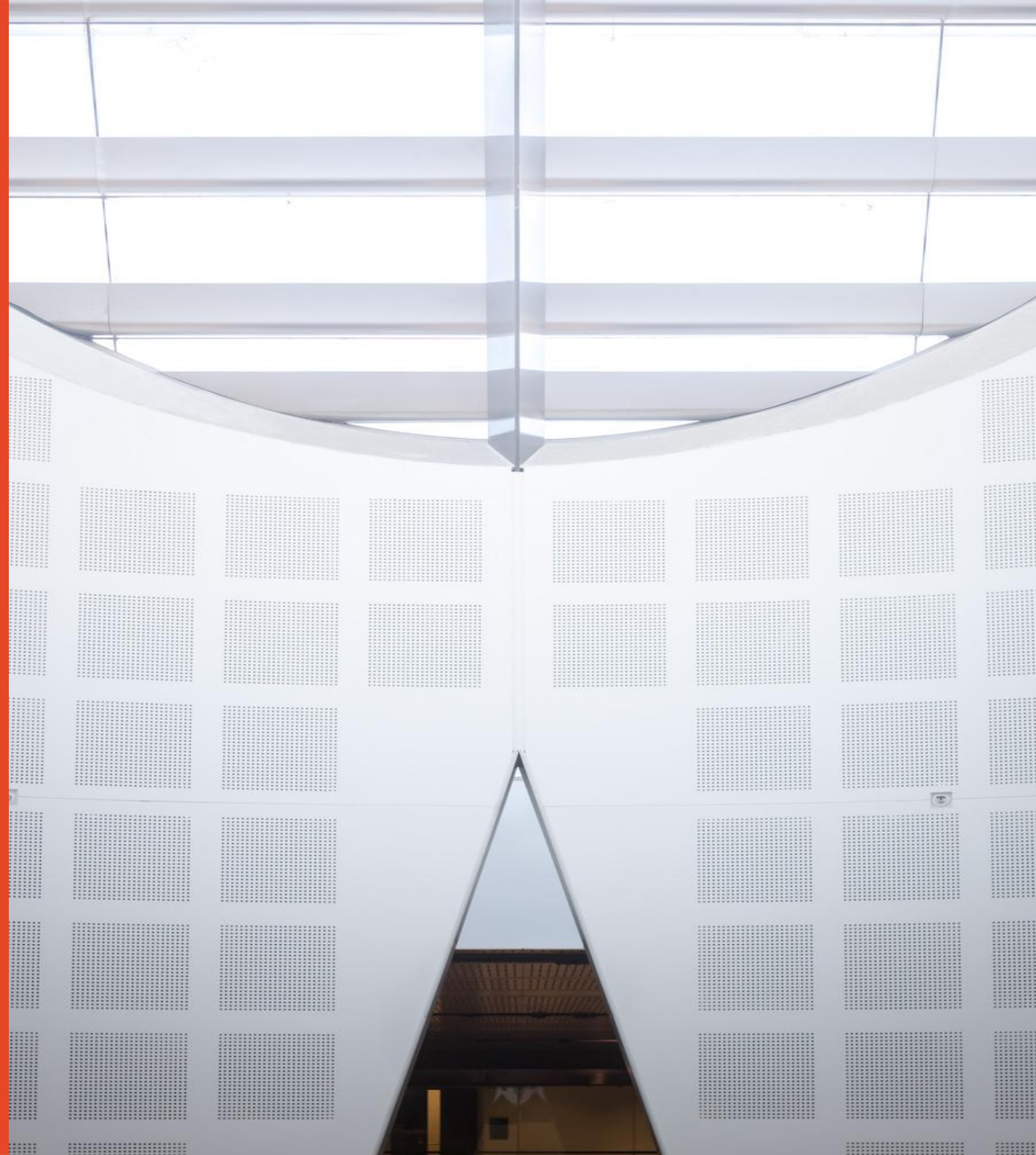


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# Public Health Futures and SRH in the Region

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# **BACKGROUND**

Persistent SRH challenges:

- Access
- Equity
- cultural barriers

# Workforce gaps

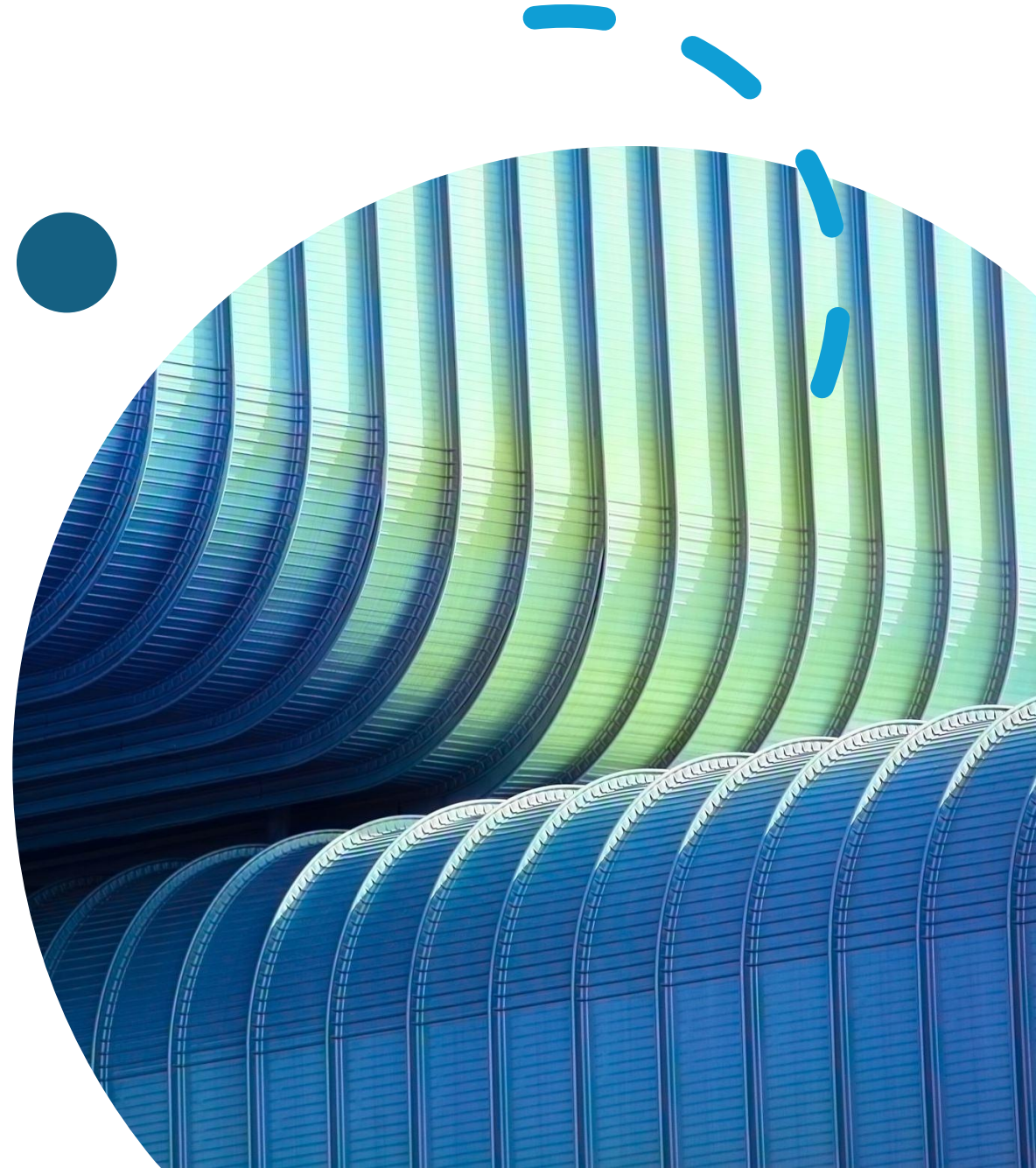
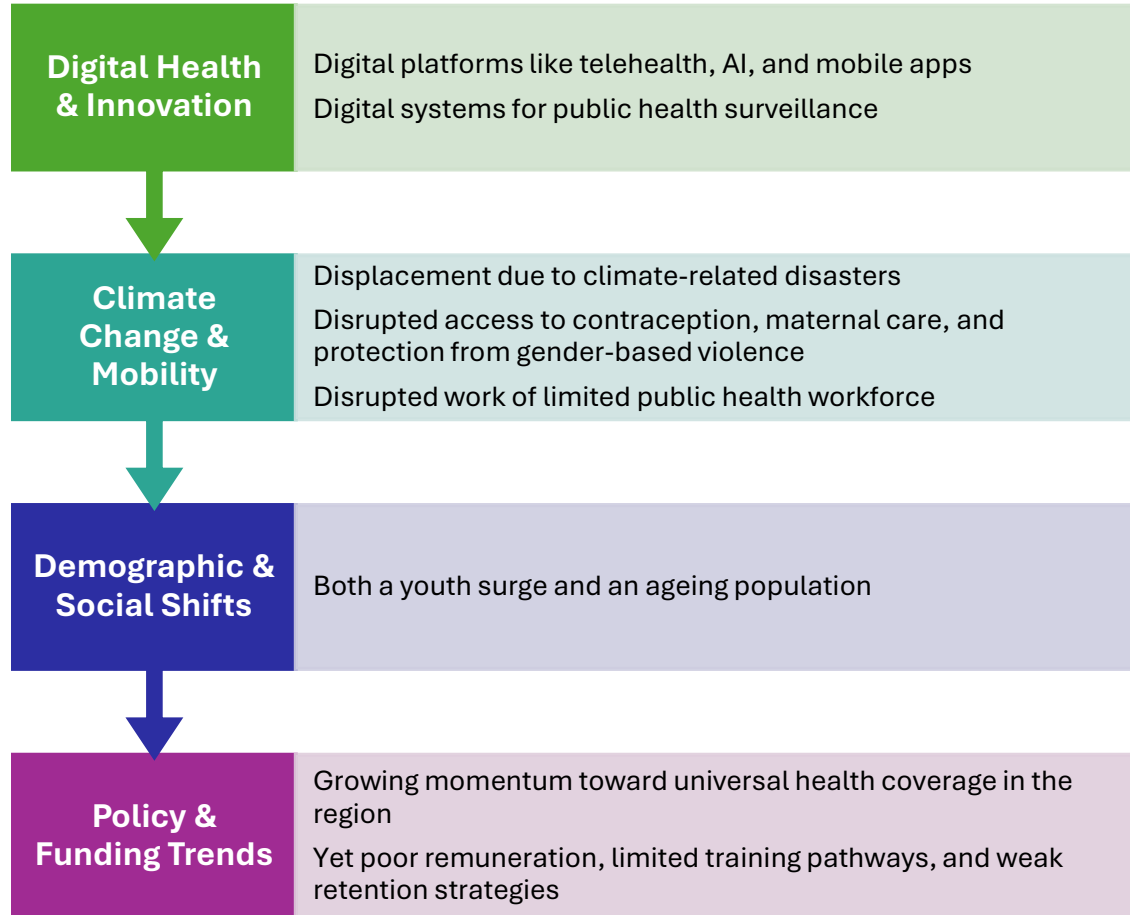
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- Shortage of trained public health professionals, especially in SRH
- Uneven distribution across urban, rural, and remote areas
- Limited training pathways
- Lack of retention strategies





# Drivers of Public Health Futures





# Implications for SRH Workforce Development

## **Urgent need to:**

- Build on the success of existent training programs
- Expand and diversify training programs, tailor them to the specific regional and country needs
- Build culturally competent, digitally literate, and resilient SRH professionals
- Support community-led and Indigenous workforce models

# *Panel Discussion*



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