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With Amy Brown, Saint Paul Police Department,
Bree Adams-Bill and Shelley Johnson-Cline, Saint Paul Intervention Project

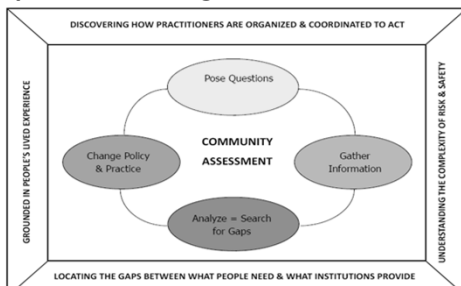


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Quick Overview of Institutional Analysis

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Institutional Analysis: Tools for ongoing evaluation & problem-solving



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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

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Context in Saint Paul

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Supportive conditions...

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

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The Saint Paul Audit

- The team
- Timeline and data collection
- Voices of women

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**Recommendations
and policy
development**

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**Gap: Adequate
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**Adequate understanding of the
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Audit gap...	Blueprint solution...
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Absence of comprehensive knowledge base on risk and danger	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Blueprint Practitioner’s Guide to Risk and Danger (see handout)

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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

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.

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

Better coordination across the system

Audit gap...	Blueprint solution...
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Information-gathering & sharing protocols need to be developed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">911 CAD reportsPatrol report checklist

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Better coordination across the system

Audit gap...	Blueprint solution...
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Lack of comprehensive inter-agency quality control & accountability system	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Blueprint monitoring protocolOngoing practice assessment

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Gap: Need access to adequate assessment tools & resources

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Assessment tools & resources

Audit gap...	Blueprint solution...
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Set priorities for domestic violence cases with specific criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 3 risk questions▪ Risk assessment at every point of intervention▪ Prioritizing GOAs▪ Etc.

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Assessment tools & resources

Audit gap...	Blueprint solution...
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Need improved database systems, cameras, new tech, etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Implementation funding allowed for this

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Need access to adequate assessment tools & resources

Audit gap...	Blueprint solution...
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Too few people handling too many cases	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Interagency information-sharing protocols include highlighted information related to risk and danger

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Summary & Conclusions

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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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