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NATIVE CHILDREN

PANEL ON THE ROLE OF THE FEDERAL
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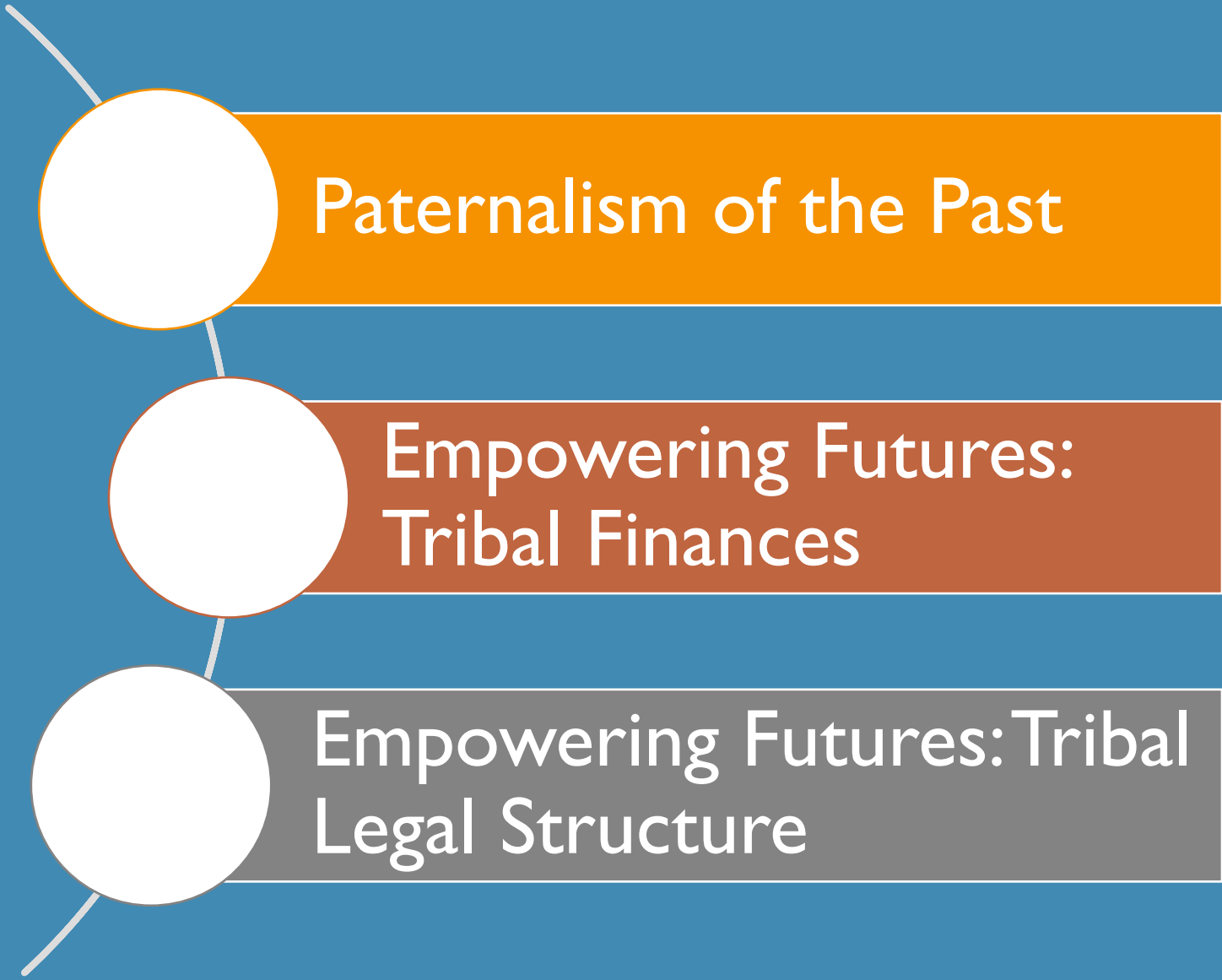
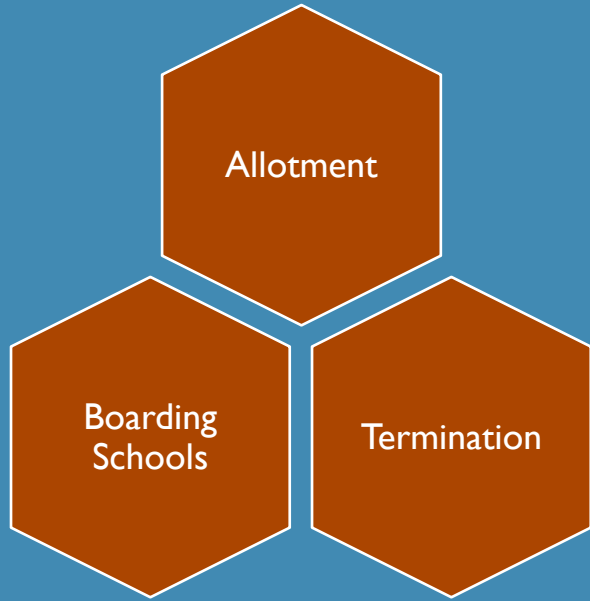
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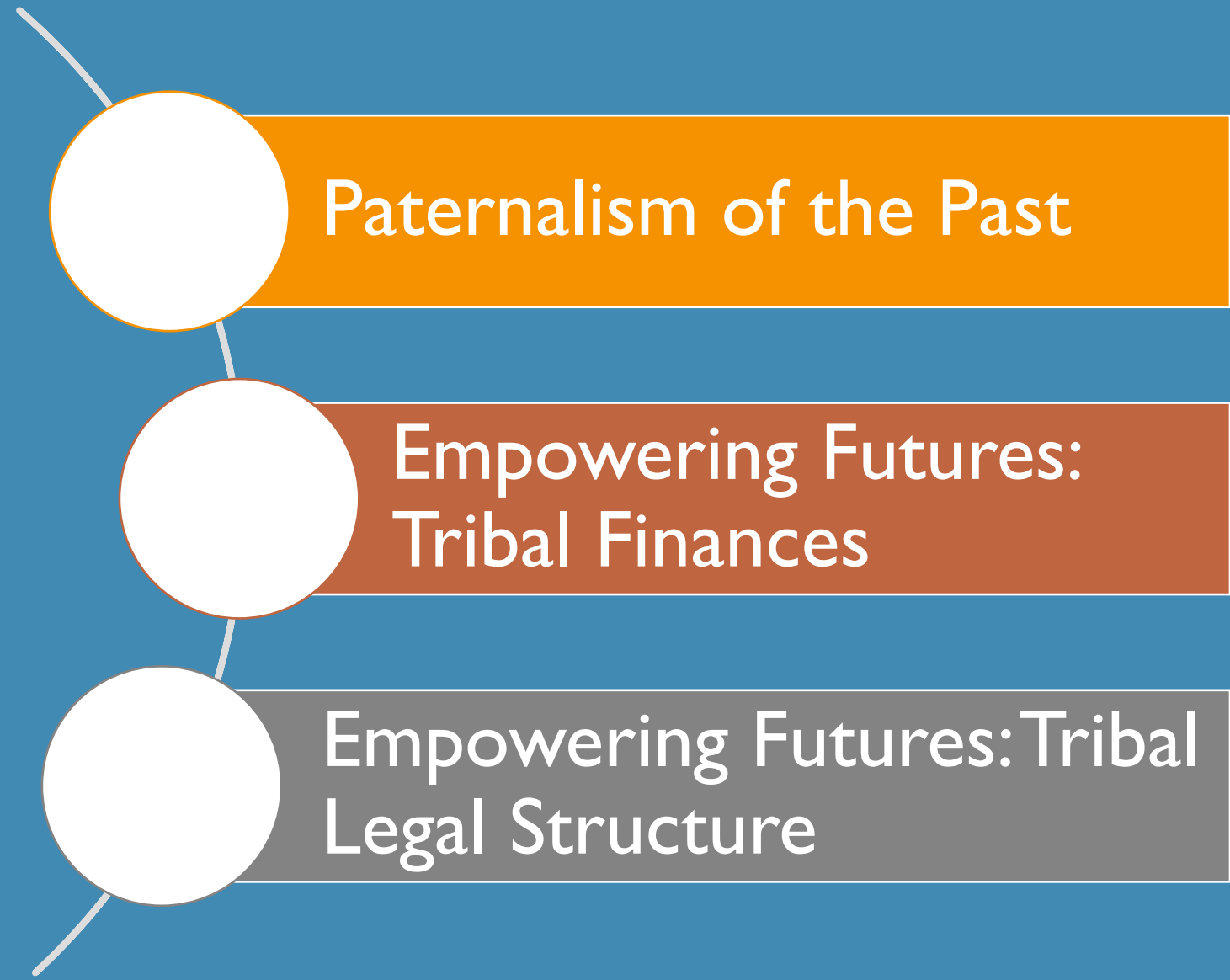
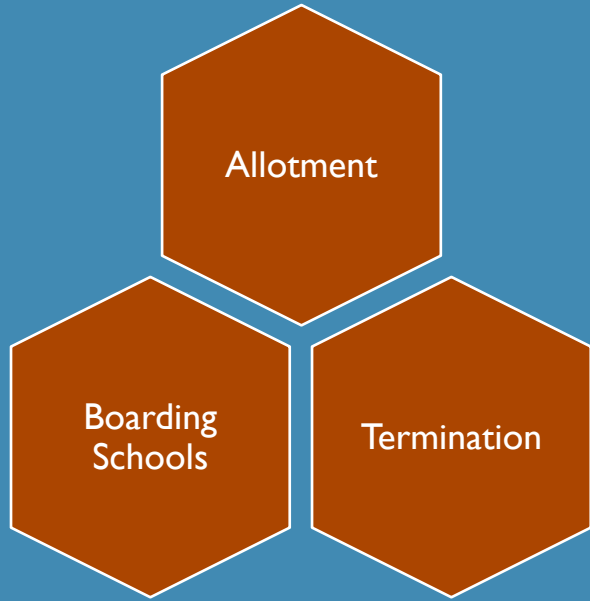


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Paternalism of the Past

Two Forms

Paternalism in Value(s)

"what"

determining for native people what they ought to value

Paternalism in Power

"how"

locating program administration or decision-making authority outside Indian Country



Empowering Futures: Tribal Finances

Increased Funding

- Full gov. terms

Infrastructure building

- Short & Long Term Investment

Increased Independence

- Flexible Funding
- Less Admin. Burden



Empowering Futures: Tribal Legal Structure

Tribal Self-Determination

- Promoting Tribal Control
- Building Trust and Relationships Across Jurisdictions
- Removing Tribal Power
- Unnecessary Federal Oversight
- Increasing State Involvement

Delegitimizing or
Disempowering Tribes