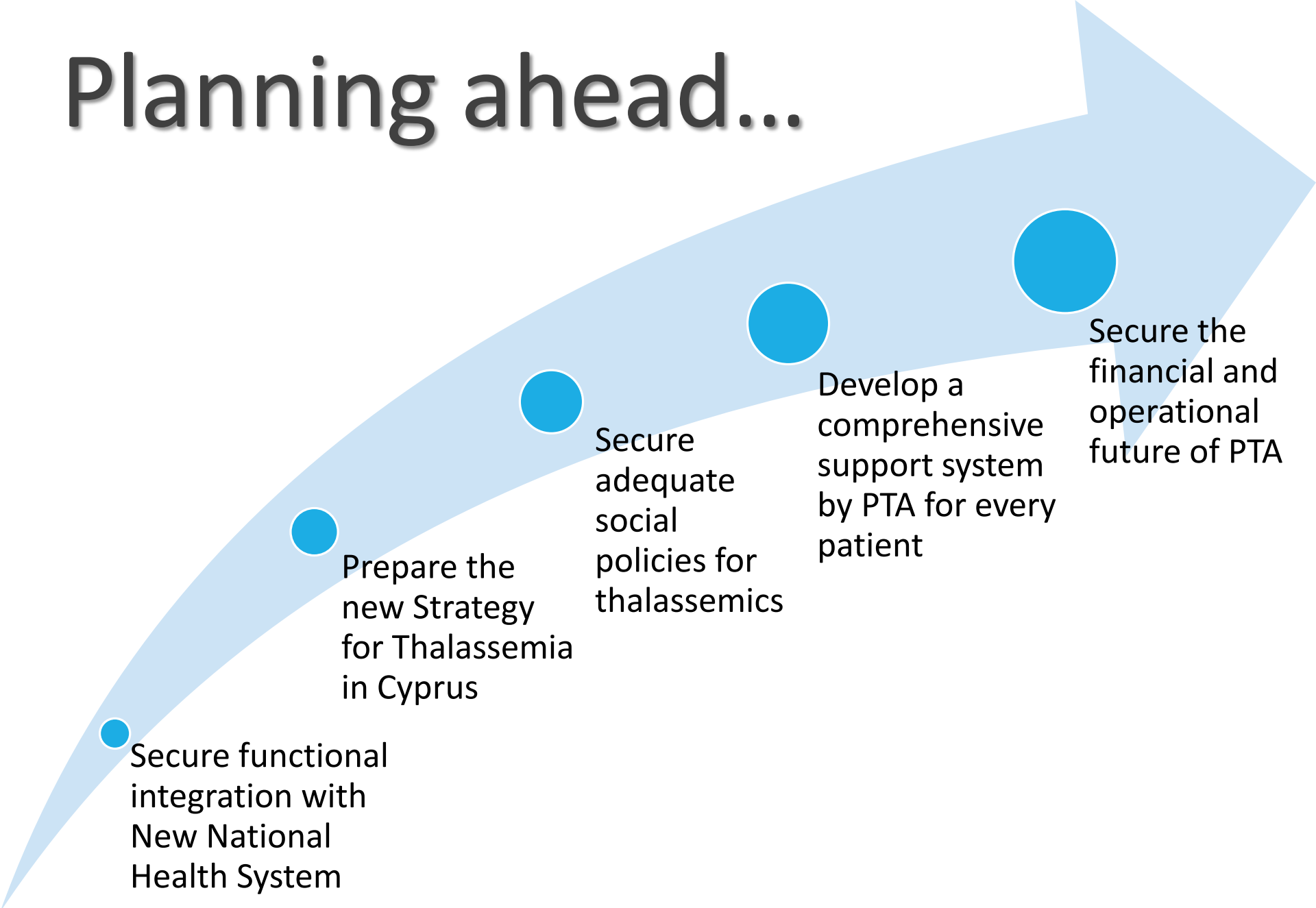
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Planning ahead...



Secure functional integration with New National Health System

Prepare the new Strategy for Thalassemia in Cyprus

Secure adequate social policies for thalassemics

Develop a comprehensive support system by PTA for every patient

Secure the financial and operational future of PTA

Thank you for your patience...

Miltos Miltiadous
President of the PTA Board

