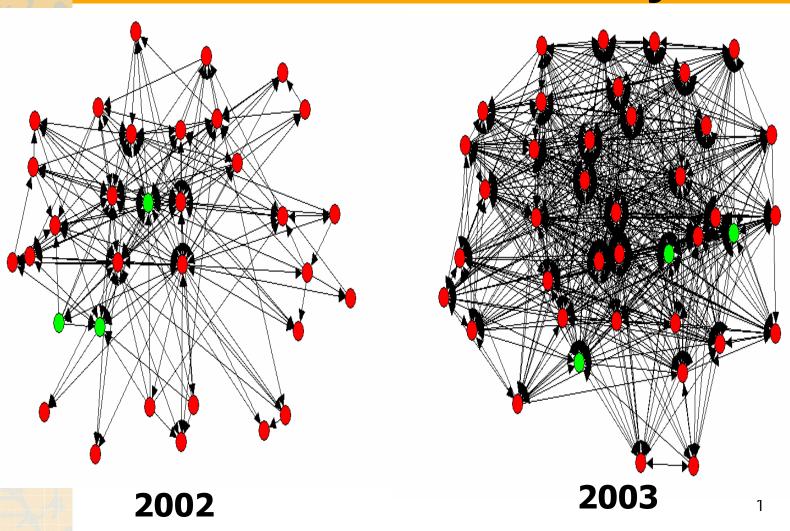
## Bridgeport Safe Start: Social Network Analysis



## **Notes**

- More detailed information about the structure of the network comes from focusing on the relationships between only those agencies that participated in the survey. Thus, there were 33 agencies in the 2002 survey network and 40 agencies in the 2003 survey network.
- Network diagrams in this slide: Each "dot" is an agency (the green dots are the BSSI-funded agencies) and each line is a collaborative relationships, with the arrows indicating the direction of the relationship (outreach, recognition, or reciprocal). The comparison of the 2 graphs illustrates the increase in the number of collaborative relationships in the network both overall and in terms of having more direct relationships.
- As this slide depicts the results of the social network analyses revealed that there was a significant increase in collaborative relationships, both one way (outreach and engagement) and reciprocal. The results also revealed that there was a closer network with more direct collaboration occurring.
- Our focus group data further verified this finding where providers AND consumers reported increased levels of collaboration among providers.
- Additionally, the providers indicated that the increase in collaboration was a direct result of Safe Start cross-agency trainings as providers got to know what other agencies do and the providers at these agencies, they were more likely to collaborate.