

The Data Crutch:

**What we don't know and first
steps toward changing
surrogacy policy**

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What We Know



**Financial
Drivers**



**Abuse and
Trafficking**



**No Long-
Term Studies**



**Surrogate
Attachment**

What We Don't Know



**Market Size and
Player Influence**



**Number of
Children**



**Child
Abandonment**



**Physical &
Mental Health**

Governments Don't Have to Wait on Data.

01

Smoking
Laws



02

Seatbelt
Laws



03

Air Pollution
Regulations



04

War on
Drugs (US)



Government Data Collection

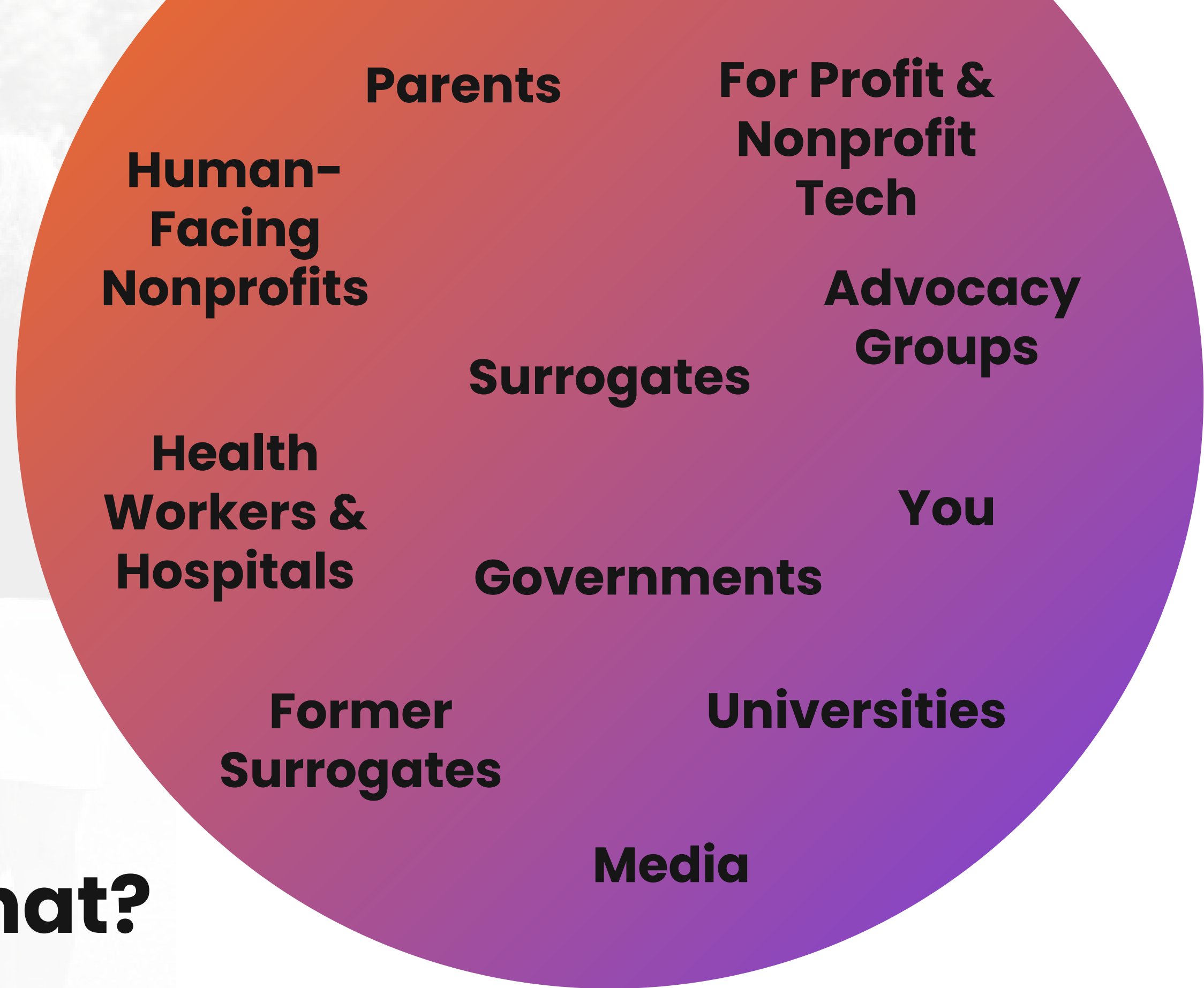
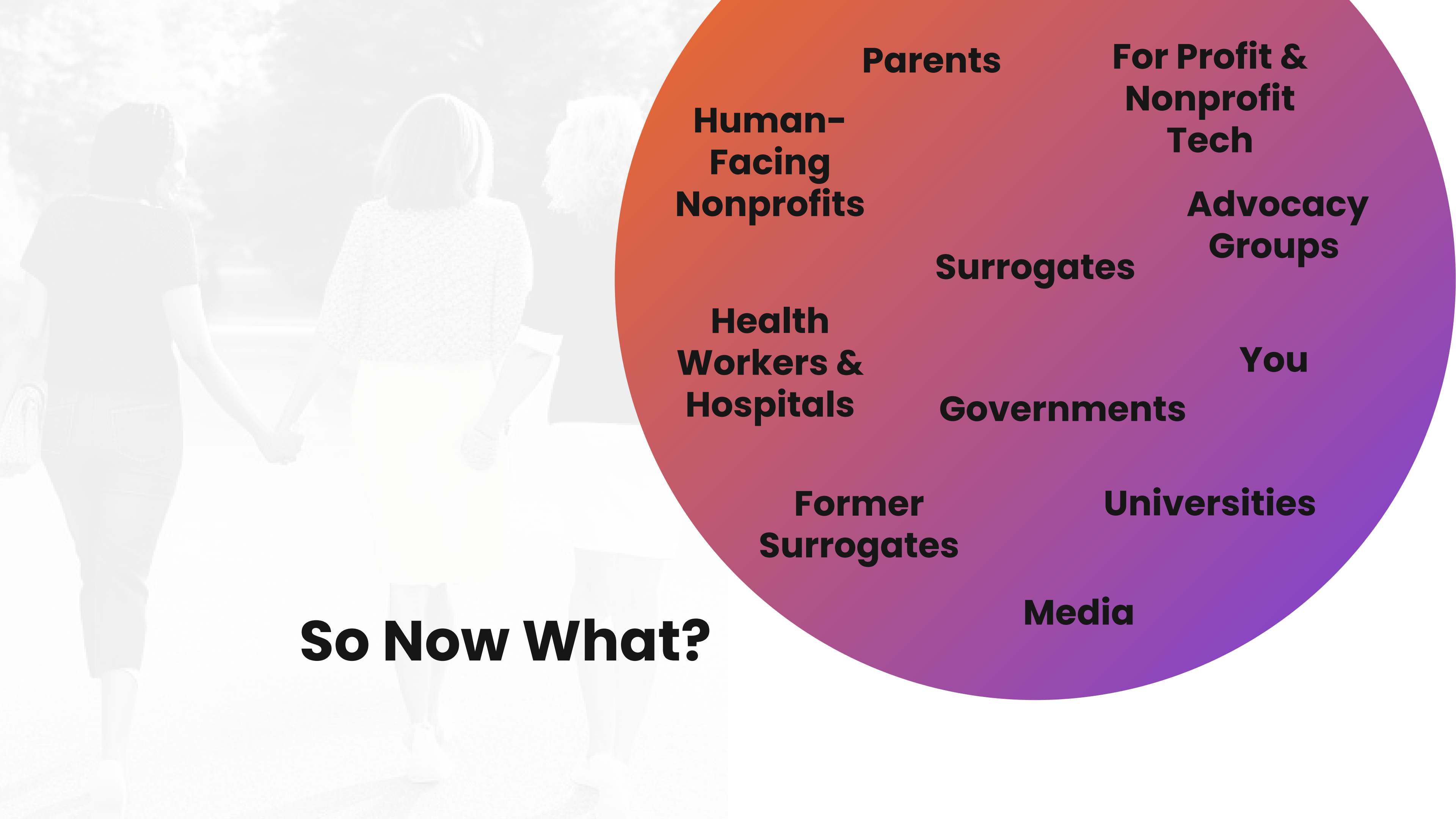
- Independent Accrediting Bodies
- International Collaboration
- Sensitivity & Combatting Cultural Stigma





**We Shouldn't Wait
on Government.**





So Now What?

Conclusion:

**Lack of data is not an
excuse for inaction.**

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