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**Person Centered Planning
Better Lives, Not Just Better Paper**

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Introducing the Core Concept:

IMPORTANT TO
AND
IMPORTANT FOR
AND
THE BALANCE BETWEEN THEM

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Important *TO*

What is important to a person includes those things in life which help us to be satisfied, content, comforted, fulfilled, and happy. It includes:

- People to be with /relationships
- Status and control
- Things to do and places to go
- Rituals or routines
- Rhythm or pace of life
- Things to have

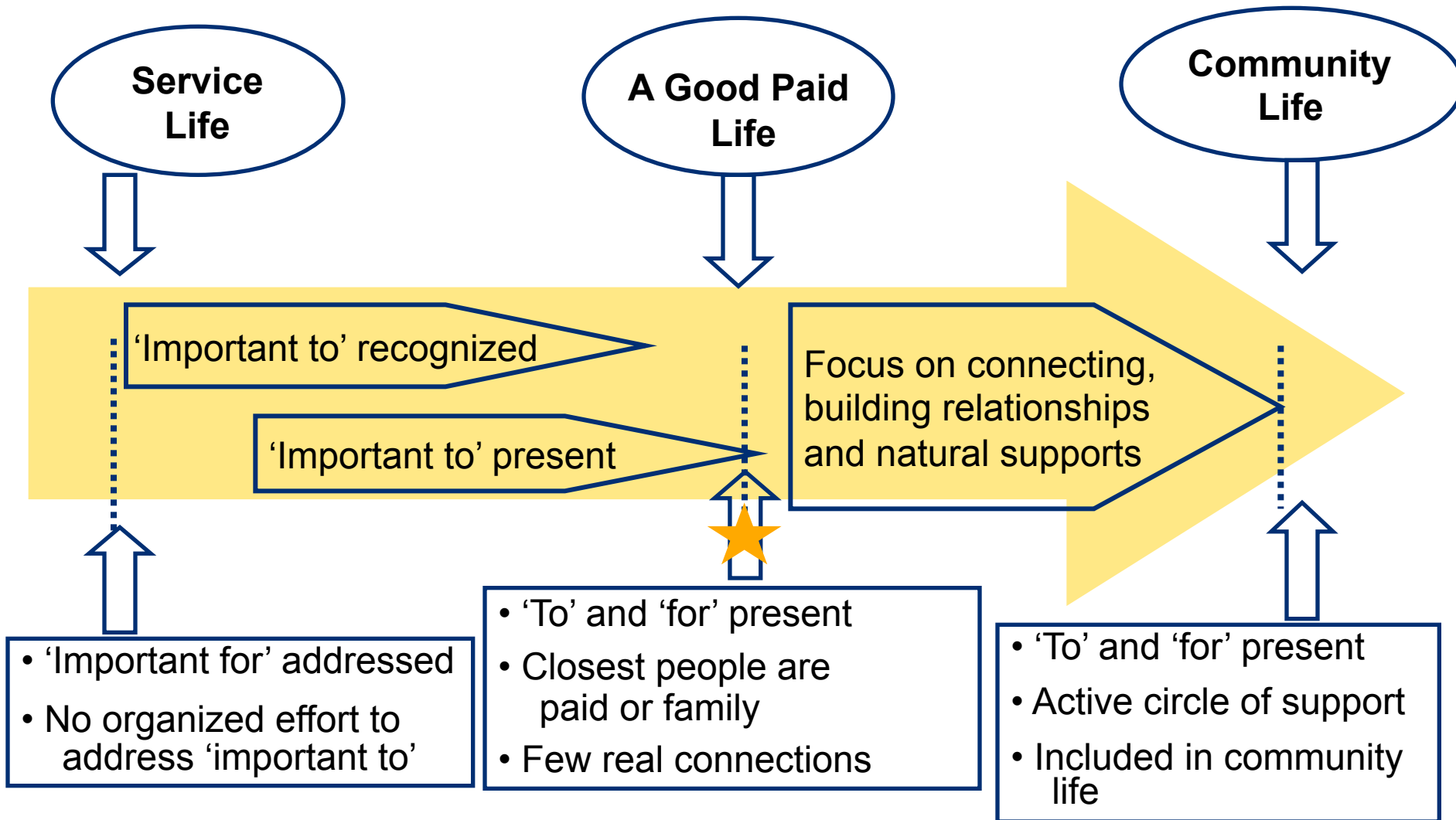
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Important *FOR* (Part One):

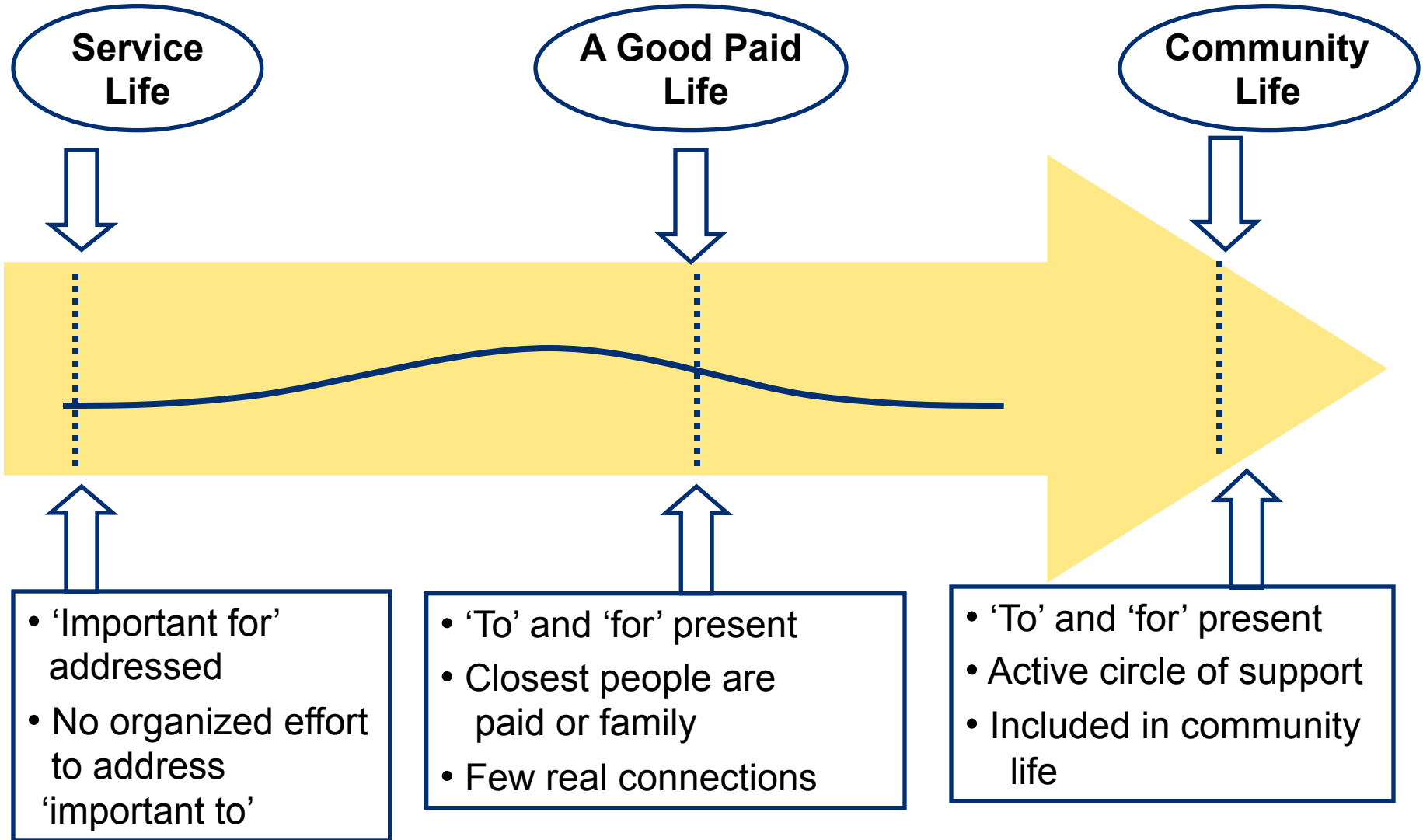
- Issues of *health*:
 - Prevention of illness
 - Treatment of illness / medical conditions
 - Promotion of wellness (e.g.: diet, exercise)
- Issues of *safety*:
 - Environment
 - Well being ---- physical and emotional
 - Free from fear

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Moving from Service Life to Community Life



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