





***Understanding the Principles  
of the ICS/ UCS & the EOC***

# ***NIMS and ICS***

- NIMS
- NRP
- Adoption a condition for federal preparedness assistance
- FY 2005

# ***WHY USE ICS?***

- Increased safety
- Improved information exchange
- Minimize damage
- Open door to federal assistance (NIMS)

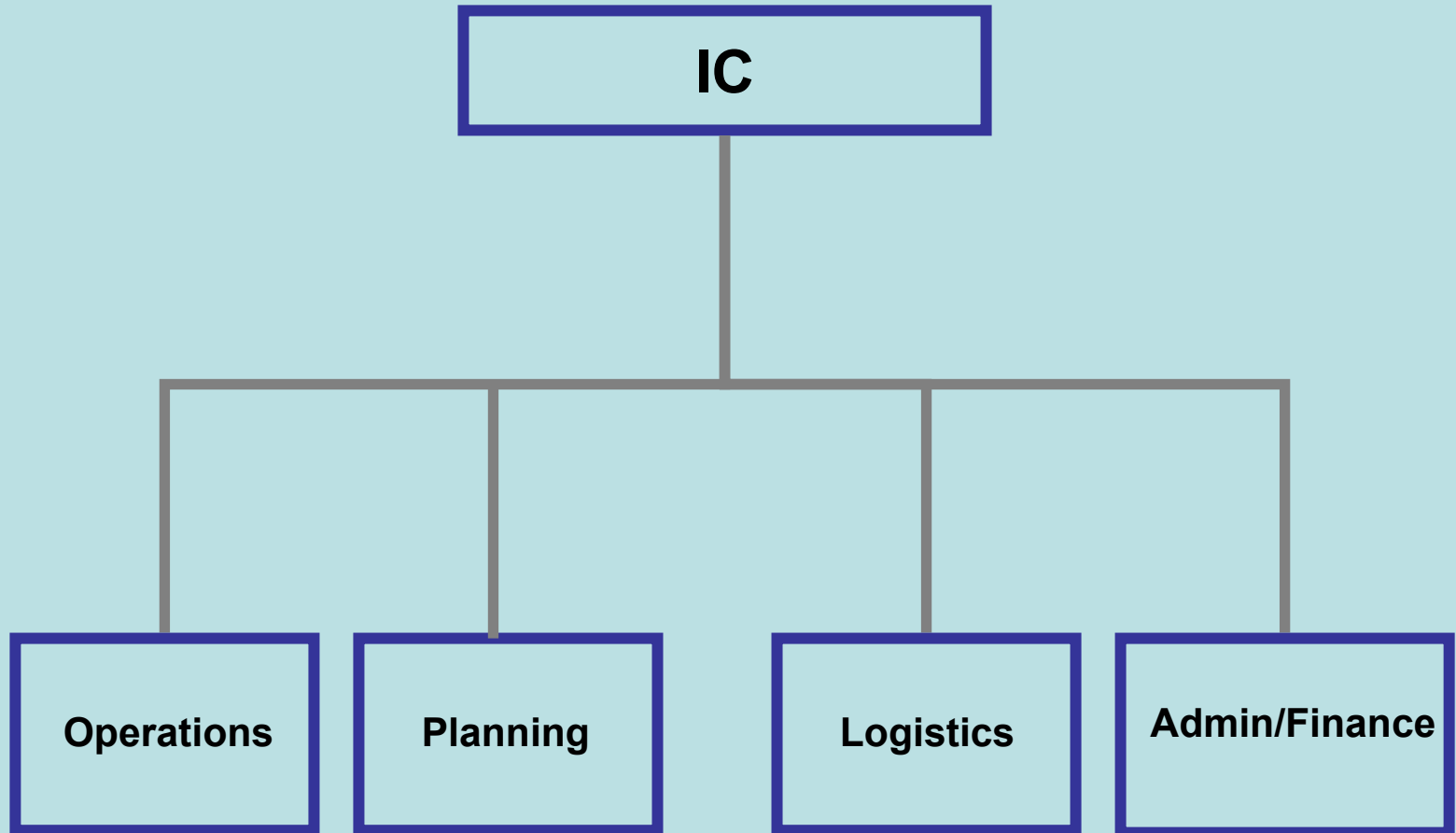
# ***ICS Advantages***

- Common terminology
- Optimizes use of resources
- Provides accountability
- Minimizes “freelancing”

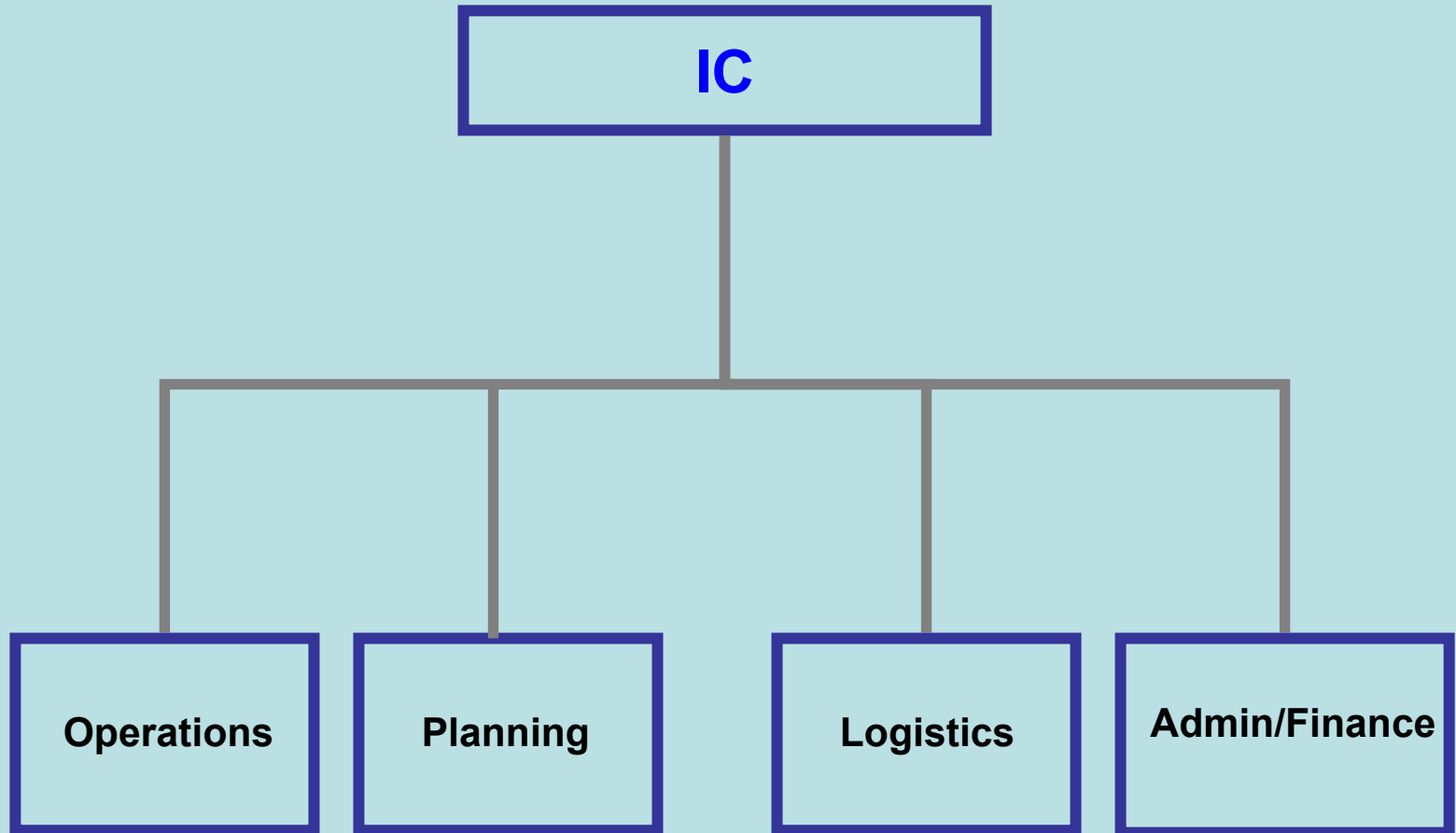
# ***ICS Advantages***

- All risk/size management system
- Establishes clear chain of command
- Modular and scalable

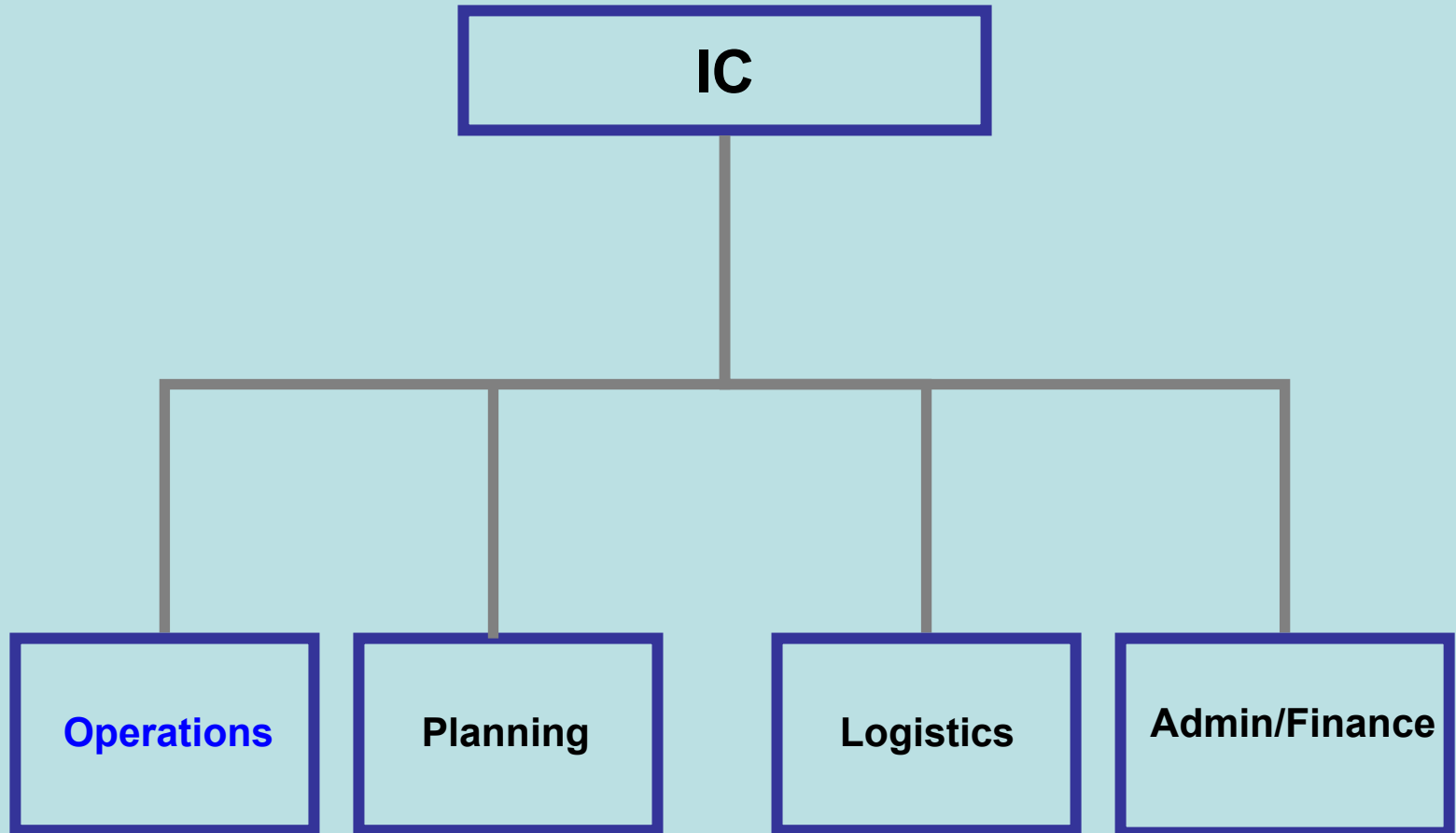
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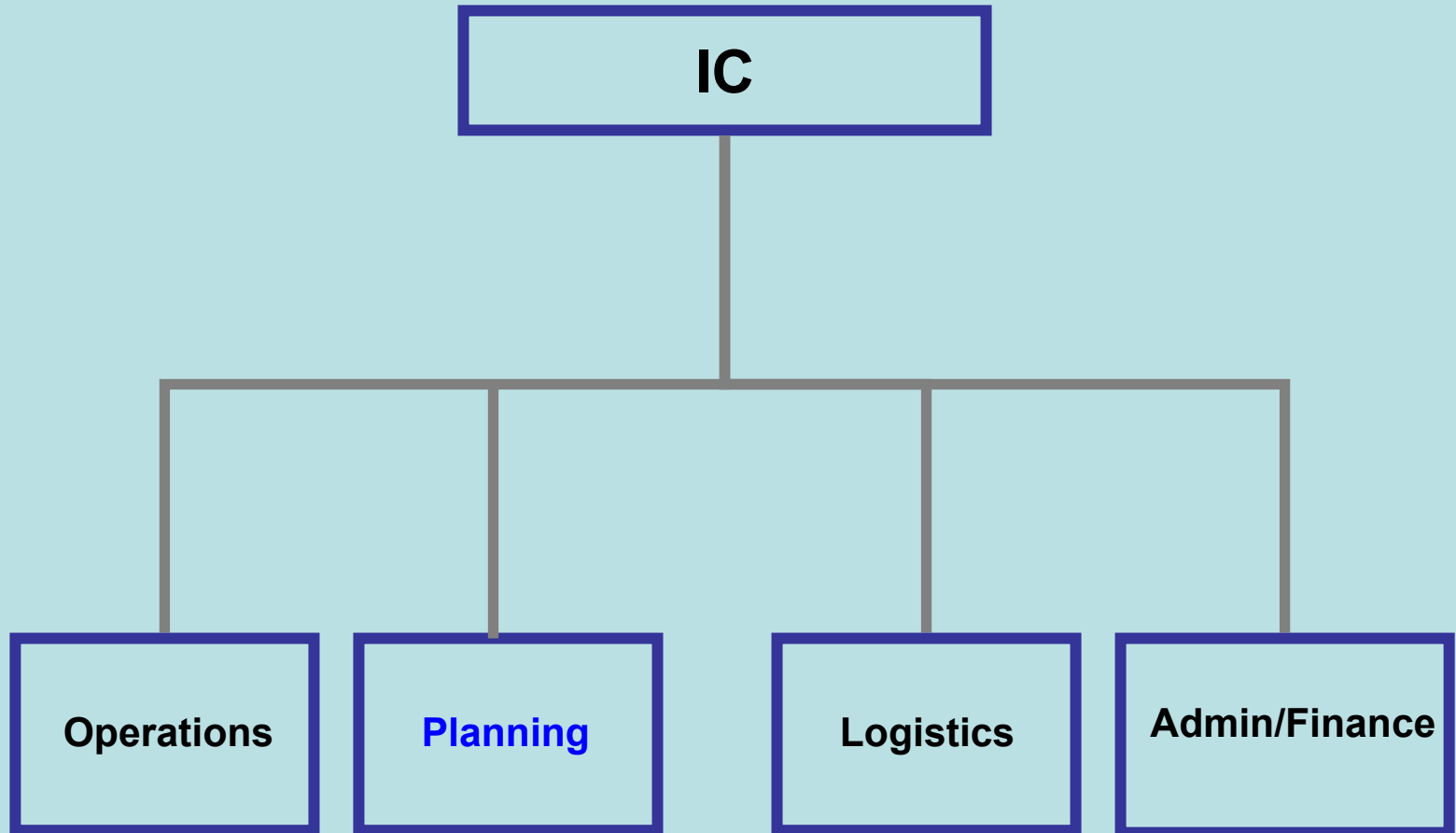
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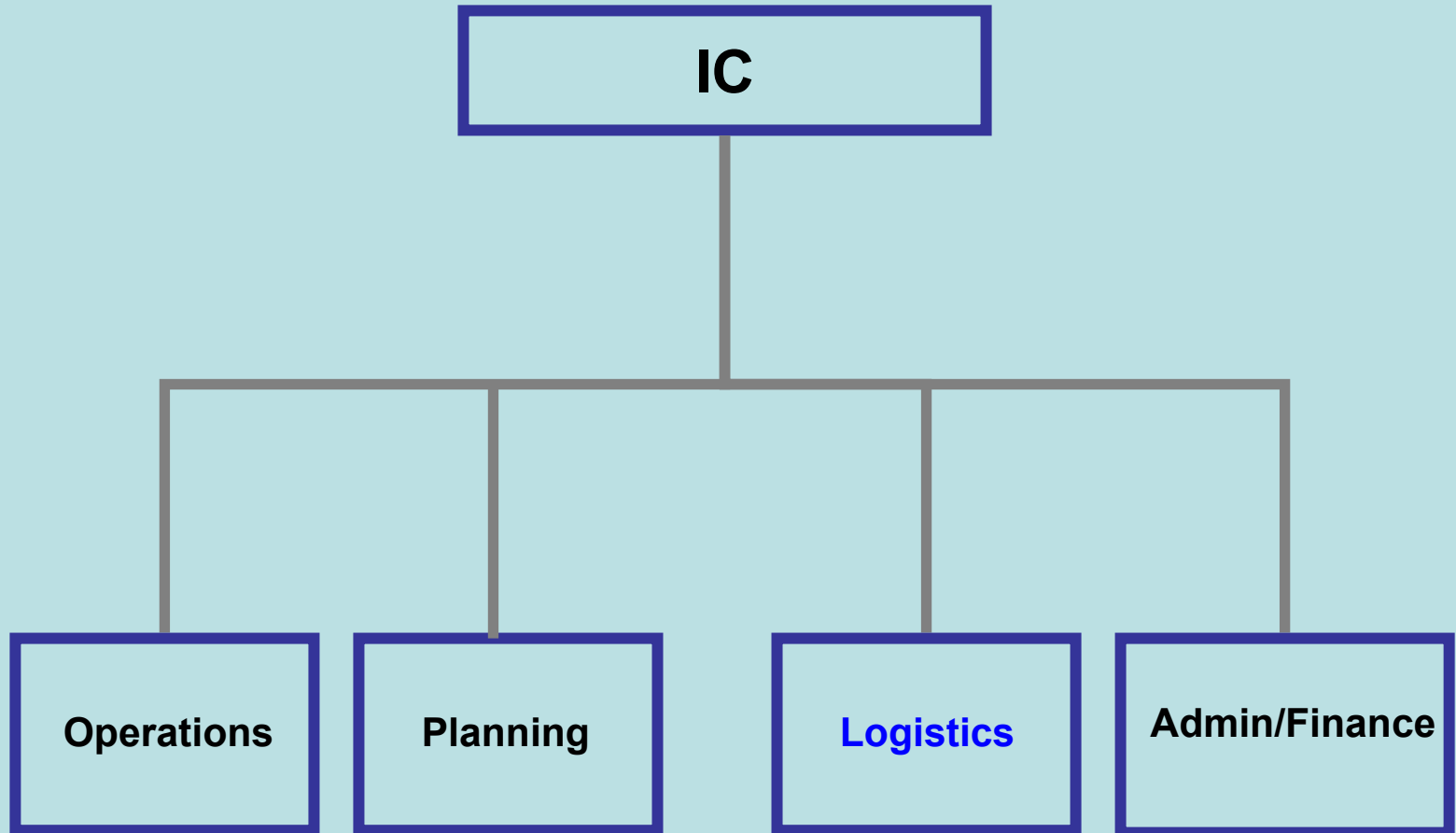
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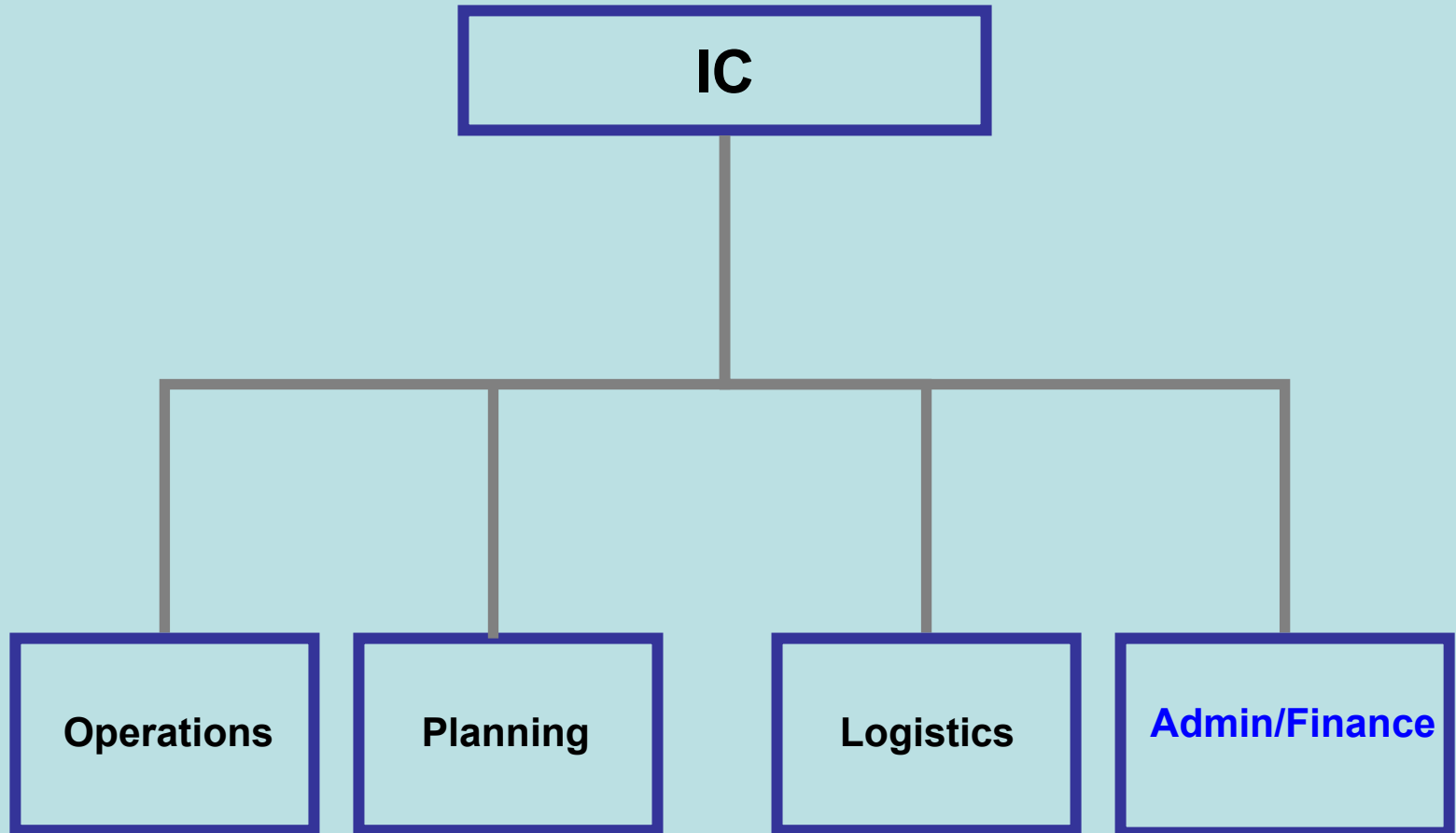
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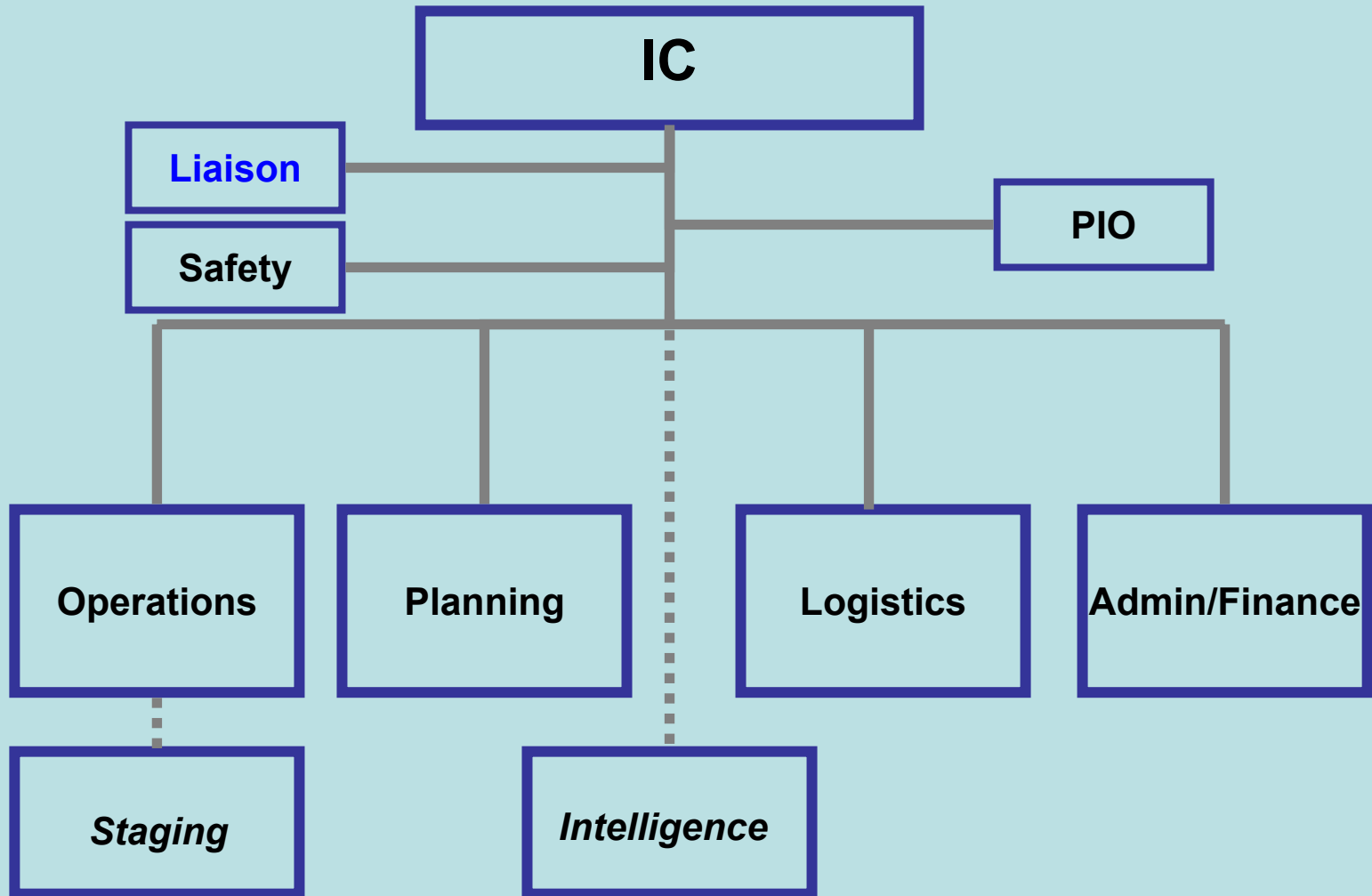
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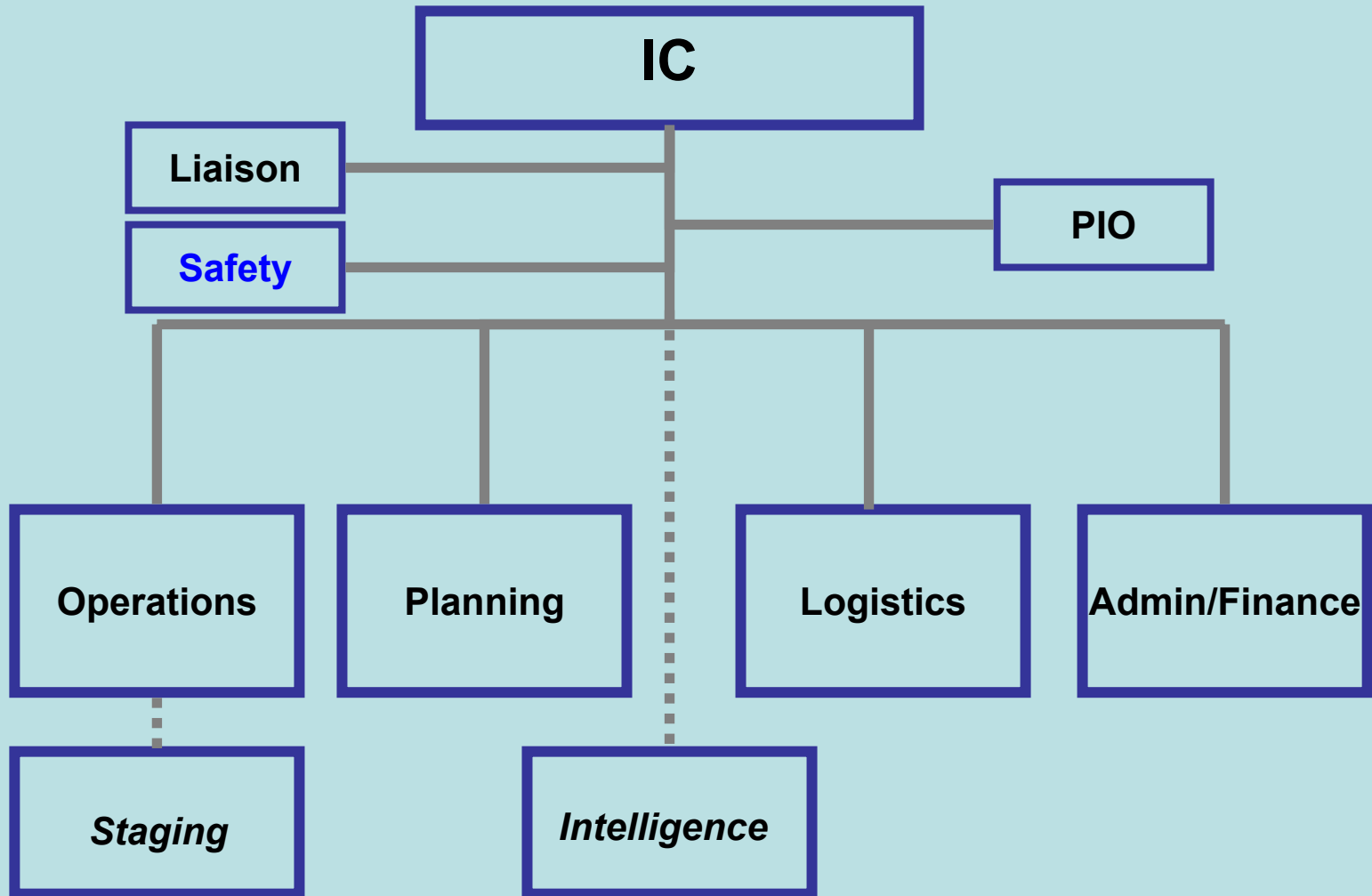
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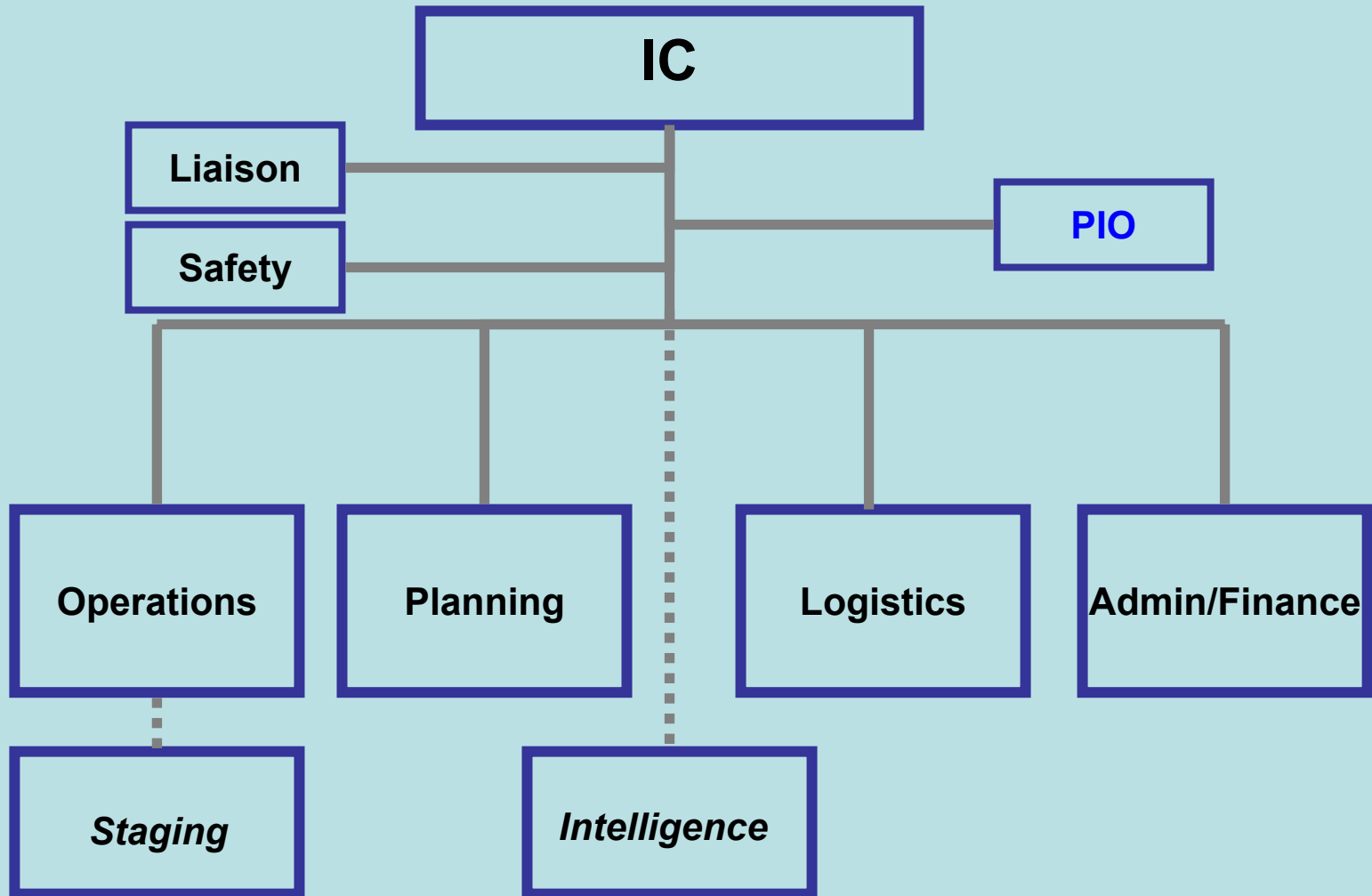
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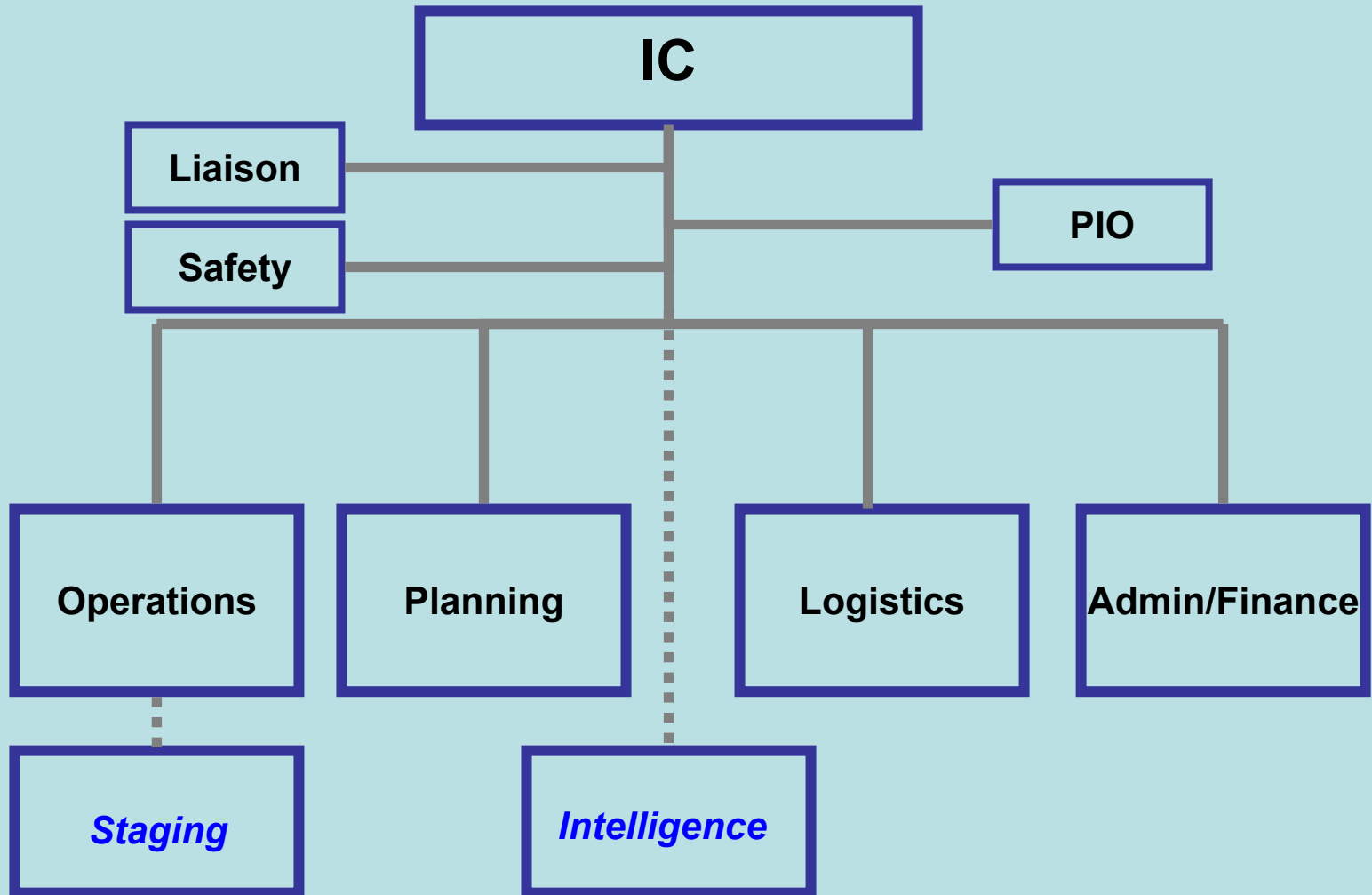
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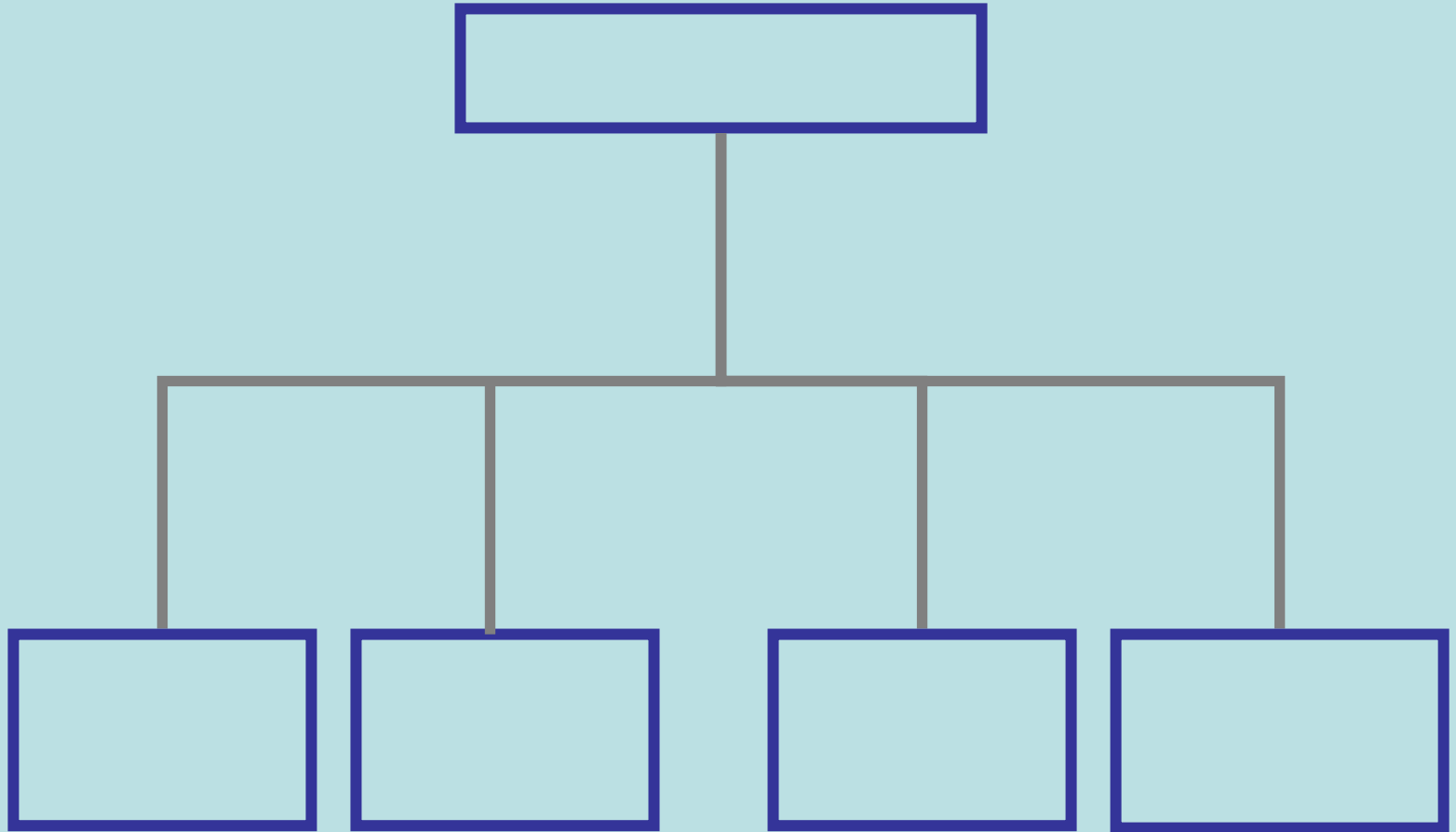
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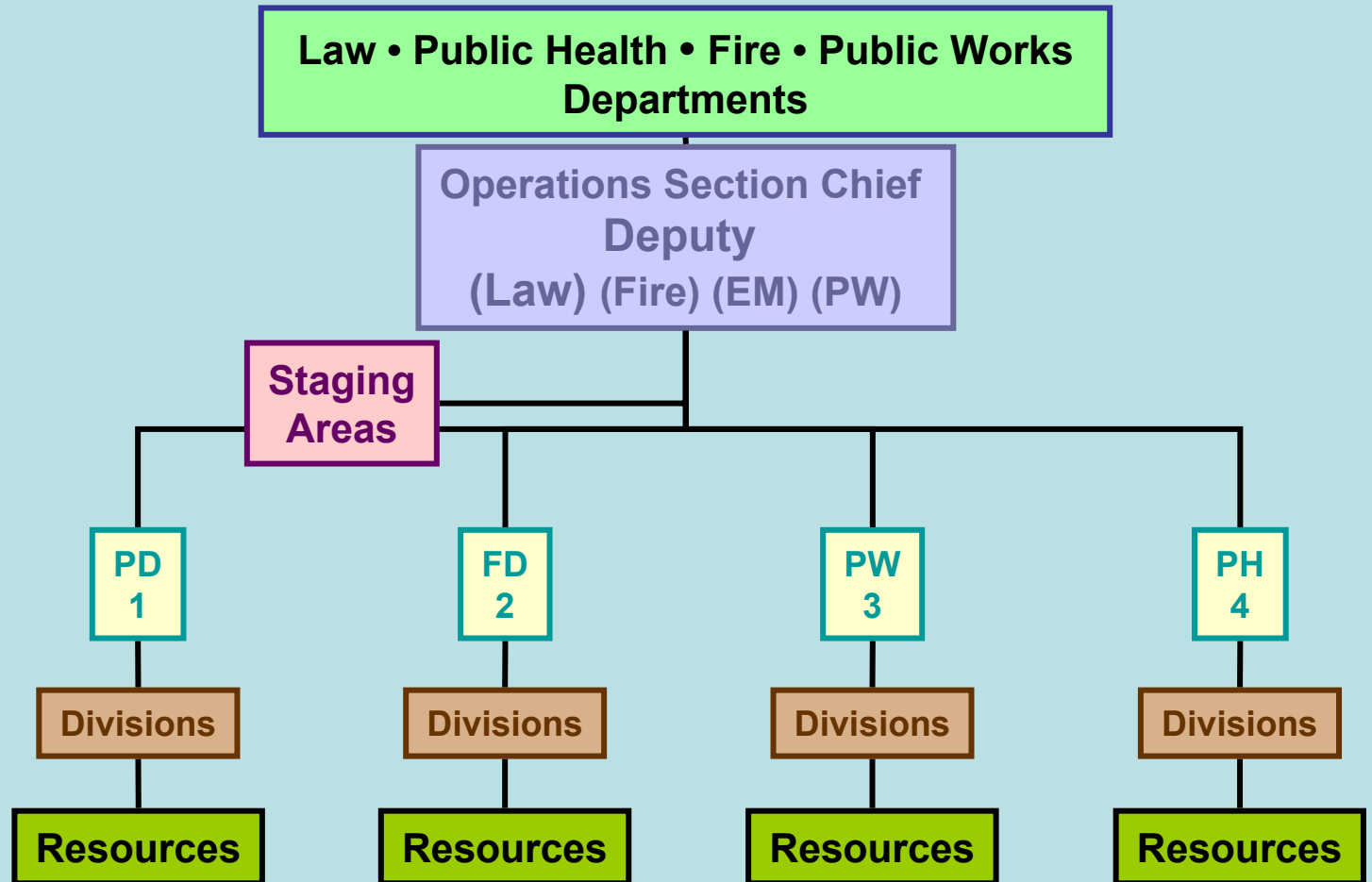
# ***Unified Command System (UCS)***



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(Single/Teams/Task Forces)

# ***When to use UCS***

- Single jurisdiction with more than one agency involved
- Incident involves multiple jurisdictions
- Multiple events



# ***Advantages of UCS***

- Single set of objectives
- Collective approach
- Single incident action plan
- Optimizes response effort

# ***Advantages of UCS***

- Information flow and coordination
- Joint priorities and restrictions
- No legal authorities compromised

# ***ICS/UCS***

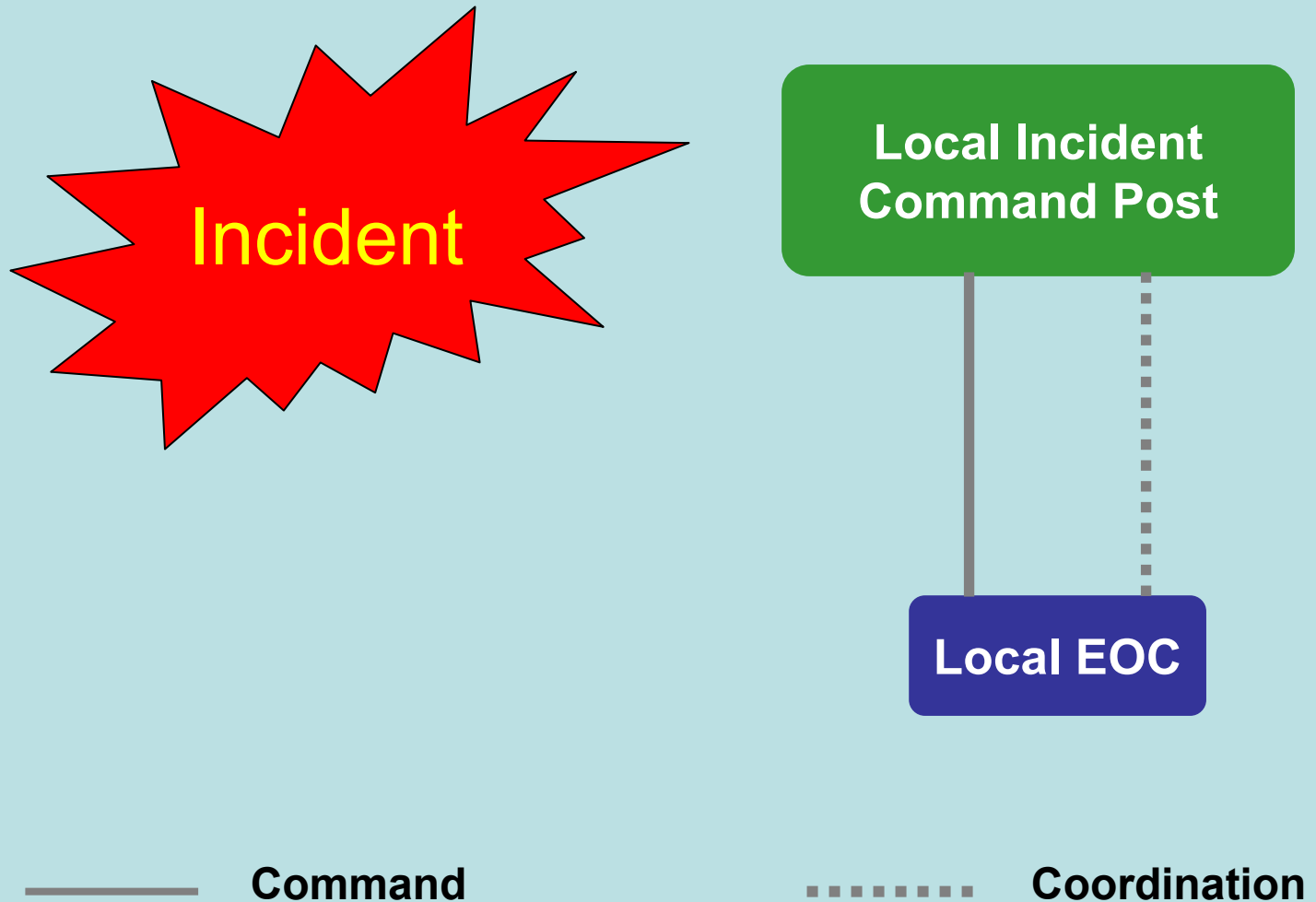
***vs.***

# ***Emergency Operations Center (EOC)***

- EOC is coordination vs. operations
- Where is the EOC vs. the ICP?
- When is the EOC activated?
- Who is in the EOC?



# ***EOC Example***

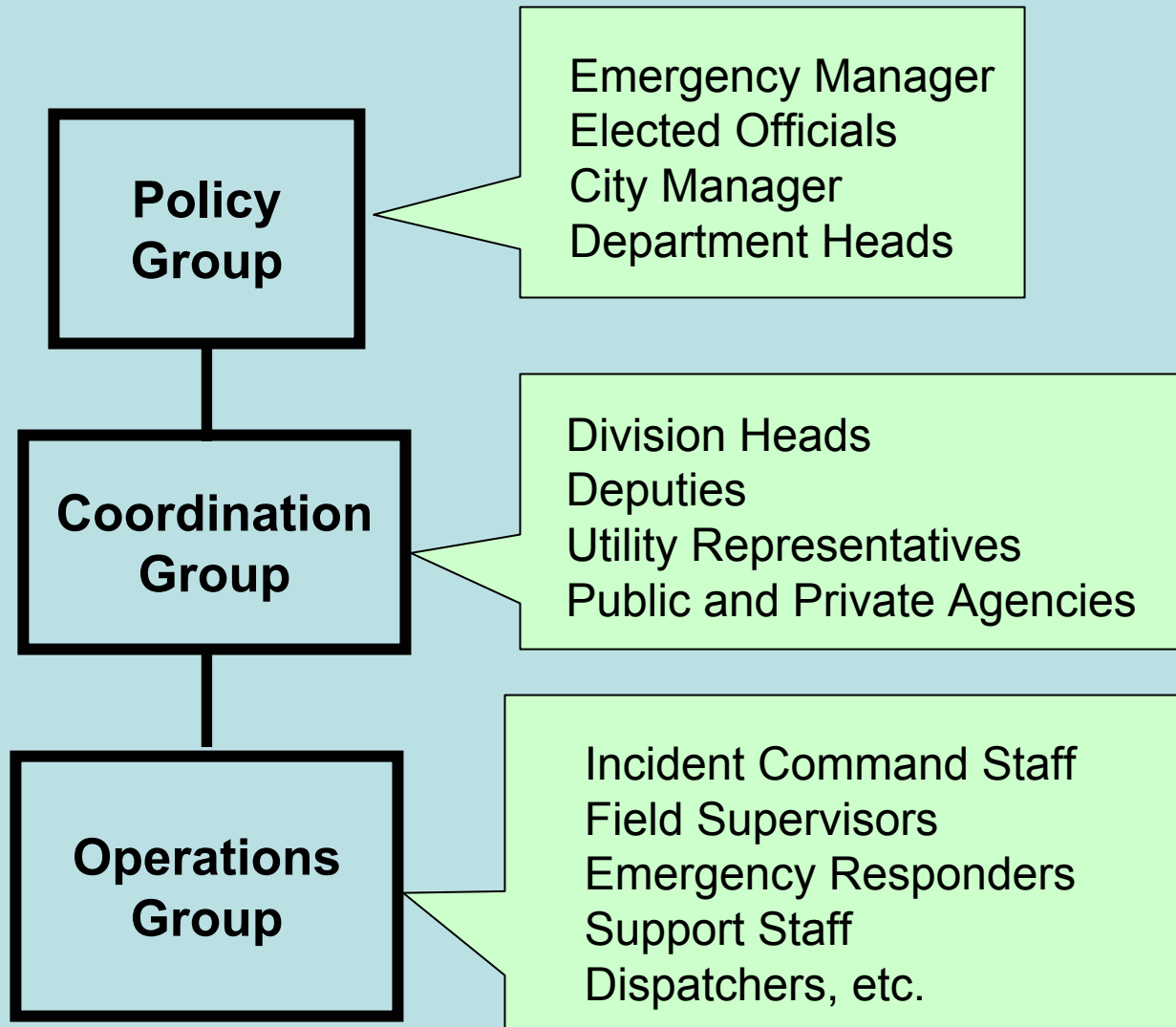


# ***Activation of EOC***

- Permits faster response and recovery
- Supports the IC team
- Provides path to elected officials
- Implements EOP



# ***EOC Staff***



***Exercising Your EOC  
in Preparation for a  
Possibility WMD Incident***

# ***ICS Scenario***



# Questions, Thoughts & Comments

