

How Connected Are We?

Using Social Network Analysis to Unveil Cross-Sector Alignment

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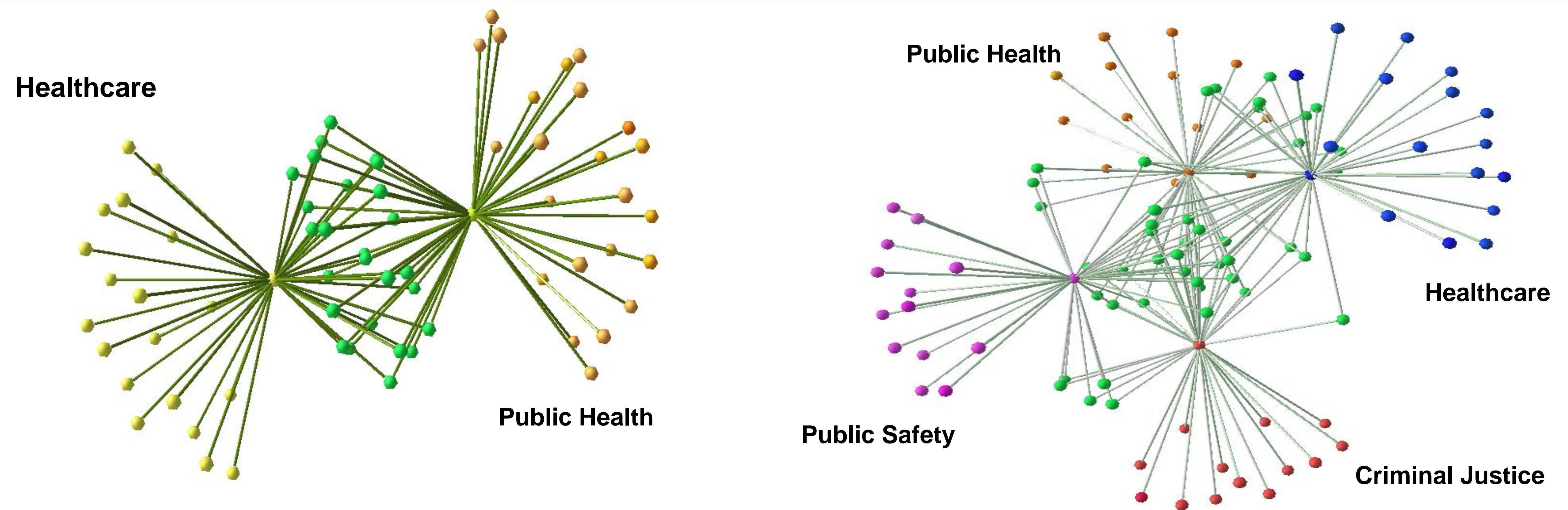
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Introduction

Healthier, Safer, More Prosperous Milwaukee (HSP-MKE) is a group of committed leaders and practitioners that emerged in 2014 to advance cross-sector and community-informed policies and practices that enhance safety, health, and development in Milwaukee neighborhoods and beyond. The purpose of HSP-MKE is promoting shared understanding, fostering cross-sector alignments, and shaping strategic solutions so all Milwaukee neighborhoods and communities thrive.



Results



Network	Density
Criminal Justice and Public Safety	0.70
Public Health and Healthcare	0.69
Community and Economic Development	0.67
Community Development, Economic Development, Criminal Justice, and Public Safety	0.45
Criminal Justice, Public Safety, Public Health, and Healthcare	0.45
Community Development, Economic Development, Public Health, and Healthcare	0.44
Community Development, Economic Development, Criminal Justice, Public Safety, Public Health, and Healthcare	0.35

Methods

Approach:

- Agencies and programs working well at the intersection of safety, health, and development were identified at a series of meetings and events.
- Survey was developed and distributed to the identified agencies and programs.
 - Data on each agency or program's primary sector focus and partner agencies in each sector were collected.

Analysis:

- ORA-LITE software used – a dynamic, meta-network assessment and analysis tool developed by researchers at Carnegie Mellon
- Three-dimensional social networks generated and density statistics computed.

Discussion

Observations:

- The patterns among the networks are similar.
- The networks between similar sectors (e.g. Public Health and Healthcare; Criminal Justice and Public Safety, etc) are well-connected.
- As the networks cross sectors, the strength of the networks decreases and the network connections become more complex.

Next Steps:

- Review and determine if and how to engage with the agencies and programs that bridge and intersect across sectors in the networks.
- Assess the less dense networks – these are more dynamic with more opportunity to access information and ideas, and strengthen the connections.



Layton Boulevard West Neighbors, Inc.

Mission Statement

Layton Boulevard West Neighbors (LBWN) builds strong and healthy neighborhoods in the City of Milwaukee by stabilizing and revitalizing the Silver City, Burnham Park and Layton Park communities. These Southside neighborhoods are some of Milwaukee's most diverse and economically vibrant.

Description of Organization

LBWN fosters community and economic development in the Southside Milwaukee neighborhoods of Silver City, Burnham Park and Layton Park.

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Provides a direct service to clients

Intended population: LBWN offers cultural and ethnic diversity with long-time homeowners, young families with children, new arrivals from around the world, and everyone in between.

Focuses on a particular geographic area

Area: Silver City, Burnham Park, Layton Park (53215)

Provides the following indirect services:

- ✓ Coordination
- Other: Neighborhood stabilization and revitalization