



SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION



Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder
Mental Illness
Physical Disabilities
Specific Learning Difficulties
Speech & Language Impairment

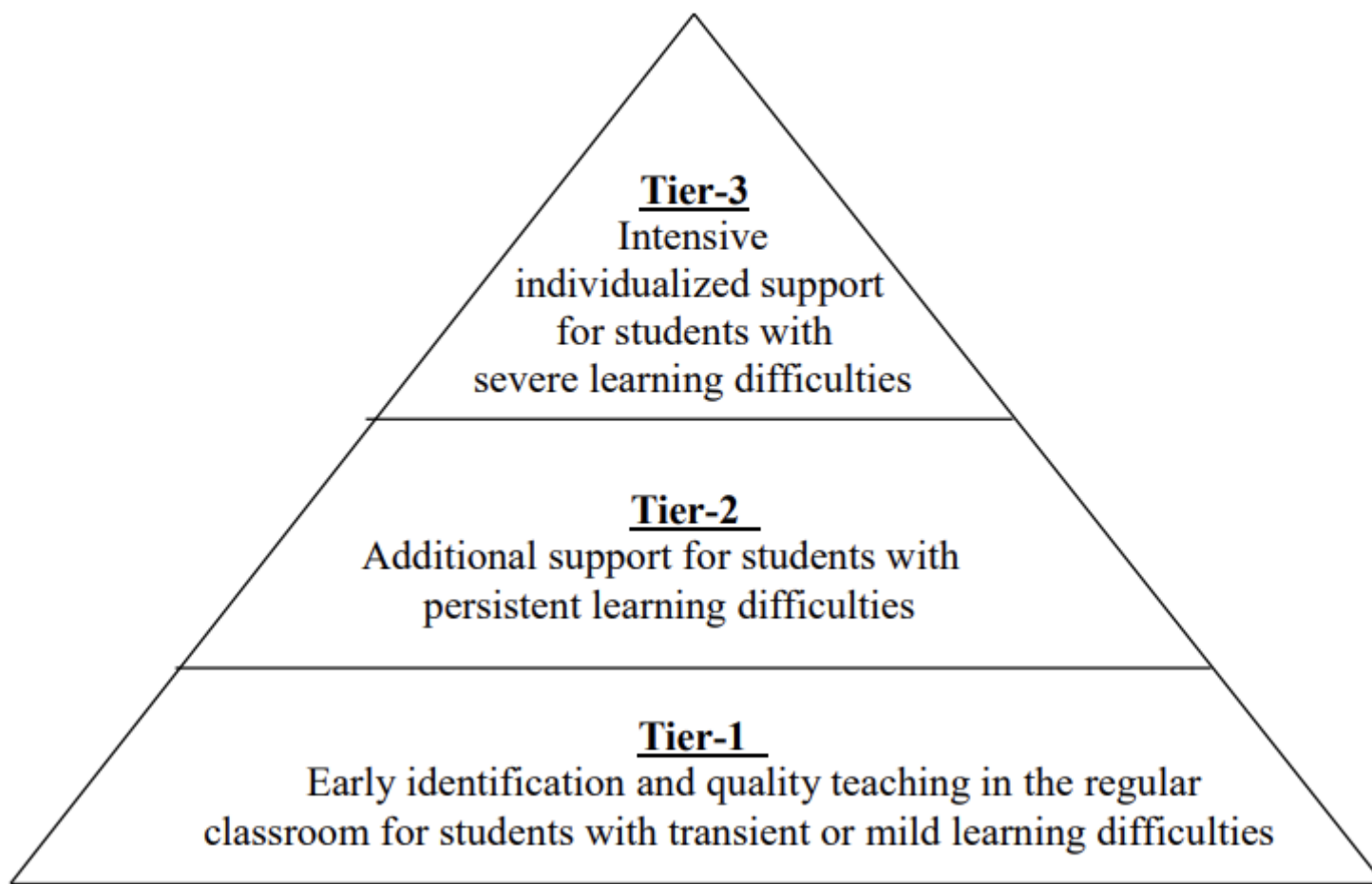
Autism Spectrum Disorder
Hearing Impairment/Hearing Loss
Intellectual Disability
Multiple Disabilities
Visual Impairment

Multiple Disabilities, including Cerebral Palsy
*Para School Organisations for Students with ADHD and Dyslexia

Current Practices and Policies

THREE-TIER SUPPORT MODEL

3-Tier Support Model



https://sense.edb.gov.hk/uploads/page/integrated-education/download-area-and-related-links/ie_guide_en.pdf

INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

Students with SEN are encouraged to receive education in ordinary schools as far as possible

In schools: Student Support Team (SST) to motivate teachers to adopt the 3 tier model to cater for students' needs

Programme: EDB offers Basic, Advanced, and Thematic (BAT) courses to meet the training needs of the in-service teachers

SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS COORDINATOR (SENCO)

Hong Kong EDB provided each public sector ordinary primary and secondary school with SENCO to lead the SST, implement the inclusive education and enhance the effectiveness of special education

SPECIAL EDUCATION

With the assessment and recommendation of specialists and the consent of parents, students with more severe or multiple disabilities could be admitted to aided special schools for intensive support services

Category	Total No. of Schools	No. of Schools with a Boarding Section
School for Children with Intellectual Disability (ID) ¹	43	17
School for Children with Visual Impairment (VI)	2	2
School for Children with Hearing Impairment (HI)	1	1
School for Children with Physical Disability (PD)	7	4
School for Social Development (SSD)	8	(7) ²
Hospital School ³	1	-
Total:	62	24 / (7)²

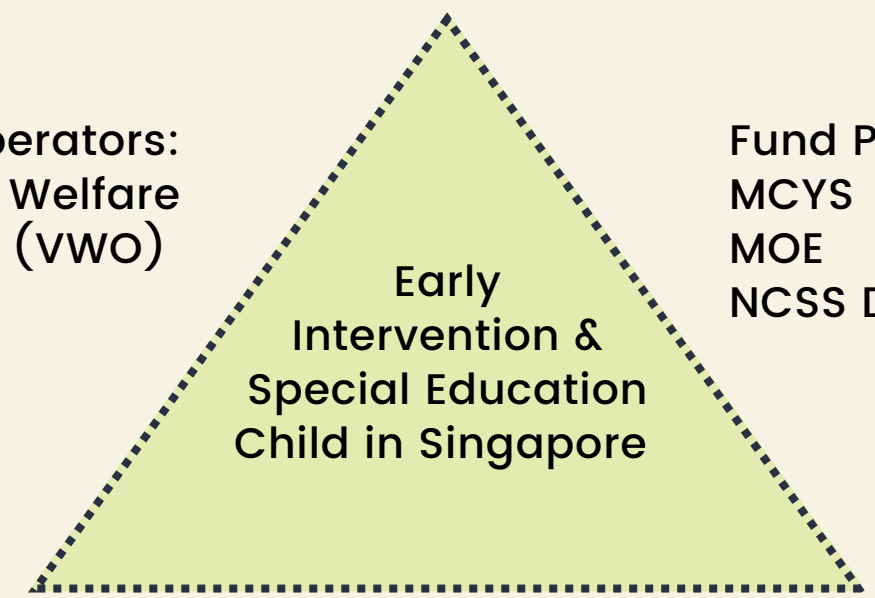
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MANY HELPING HANDS (MHH) APPROACH

Current Governance System of Early Intervention & Special Schools

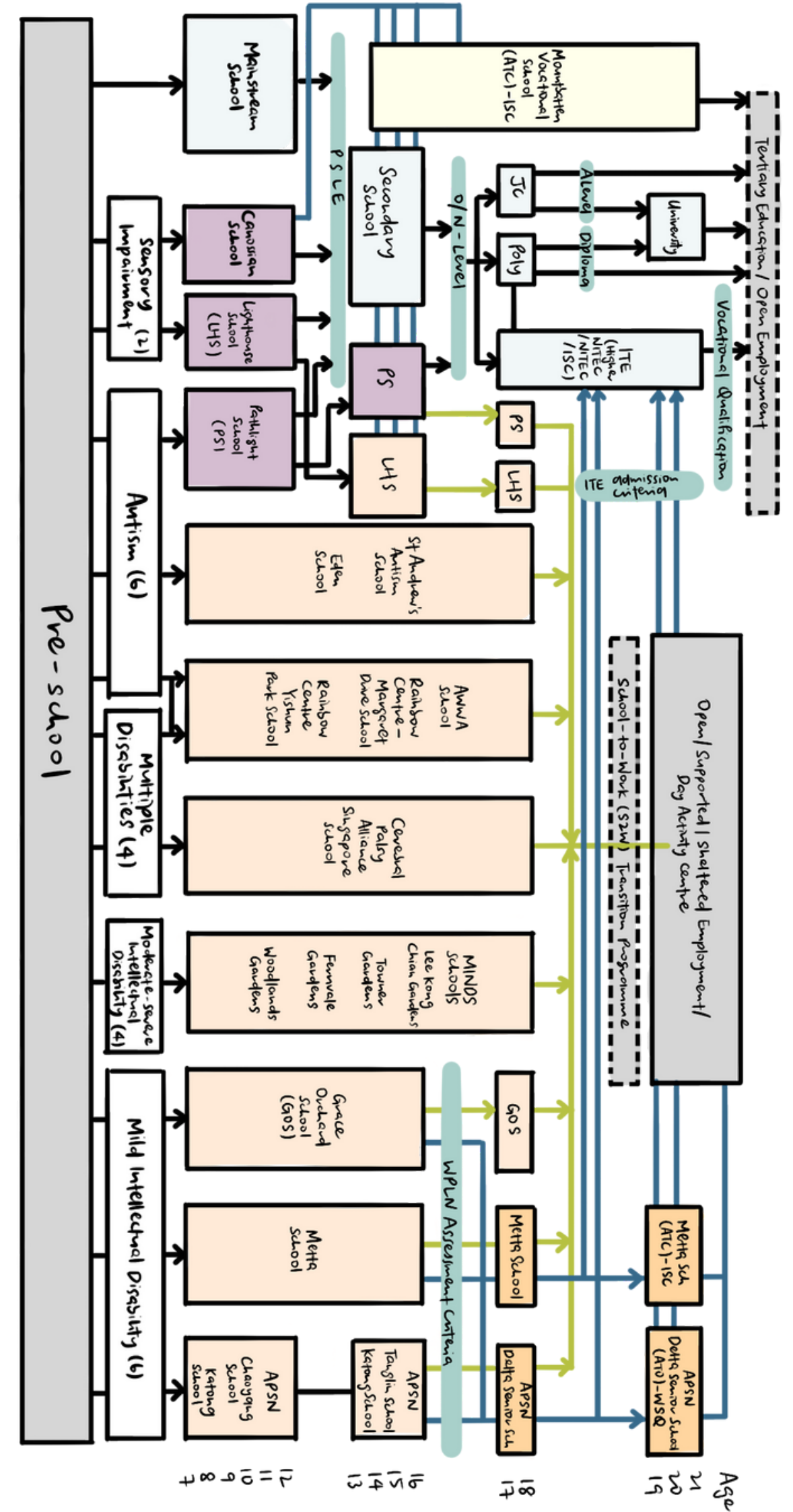
Service Operators:
Voluntary Welfare Organisations (VWO)

Fund Provider:
MCYS
MOE
NCSS Donors



Management of VWOs in Fund Allocation & Service Development: NCSS

EDUCATION PATHWAYS



Resources: https://www.charities.gov.sg/PublishingImages/Resource-and-Training/Publications/Books/Documents/NUS_CSDA_The%20social%20service%20sector%20in%20Singapore%202015.pdf
https://www.msf.gov.sg/research-and-data/Research-and-Statistics/Documents/EM_Chapter3.pdf
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