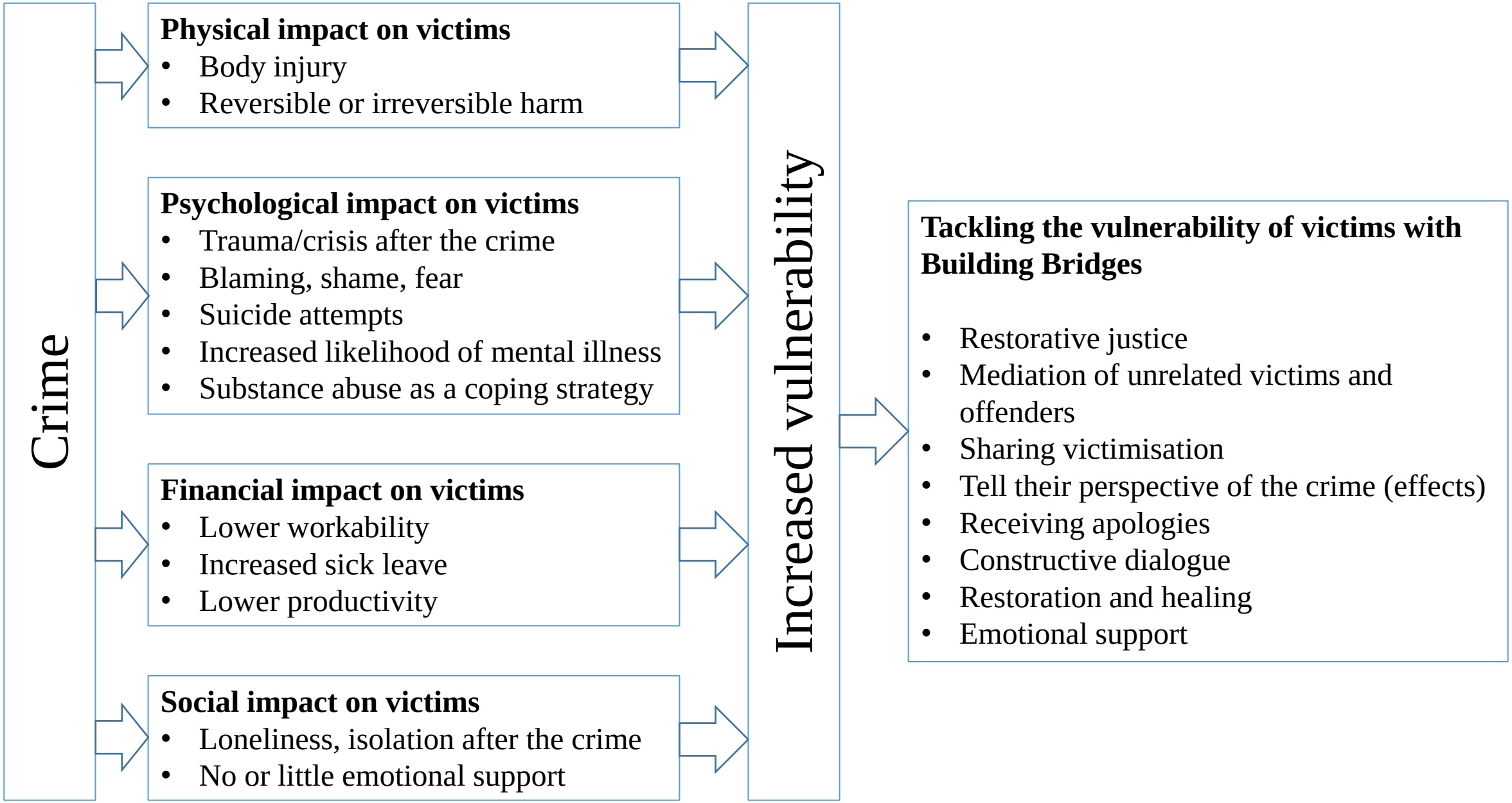
Crime
Physical impact on victims
• Body injury
• Reversible or irreversible harm
Psychological impact on victims
• Trauma/crisis after the crime
• Blaming, shame, fear
• Suicide attempts
• Increased likelihood of mental illness
• Substance abuse as a coping strategy
Financial impact on victims
• Lower workability
• Increased sick leave
• Lower productivity
Social impact on victims
• Loneliness, isolation after the crime
• No or little emotional support
Increased vulnerability
Tackling the vulnerability of victims with Building Bridges
• Restorative justice
• Mediation of unrelated victims and offenders
• Sharing victimisation
• Tell their perspective of the crime (effects)
• Receiving apologies
• Constructive dialogue
• Restoration and healing
• Emotional support