Adolescent Violence: Problem Analysis Diagram

**Economics/Social/Policy Level**

**Economics**
- Unequal mobility options
- High unemployment rates
- Monetary dependence
- Gendered earning potentials

**Social Issues**
- Cultural views on gender roles
- Societal views on gender roles
- Women’s health not a priority
- Lack of examples of healthy relationships
- Mental health not priority/limited resources
- Drug & alcohol abuse

**Policy**
- Women’s health issues not a priority
- Impacted jails
- Weak community sanctions against interpersonal

**Family/Community/Institutional Level**

**Family/Home**
- Individual’s experience of healthy relationship
- Family history of abuse
- Not recognizing the signs of abuse for both victim & perpetrator
- Poor or no connection with a caring adult
- Violence in the home
- Blaming the victim

**Community/Environment**
- Violent peers
- Poor or no examples/exposure to healthy relationship models
- Neighborhood violence
- Limited or not access to treatment or support resources
- Blaming the victim
- Limited economic opportunities
- Unable to leave or get help

**School/Healthcare Institutions**
- Limited or no screening for dating violence
- Lack of resources for preventative care/education on healthy relationships
- Lack of knowledge on the part of professionals/providers on what the signs of abuse are to both victim & perpetrator
- Interventions not offered or available for risks

**Individual Level**

**Knowledge**
- Having friends/family in violent relationships
- Lack of knowledge about health relationships

**Health Behaviors/Status**
- Mental health issues
- Drugs or alcohol abuse
- Aggressive conflict response style
- Poor communication skills
- Co-dependency issues
- History of aggressive behavior/bullying
- Prior use of aggression with partners
- Jealousy/control

**Beliefs/Attitudes**
- Belief that violence is deserved
- Belief that violence is acceptable & appropriate
- Desire of control & power
- Low self-worth

**Psychological**
- Belief low self-esteem or self-efficacy

**Target Outcome(s):**
- Physical, sexual, or psychological/emotional violence within a teen dating relationship

**Consequences:**
Unhealthy, abusive or violent relationships can contribute to poor school outcomes, binge drinking, suicide attempts, physical fighting, & increase teen pregnancy rates. Victims & perpetrators may carry the patterns of violence into future relationships.