



Suspicious Activity Reporting Analysis Training and Technical Assistance for Fusion Center Analysts

Significant progress has been made by the National Network of Fusion Centers to enhance its ability to execute Critical Operational Capability (COC) 2: *Analyze*. The incorporation of suspicious activity reporting (SAR) into fusion center analytic processes is a priority focus that will support achievement of the COCs. To accelerate the incorporation of SAR within fusion center analytic processes, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Nationwide SAR Initiative (NSI) are supporting delivery of the following services for analysts.

(U//LES) Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) Fundamentals and Processes eLearning

This four-hour foundational course provides an overview of the NSI to ensure that fusion center analysts are able to recognize terrorism-related pre-incident indicators and fully understand the evaluation process used to determine whether identified behavior meets the Information Sharing Environment (ISE)-SAR Functional Standard criteria, in accordance with privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections. This course also reviews the technical processes and procedures for submitting a SAR into the NSI SAR Data Repository (SDR).

Standardized Technical Assistance Consultation and Scenario-Based Training Program

This technical assistance strategy and scenario-based training program is intended to strengthen information sharing and enhance partners' ability to identify, report, and mitigate threats of terrorism and targeted violence. The curriculum and strategic objectives of the training are designed to provide robust training and technical assistance (TTA) to federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial fusion centers to enhance their SAR capabilities as participants in the NSI. The TTA culminates in an interactive, on-site course that is designed to increase participant awareness of suspicious activity reporting and addresses programmatic challenges through instruction and practical application SAR scenarios.

SAR Analysis Technical Assistance

The SAR Analysis Technical Assistance service is a facilitated on-site delivery designed to assist with the SAR analysis process conducted by fusion center personnel. Included in this assistance are the following:

- ▲ Review of the ISE-SAR Functional Standard
- ▲ Review of fusion center workflow for vetting of SARs
- ▲ Review of fusion center policy for the receipt and dissemination of SARs
- ▲ Hands-on utilization of the eGuardian search tool

Ad-hoc technical assistance support is available in conjunction with the Standardized Technical Assistance Consultation and Scenario-Based Training Program or as a separate stand-alone offering.

Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) Fundamentals and Processes eLearning

- ISE-SAR Functional Standard
- Protecting privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties
- Submitting SARs
- NSI SAR Data Repository



Standardized Technical Assistance Consultation (STAC) and Scenario-Based Training Program

- Covers methods and approaches for SAR analysis
- Evaluating SARs
- Analysis of SAR trends, relationships, and patterns
- Leverages scenarios to screen for compliant ISE-SAR submissions

For More Information

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