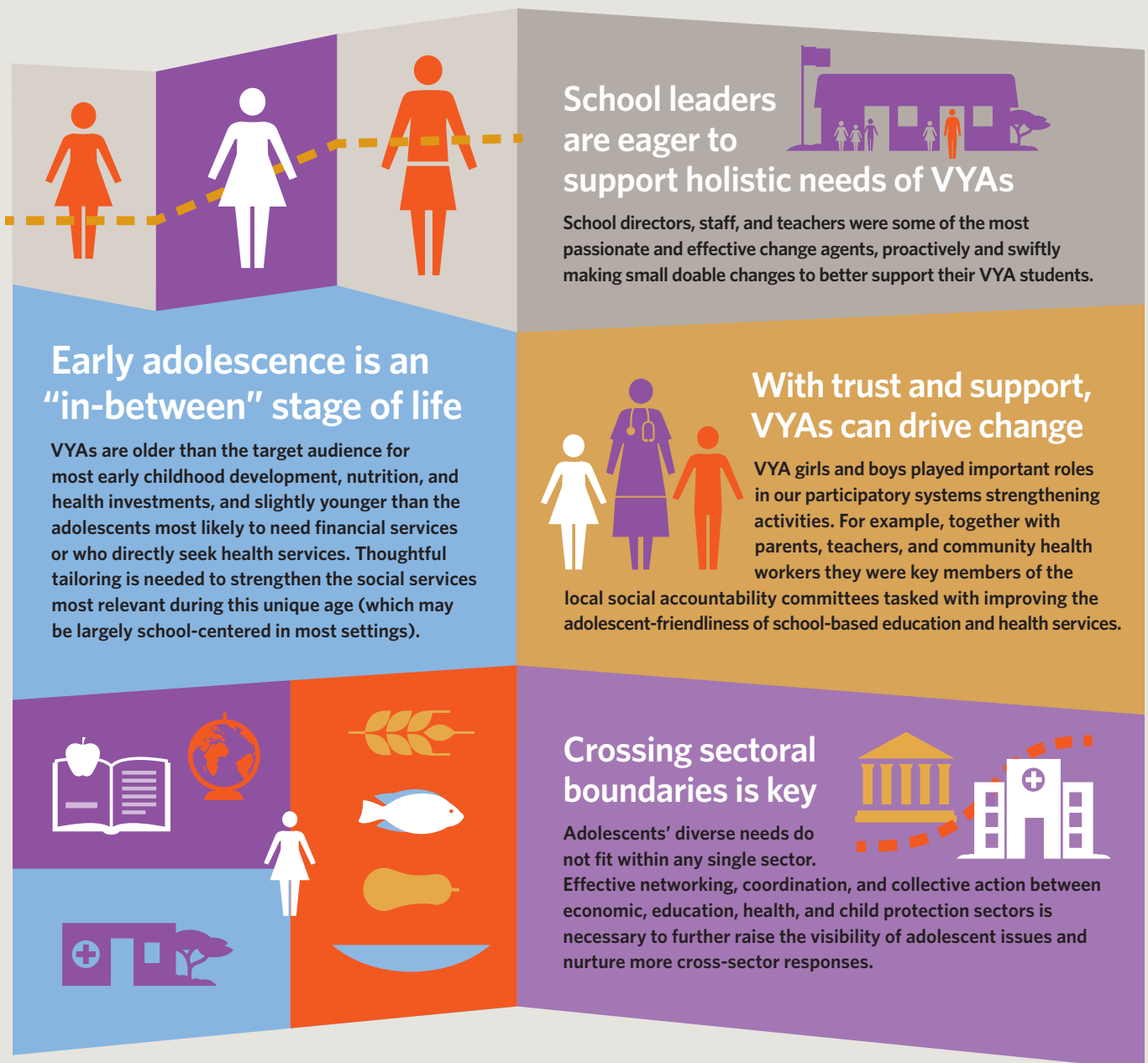


ACT WITH HER: Forging Panoramic Pathways with Girls from Adolescence to Adulthood

Strengthening Local Systems for Very Young Adolescents: Perspectives from the Frontline

Act With Her is a five-year program in Ethiopia that partners with girls to forge the health, education, and social pathways they need to thrive during the transition to adulthood. We engage girls, boys, and their parents or caregivers in group sessions over 10 months, and in some areas also work over a longer period to catalyze shifts in social and gender norms and in the adolescent-friendliness of key systems and services.

Designed to separately serve very young adolescents (VYAs) and older adolescents, with a learning period built in between, we engaged the first cohort of VYAs from March 2019 through January 2020, with over 13,000 girls and boys participating in over 500 groups. Through implementing the related local and light-touch systems strengthening, **WE LEARNED:**



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