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With Amy Brown, Saint Paul Police Department, Bree Adams-Bill and Shelley Johnson-Cline, Saint Paul Intervention Project
Quick Overview of Institutional Analysis

Institutional Analysis:
Tools for ongoing evaluation & problem-solving

Options
- Use the complete range of community assessment methods
  - Mapping
  - Focus groups
  - Interviews
  - Observations
  - Case file/document analysis
- Best Practice Assessment Guides or checklists, available at www.praxisinternational.org
Context in Saint Paul

Supportive conditions…
- Internal audit of advocacy
- Developing local trust and buy-in
- Received funding for audit

The Saint Paul Audit
- The team
- Timeline and data collection
- Voices of women
Recommendations and policy development

Praxis International – Technical assistance on analyzing institutional responses to violence against women

Gap: Adequate understanding of the nature of the violence, intimidation, and/or coercion in each case

Audit gap...  Blueprint solution...

- Absence of comprehensive knowledge base on risk and danger  - Blueprint Practitioner’s Guide to Risk and Danger (see handout)
### Adequate understanding of the nature of the violence, intimidation, and/or coercion in each case

**Audit gap...**  
- Patrol officers inconsistently gathering information about history, context, risk, and danger

**Blueprint solution...**  
- 3 risk questions

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### 3 risk questions...

- Do you think he/she will seriously injure or kill you or your children? What makes you think so? What makes you think not?
- How frequently and seriously does he/she intimidate, threaten, or assault you? Is it changing? Getting worse? Better?
- Describe the time you were the most frightened or injured by him/her.

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### Gap: Agency-specific procedures need better coordination across the system
Better coordination across the system

Audit gap...

- Information-gathering & sharing protocols need to be developed

Blueprint solution...

- 911 CAD reports
- Patrol report checklist

Better coordination across the system

Audit gap...

- Lack of comprehensive inter-agency quality control & accountability system

Blueprint solution...

- Blueprint monitoring protocol
- Ongoing practice assessment

Gap: Need access to adequate assessment tools & resources
Assessment tools & resources
Audit gap... Blueprint solution...

▪ Set priorities for domestic violence cases with specific criteria
▪ 3 risk questions
▪ Risk assessment at every point of intervention
▪ Prioritizing GOAs
▪ Etc.

Assessment tools & resources
Audit gap... Blueprint solution...

▪ Need improved database systems, cameras, new tech, etc.
▪ Implementation funding allowed for this

Need access to adequate assessment tools & resources
Audit gap... Blueprint solution...

▪ Too few people handling too many cases
▪ Interagency information-sharing protocols include highlighted information related to risk and danger
Summary & Conclusions

Next steps…

▪ Review the tools, resources, and examples at praxisinternational.org
  ▪ Go to Our Programs, Institutional Analysis/Community Assessment
▪ Contact Praxis staff for individualized consultation
▪ Attend the 2014 Community Assessment Institute: April 29 – May 2, Saint Paul, Minnesota

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