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Improving assessment impacts on decision-making:

Find the proper ingredients,
blend them,
and poor over with a soothing sauce

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Outline

1. Introduction: theory (2 min)

2. Finding the HIA Housing ingredients (4 min)

3. Blending HIA Housing ingredients (2 min)

4. Poor HIA Housing ingredients over with a soothing sauce (2 min)

5. Discussion (5 min)

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Introduction: theory

> Knowledge Utilization studies: policy analysis of (un)healthy decisions

> Sociology of the Sciences: boundaries between IA and policy

> Organizational learning: tacit knowledge and organizational capacities

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Introduction: theory

Key concepts:

> Utilization of HIA by policy makers is the result of:

> Interactions HIA arena - policy arena, based on:

> Individual perceptions, preferences, capabilities

> Institutional capacities and rules of the game

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Finding the HIA Housing ingredients

Actors, perceptions, preferences, capabilities,
   organizational capacity and rules of the game in the:

1. HIA arena

2. Policy arena

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Blending HIA Housing ingredients

Interactions before the HIA:

> Screening workshop

> Preparatory meetings ministries Health and Housing

During:

> Meetings with researchers and Advisory committee

After:

> Discussion on Dutch HIA practitioners meeting

> Discussion at IAIA 2003

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Poor HIA Housing ingredients over with a soothing sauce

How can we manage HIA Housing utilization by policy-makers?

> Process oriented network constitution and management: blending actors

> Content oriented boundary work: clarifying and blending empirical and normative issues

> Communities of Practice: mobilizing prior and tacit knowledge at the Housing implementation level

> Organizational capacity

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Discussion (5 min)

What do the concepts for analysis reveal in the Housing case?

> Policy analysis: importance of policy implementation arena for HIA?

> Sociology of science: dominance of expert driven approach legitimate?

> Knowledge management: tacit experience at the practice level and organizational capacity HIA commissioner?

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Discussion

Concept 'HIA utilization by policy-makers' less suitable

Alternative: 'impact' on policy

Conditions: HIA not only hook up with long term strategy and planning, network management, but also organize tacit experiences for policy- makers, implementation actors, and affected community