

# IBM Spectrum Scale Container Native(CNSA) Health Monitoring

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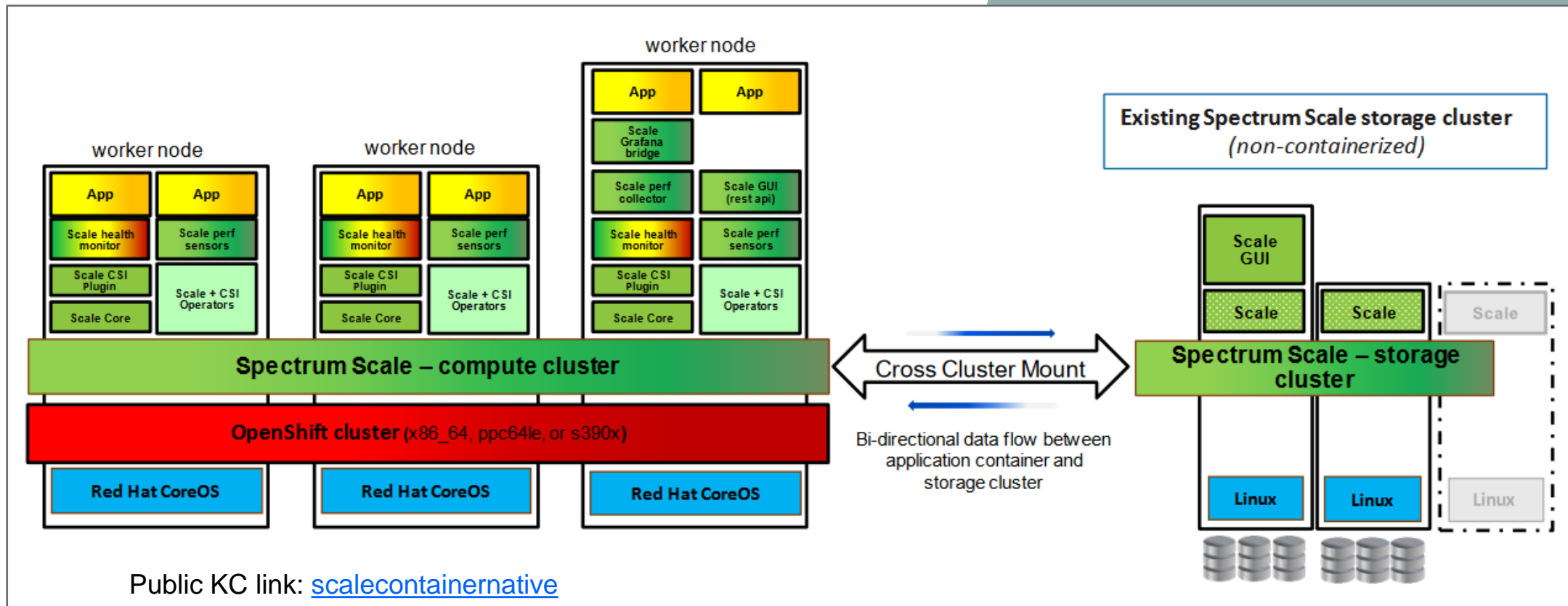
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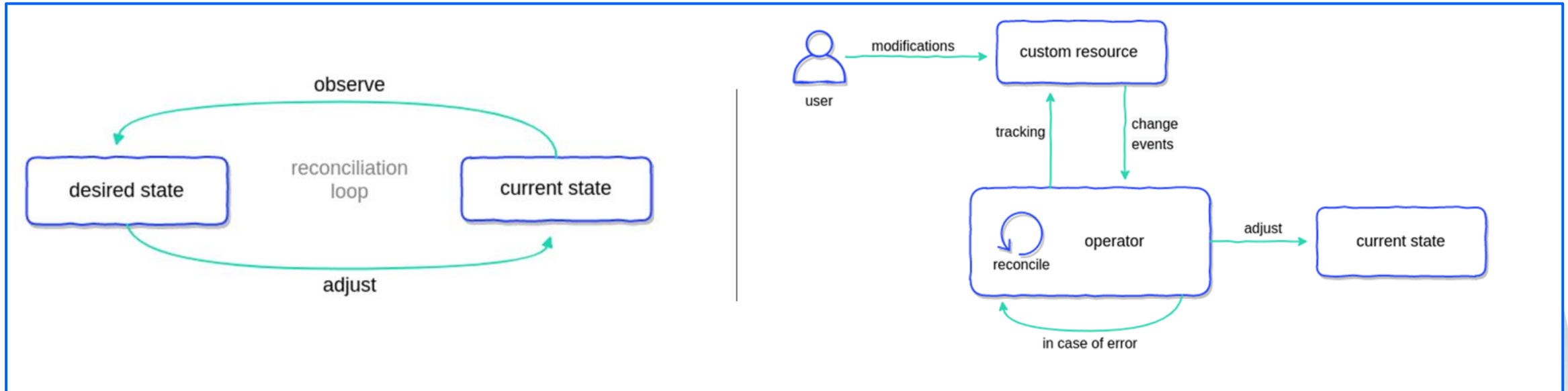


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- is a containerized version of IBM Spectrum Scale
- allows the deployment of the cluster file system *in a RedHat OpenShift cluster*



# Kubernetes Controller/Operator Concept

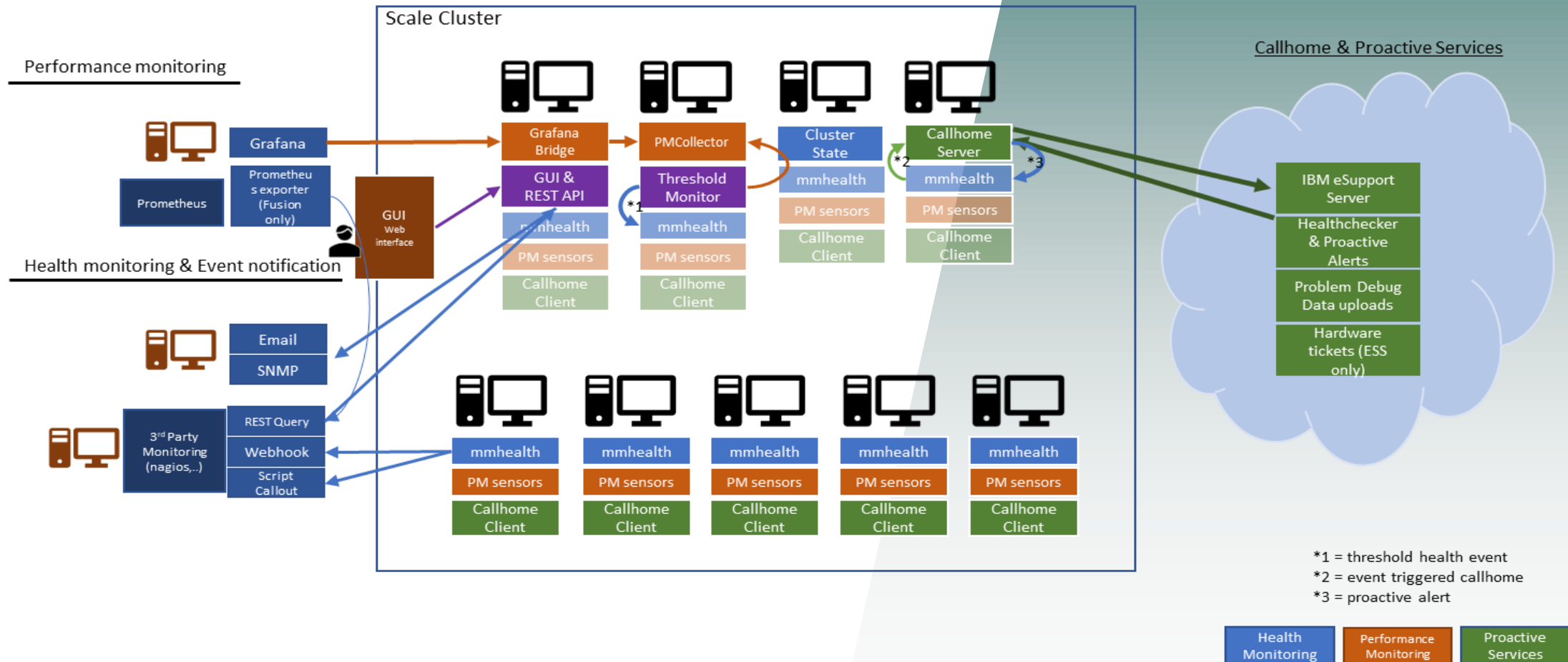


- A Kubernetes Controller is a special software that, in the loop, responds to changes and performs adaptation actions in the cluster
- A controller tracks at least one Kubernetes resource type
- Kubernetes has a set of built-in controllers that run inside the [kube-controller-manager](#)

*“Operators are software extensions to Kubernetes that make use of custom resources to manage applications and their components. Operators follow Kubernetes principles, notably the control loop”*

[Kubernetes Documentation](#)

# Classic Scale Monitoring Overview



# Health Reporting with MMHEALTH



IBM Storage

```
[root@fscx-x36m3-30 ~]# mmhealth cluster show -v
```

Component	Total	Failed	Degraded	Healthy	Other
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
NODE	5	0	3	0	2
GPFS	5	0	2	0	3
NETWORK	5	0	0	5	0
FILESYSTEM	0	0	0	0	0
gpfs0	5	0	0	5	0
gpfs1	1	0	0	1	0
DISK	0	0	0	0	0
RG001LG001VS001	2	0	0	2	0
RG001LG002VS001	2	0	0	2	0
RG001LG003VS001	2	0	0	2	0
RG001LG004VS001	2	0	0	2	0
CALLHOME	1	0	0	1	0
FILESYSMGR	1	0	0	1	0
GUI	1	0	1	0	0
HEALTHCHECK	1	0	0	1	0
NATIVE_RAID	2	2	0	0	0
ARRAY	2	0	2	0	0
CANISTER	1	0	0	1	0
ENCLOSURE	2	0	1	1	0
NVME	2	0	0	2	0
PHYSICALDISK	2	2	0	0	0
RECOVERYGROUP	2	0	0	2	0
VIRTUALDISK	2	0	0	2	0
PERFMON	5	0	0	5	0
THRESHOLD	5	0	0	5	0

```
[root@fscx-x36m3-30 ~]# mmhealth node show -N fscx-fab3-1-a.boeblingen.de.ibm.com
```

Node name: fscx-fab3-1-a.boeblingen.de.ibm.com  
Node status: TIPS  
Status Change: 6 days ago

Component	Status	Status Change	Reasons & Notices
-----	-----	-----	-----
GPFS	TIPS	6 days ago	ess_ptf_update_available
NETWORK	HEALTHY	7 days ago	-
FILESYSTEM	HEALTHY	6 days ago	-
DISK	HEALTHY	7 days ago	-
CALLHOME	HEALTHY	7 days ago	-
HEALTHCHECK	HEALTHY	7 days ago	-
NATIVE_RAID	DEGRADED	6 days ago	gnr_pdisk_replaceable(FAB3_1RG/e1s24), gnr_array_needservice(FAB3_1RG/DA1), no_enclosure_data
PERFMON	HEALTHY	7 days ago	-
THRESHOLD	HEALTHY	7 days ago	-

```
[root@fscx-x36m3-30 ~]# mmhealth event show ess_ptf_update_available
```

Event Name: ess\_ptf\_update\_available  
Event ID: 998403  
Description: For the currently installed IBM ESS packages a PTF update is available.  
Cause: PTF updates are available.  
User Action: Visit IBM Fix Central to download and install the updates.  
Severity: TIP  
State: TIPS

```
[root@fscx-x36m3-30 ~]# mmhealth event show gnr_pdisk_replaceable
```

Event Name: gnr\_pdisk\_replaceable  
Event ID: 999655  
Description: The pdisk is ready to be replaced, which means that all the data is drained out of the disk.  
Cause: The 'mmlspdisk' command shows replaceable user condition for the disk.  
User Action: Replace the pdisk.  
Severity: ERROR  
State: FAILED

```
[root@fscx-x36m3-30 ~]# mmhealth event show gnr_array_needservice
```

Event Name: gnr\_array\_needservice  
Event ID: 999652  
Description: The declustered array state needs service.  
Cause: N/A  
User Action: N/A  
Severity: WARNING  
State: DEGRADED

<https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/spectrum-scale/5.1.7?topic=monitoring-system-health-by-using-mmhealth-command>

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# MMHEALTH - CNSA objects mapping

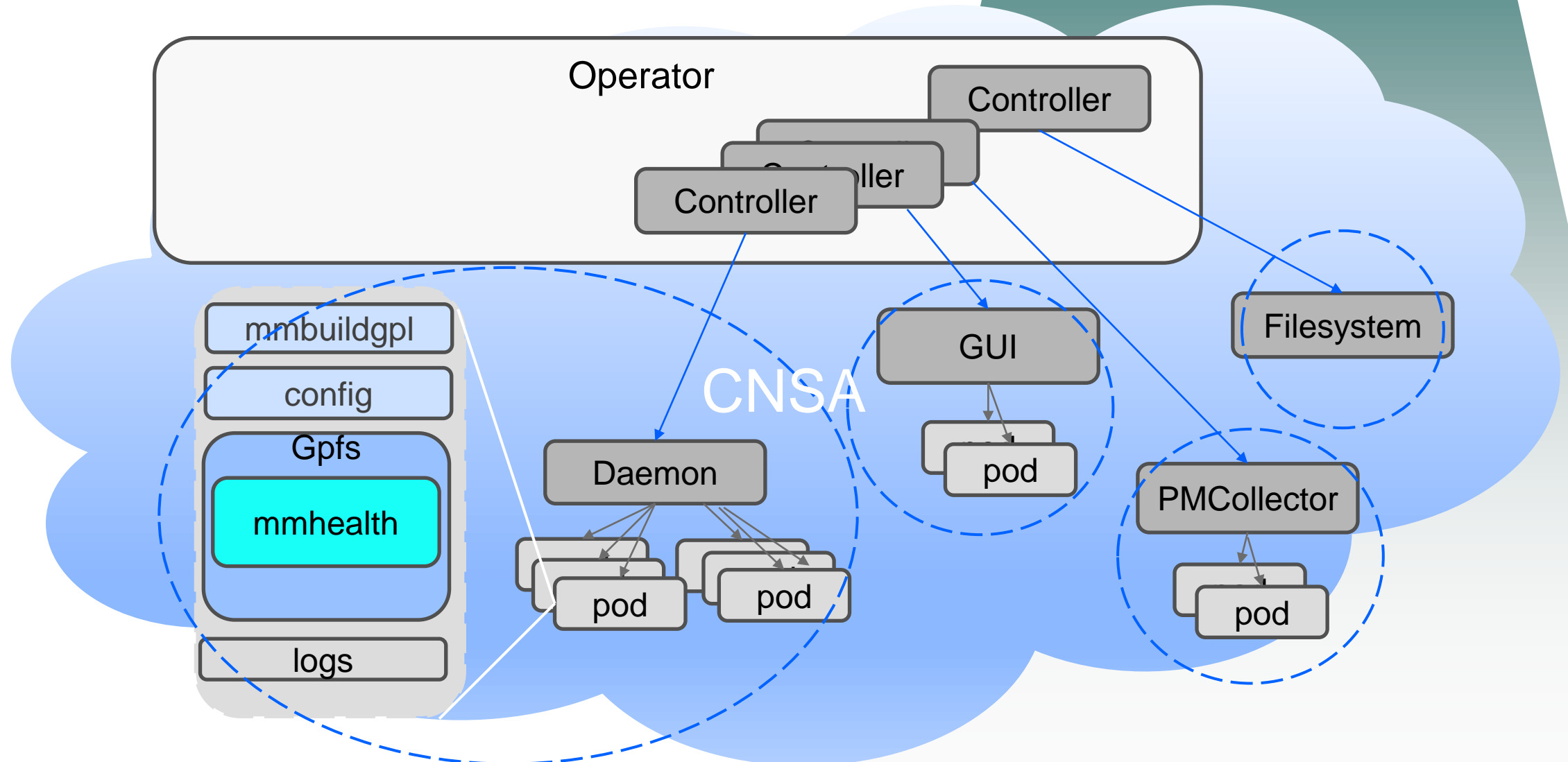


MMHEALTH Component	CNSA Custom Resource (CR)
Filesystem	Filesystem
GPFS	Daemon
Perfmon	PMCollector
GUI	GUI
Native Raid, Network, Disk	Tbd. <future release>

afm, array, auth, auth\_obj, block, callhome, canister/server, ces, cesip, cesnetwork, cloudgateway, disk, enclosure, encryption, fileauditlog, filesysmgr, filesystem, gds, gpfs, gui, hadoopconnector, hdfs\_datanode, hdfs\_namenode, healthcheck, localcache, msgqueue, native\_raid, network, nfs, nfspod, node, noobaa, nvme, nvmeof, object, perfmon, physicaldisk, powerhw, recoverygroup, scalemgmt, serverraid, smb, stretchcluster, threshold, virtualdisk, watchfolder

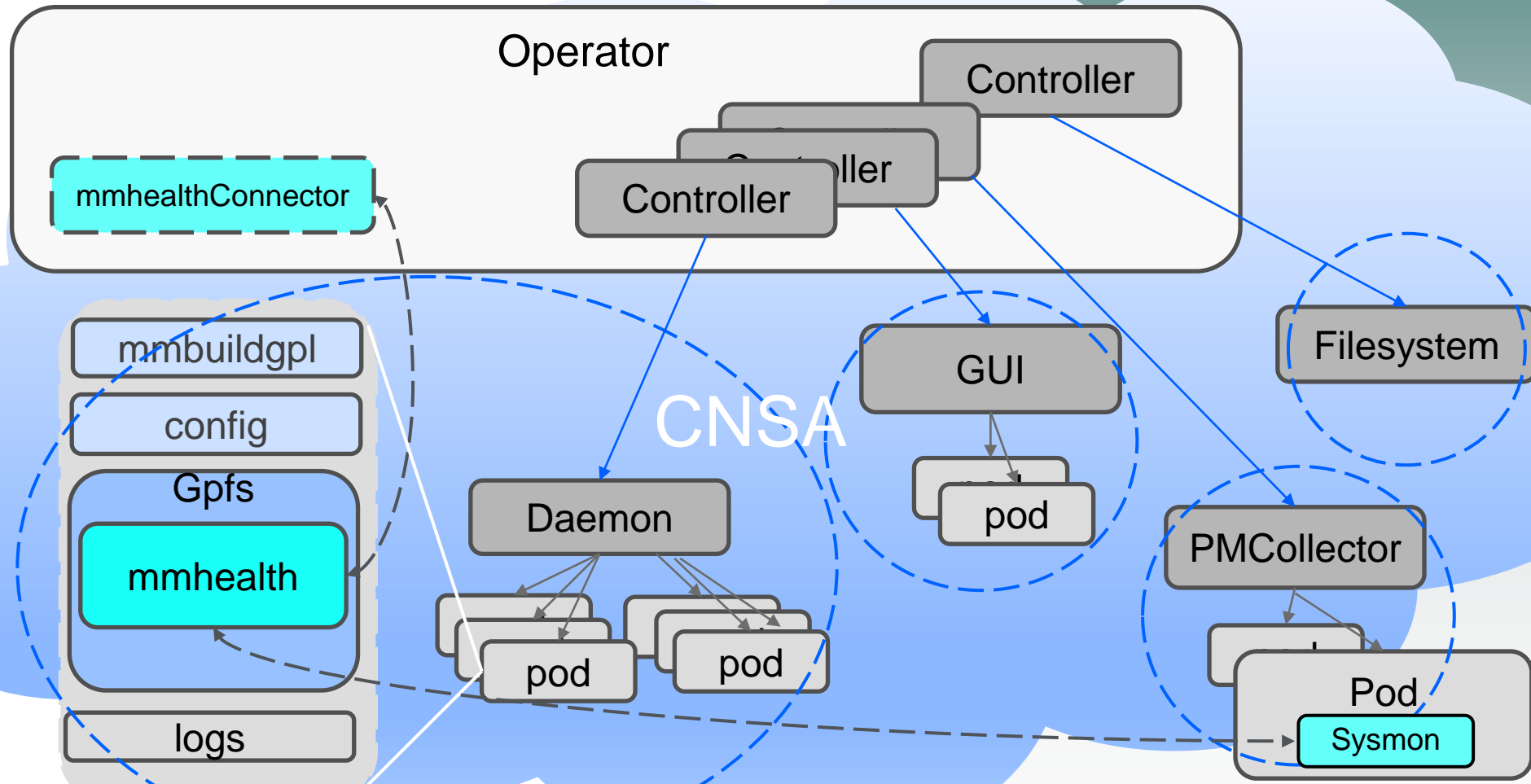
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# CNSA Health Status reporting flow

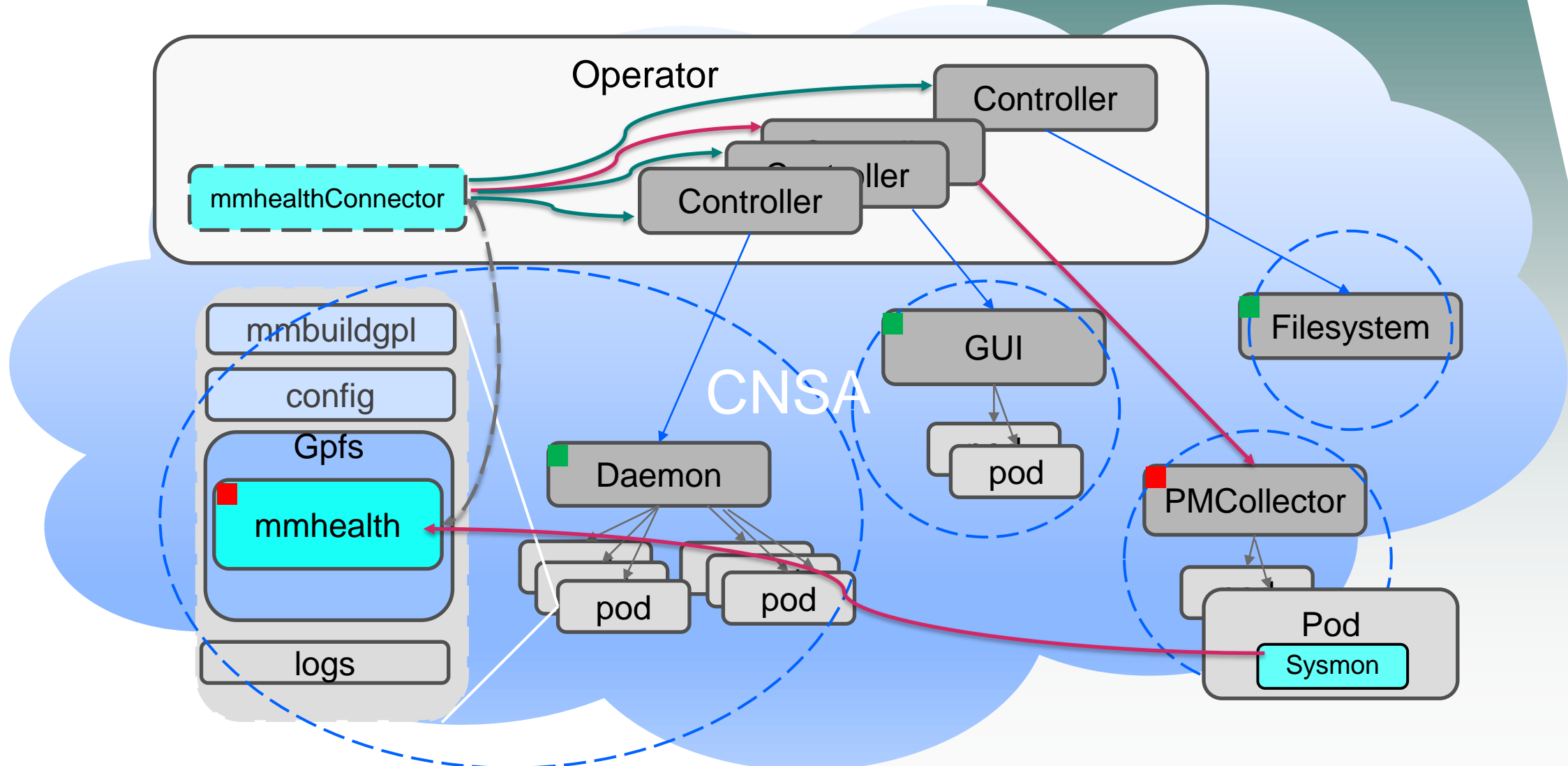




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# Health Status representation in CNSA

## Kubernetes API conventions

Every Kubernetes object includes two nested object :

- Spec - a complete description of the **desired state**
- Status - the **current state** of the object in the system

### Status Condition

- contains **details** for one aspect of the current state of the resource

### Events

- provide **additional information** for debugging and tracing, akin to log messages

## CNSA implementation

„**Healthy**“ Condition added to the status of a most important CNSA resources: Daemon, Filesystem, Pmcollector, GUI

MMHEALTH status is the source of the Healthy condition

MMHEALTH events passed through and published to a resource



## Healthy Condition

- Type - **Healthy**
- Status - **True**, **False**, or **Unknown**
- Reason - Health status obtained by mmhealth
- Message - short message including 3 most important happenings causing the last status transition

# Health Status representation in CNSA



```
[root@ocpl-helper ~]#
[root@ocpl-helper ~]# oc get Pmcollector ibm-spectrum-scale-pmcollector -o json |jq '.status.conditions[]'
{
  "lastTransitionTime": "2023-03-16T17:13:31Z",
  "message": "The pmcollector resources have been created successfully.",
  "reason": "Configured",
  "status": "True",
  "type": "Success"
}
{
  "lastTransitionTime": "2023-03-16T17:13:32Z",
  "message": "The mmhealth state of the Perfmon ibm-spectrum-scale-pmcollector changed to Degraded, because of: pmsensors_down.",
  "reason": "Degraded",
  "status": "False",
  "type": "Healthy"
}
[root@ocpl-helper ~]# oc get event --namespace ibm-spectrum-scale --field-selector involvedObject.name=ibm-spectrum-scale-pmcollector,involvedObject.kind=Pmcollector
LAST SEEN   TYPE      REASON          OBJECT                                     MESSAGE
5m17s       Warning   pmsensors_down  pmcollector/ibm-spectrum-scale-pmcollector  The pmsensors service should be 0, but is 1. (worker0.daemon.i
bm-spectrum-scale.stg.ocpl.vmlocal.)
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Project: ibm-spectrum-scale ▾

Pmcollectors > Pmcollector details

**P** ibm-spectrum-scale-pmcollector Actions ▾

Details YAML

**Pmcollector details**

**Name**  
ibm-spectrum-scale-pmcollector

**Conditions**

Type	Status	Updated	Reason	Message
Success	True	🕒 16. März 2023, 18:13	Configured	The pmcollector resources have been created successfully.
Healthy	False	🕒 16. März 2023, 18:13	<b>Degraded</b>	The mmhealth state of the Perfmon ibm-spectrum-scale-pmcollector changed to Degraded, because of: pmsensors_down.

# Health Status representation in CNSA



```
[root@ocpl-helper ~]# oc exec worker0 -c gpfs -n ibm-spectrum-scale -- /opt/IBM/zimon/sbin/pmsensors -C /etc/scale-pmsensors-configuration/ZIMonSensors.cfg -R /var/run/perfmon
SensorFactory: CPU registered
SensorFactory: Memory registered
SensorFactory: Network registered
SensorFactory: TopProc registered
SensorFactory: Netstat registered
SensorFactory: Diskstat registered
```

```
Mar-16 18:07:42 [Info ]: Successfully read configuration from file /etc/scale-pmsensors-configuration/ZIMonSensors.cfg
```

```
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[root@ocpl-helper ~]# oc get Pmcollector ibm-spectrum-scale-pmcollector -o json |jq '.status.conditions[]'
```

```
{
  "lastTransitionTime": "2023-03-16T18:08:06Z",
  "message": "The pmcollector resources have been created successfully.",
  "reason": "Configured",
  "status": "True",
  "type": "Success"
}
{
  "lastTransitionTime": "2023-03-16T18:08:07Z",
  "message": "The mmhealth state of the Perfmon ibm-spectrum-scale-pmcollector changed to Healthy.",
  "reason": "Healthy",
  "status": "True",
  "type": "Healthy"
}
```

```
[root@ocpl-helper ~]# oc get event --namespace ibm-spectrum-scale --field-selector involvedObject.name=ibm-spectrum-scale-pmcollector,involvedObject.kind=Pmcollector
```

LAST SEEN	TYPE	REASON	OBJECT	MESSAGE
77s	Normal	pmsensors_up	pmcollector/ibm-spectrum-scale-pmcollector	The state of pmsensors service, as expected, is 0. (worker0.daemon.ibm-spectrum-scale.stg.ocpl.vmlocal.)
55m	Warning	pmsensors_down	pmcollector/ibm-spectrum-scale-pmcollector	The pmsensors service should be 0, but is 1. (worker0.daemon.ibm-spectrum-scale.stg.ocpl.vmlocal.)

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## Events

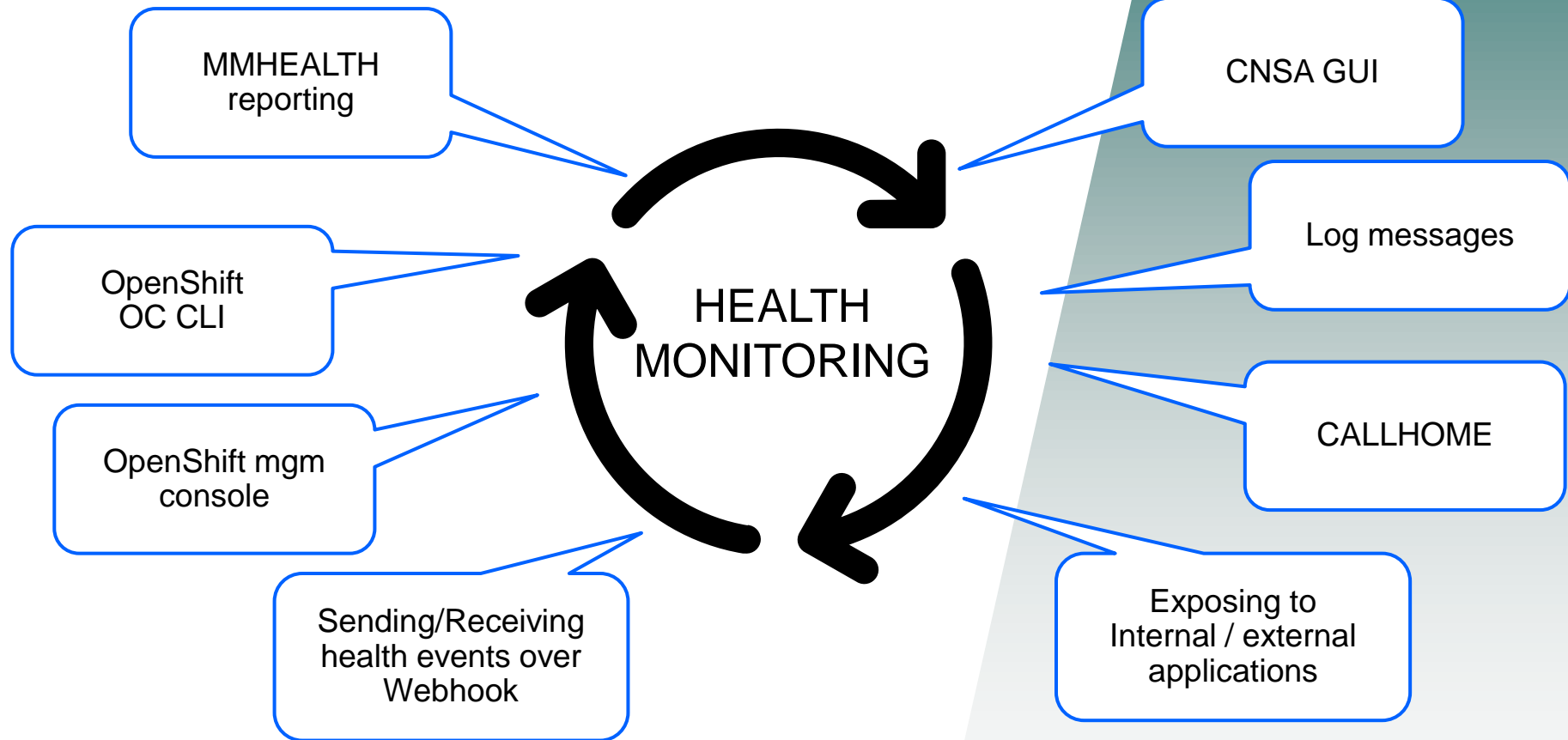
Resources 1 ▾ All types ▾ Pmcollector /

Resource A All x x

Streaming events... Showing 2 events

<b>ibm-spectrum-scale-pmcollector</b> Generated from Pmcollector	<b>ibm-spectrum-scale</b>	16. März 2023, 19:08 2 times in the last 4 days
The state of pmsensors service, as expected, is 0. (worker0.daemon.ibm-spectrum-scale.stg.ocp1.vmlocal.)		
<b>ibm-spectrum-scale-pmcollector</b> Generated from Pmcollector	<b>ibm-spectrum-scale</b>	16. März 2023, 18:13
The pmsensors service should be 0, but is 1. (worker0.daemon.ibm-spectrum-scale.stg.ocp1.vmlocal.)		

# Consistent Scale Status Reporting



<https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/spectrum-scale/5.1.7?topic=monitoring>  
<https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/scalecontainernative?topic=517-monitoring>



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