Figure 1 Assessment in daily social work practice

## Normative

Frameworks and regulatory frameworks - (political assessment), for example: Common Assessment Frameworks, the Single Shared Assessment process (see Turney et al., 2011)

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Procedural assessment - (ritual –liturgical or prescriptive)

Understanding and critiquing the assessments employed by agencies and organisations and the ways in which these are conducted (Smale and Tuson, 1993; Preston-Shoot, 2012)

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Theoretically-influenced assessment - (**tribal** assessments), for example (Payne, 2005; Milner and O'Byrne, 2009):

- Evidence based practice (EBP)
- Psychodynamic assessments
- Cognitive-behavioural assessments
- Person-centred assessments
- Community assessments

Interpersonal assessment - (ritual – relational)

Critical reflection on the interpersonal processes involved in assessment (Ruch, 2013) – data choice and gathering; data analysis and interpretation; the impacts of relationship

**Adaptive**