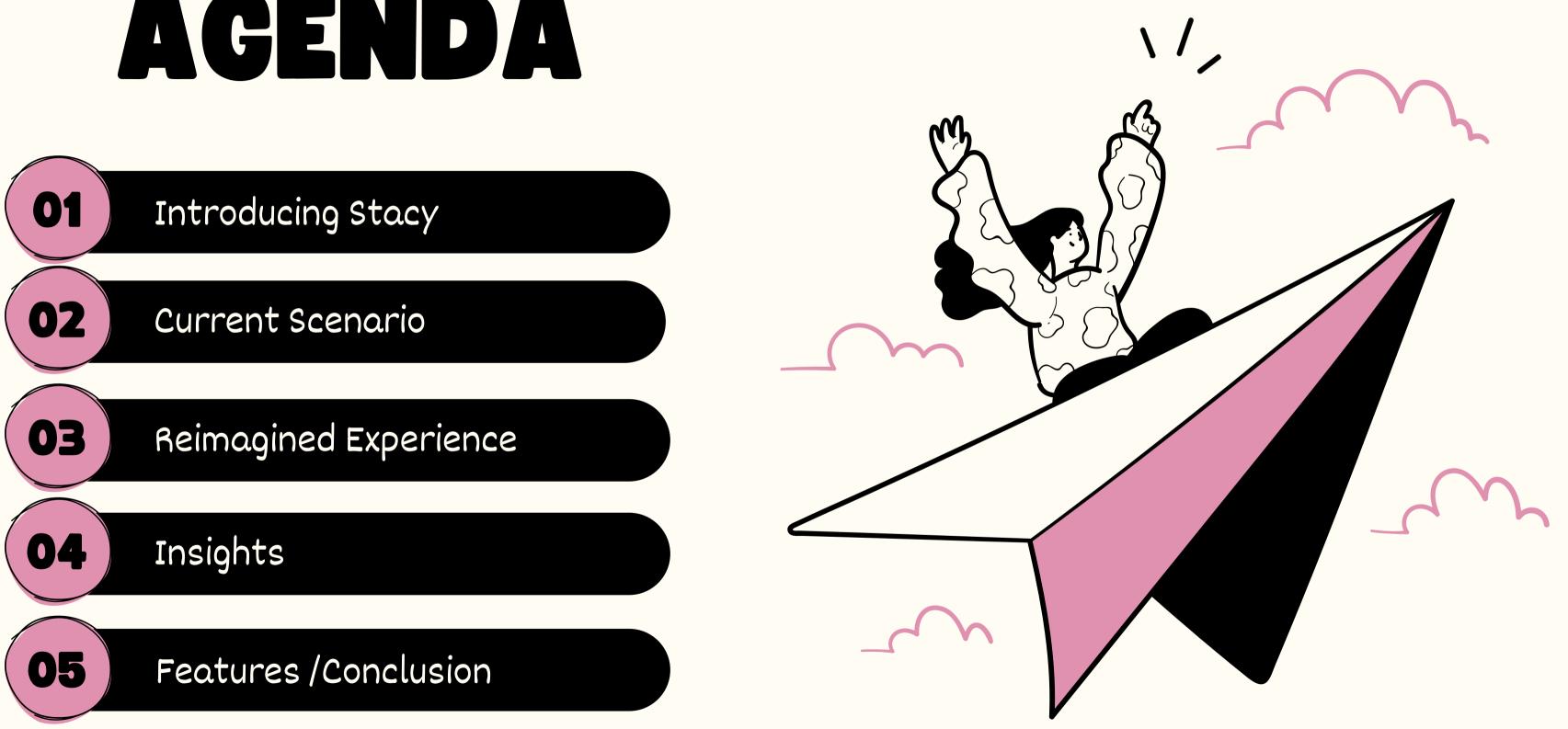
#### PROJECT 2

#### Reimagining the Emergency Room: Proactively Adapting to Patients with Hearing Loss

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## AGENDA



#### MEET STACY – Real Story, Real Struggles







#### **CURRENT EXPERIENCE** – What is the ER experience like right now?



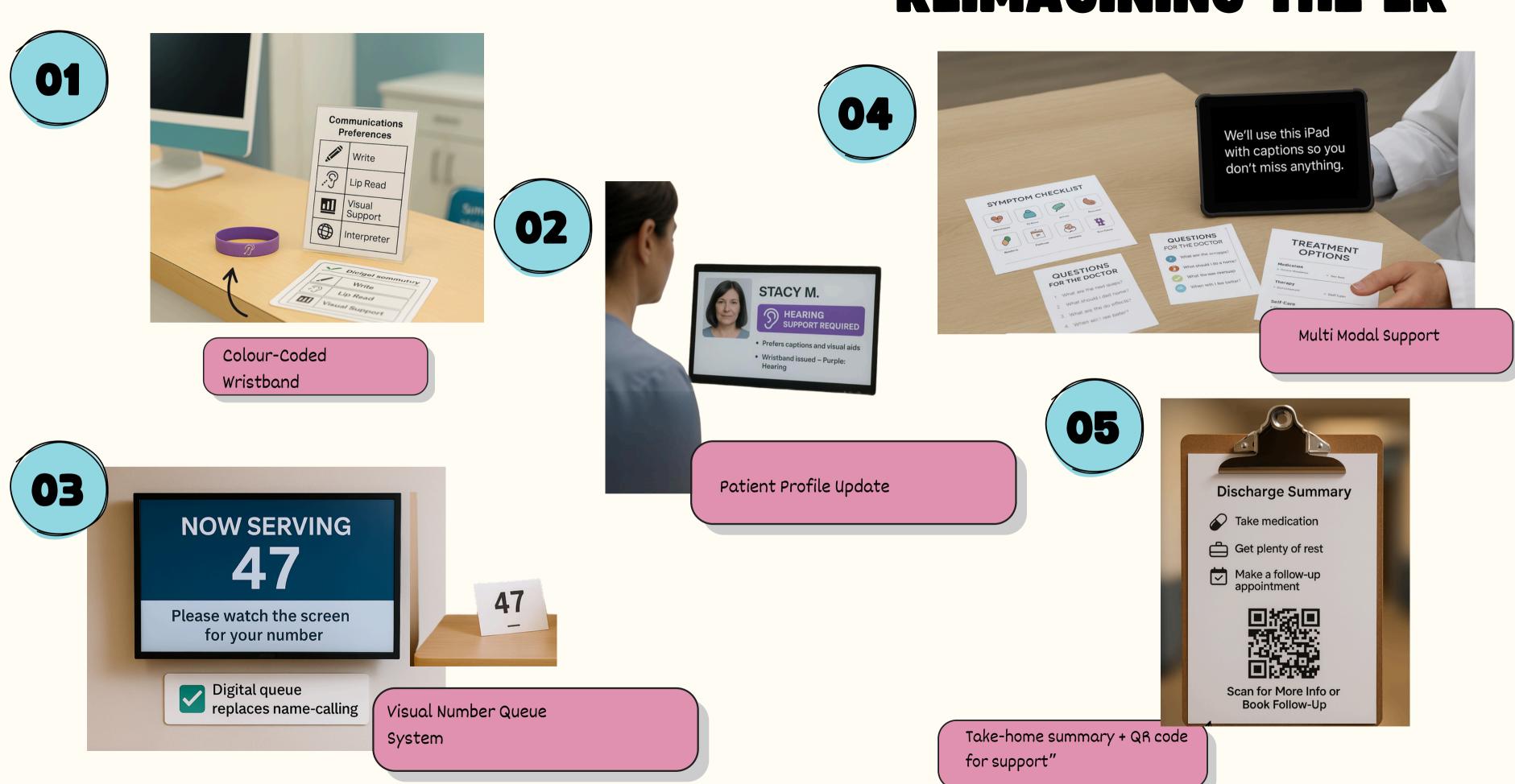
Without visual cues, Stacy's left to guess – anxious about missing her turn or being seen as a burden.



#### "FROM FEELING INVISIBLE...



Stacy leaves with more guestions than answers – rushed, unheard, and uncertain.



#### **REIMAGINING THE ER**

#### **REIMAGINING THE ER -** What Changed?



#### TO FEELING RESPECTED AND UNDERSTOOD."

dismissed.

#### WHAT WE HEARD - INSIGHTS

ER environments are chaotic and overwhelming, making communication difficult and leading to unnecessary delays

> "It makes me feel like they don't care very much about me, like I'm not good enough. Like I'm not as good as everybody else."--Stacy

Medical staff are often unaware of the unique challenges hearingimpaired patients face

"I'm literally saying to her, sue, I can't hear you. She just sits there and talks eventually."--Stacy

#### Patients with hearing loss may feel

marginalized during the

triage process

I couldn't hear properly. I couldn't understand and my husband was not standing with me when I when I was being checked in."--Stacy

## TRANSFORMATION - What's Different



"THE REIMAGINED SYSTEM DIDN'T JUST TREAT HER SYMPTOMS, IT GAVE STACY CLARITY, DIGNITY, AND PEACE OF MIND."

# Now?



### SYSTEMIC IMPACT -IT WORKS FOR EVERYONE

"An inclusive ER isn't just good for one person, it works for everyone."

# THANK USA

