

National Threat Evaluation and Reporting Program Office



As the threat landscape continues to evolve, the **National Threat Evaluation and Reporting (NTER) Program Office** empowers homeland security partners to adapt to new threats and prevent terrorism and targeted violence. The NTER Program Office equips homeland security partners with tools and resources to identify, report, and mitigate threats of terrorism and targeted violence to keep the Homeland safe.

Lines of Effort



Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) Initiative (NSI)

The NSI is a joint collaborative effort by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and F/SLTT law enforcement partners. It provides a standardized process for identifying and reporting suspicious behaviors in jurisdictions across the United States. NTER provides standards, policies, processes, and trainings that allow fusion centers and law enforcement agencies to easily share information to help identify and prevent terrorist threats.

SAR Technical Assistance

The success of the NSI depends on robust partnerships and collaboration with homeland security partners across all levels of government as well as the private sector.

NTER assists partners in improving and refining SAR processes and capabilities, resulting in increased reporting, investigation, and threat mitigation.

SAR Training and Program Management

- **SAR Training for Law Enforcement and Hometown Security Partners** - Brief online training videos for partners who may observe suspicious activity in the course of their duties.
- **Public-Facing SAR Fundamentals eLearning** - Virtual training for the public and private sector partners.
- **SAR Fundamentals and Processes eLearning** - Law Enforcement Sensitive virtual training for investigators and analysts who review, vet, investigate, and analyze SAR.

SAR Points-of-Contact Program

The SAR Points-of-Contact (POC) Program provides information sharing and best practices to a cadre of SAR practitioners from across the National Fusion Center Network. Through the SAR POC Program, the NTER Office provides sustained and ad-hoc technical assistance services, identifying potential emerging threats and operational needs.



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Behavioral Threat Assessment Integration

Behavioral Threat Assessment Integration (BTAI) builds on the NSI's foundation by helping F/SLTT agencies develop the capacity to fill a national gap in addressing tips and leads that may not meet existing criminal or terrorism thresholds, but are indicative of threatening or concerning behavior. By providing a framework for behavioral threat assessment and management (BTAM), NTER is preparing partners to adapt to the changing threat environment and help mitigate threats, regardless of motive.

Through partner capacity building and information sharing, NTER engages with F/SLTT and private sector partners to help integrate a behavioral approach to terrorism and targeted violence prevention through an adaptable four-step model: **identify, investigate, assess, and manage**.

Partner Capacity Building

NTER collaborates with F/SLTT partners to educate communities on a behavioral approach to violence prevention. NTER develops resources and training materials to enhance prevention capabilities across state and local agencies.

Master Trainer Program

The NTER **Master Trainer Program (MTP)** certifies F/SLTT partners in the instruction of BTAM techniques and best practices. This instructor development and certification program prepares F/SLTT partners - including community, law enforcement, school safety, and workplace violence prevention partners - to train their local communities and empower homeland partners to help mitigate threats and prevent acts of terrorism and targeted violence.



Certified Master Trainers Receive...

- ❖ Certification from the DHS Office of Intelligence & Analysis
- ❖ Comprehensive and adaptable instructional materials and toolkits in BTAM
- ❖ Access to a national network of experts
- ❖ Exclusive webinars and case debriefs



Foundations of Targeted Violence Prevention eLearning

NTER partnered with the Wisconsin Department of Justice and the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction to release an eLearning module to educate the public on threatening or potentially concerning behaviors and where to report them, providing an opportunity for intervention to prevent targeted violence from occurring.

This one-hour training is publicly available to F/SLTT and Private Sector Homeland Security Partners and Community Members **through the DHS public-facing website**.

Information Sharing

NTER provides **continuing education opportunities** to homeland security partners. These information sharing efforts bring together experts and research from a variety of disciplines to provide operational awareness of emerging trends and topics in BTAM, targeted violence, and violence prevention.



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