

Enduring Sciences Branch – 3 roles

1. Provide scientific advisement across department
2. Technical direction to technical programs at S&T for research and scoping
3. Fund and direct fundamental research that moves the science forward on key mission spaces

(b)(6),(b)(7)(c) - Former SUNY Albany professor – PhD in economics – violent extremism, hate crimes, politically motivated violence

(b)(6),(b)(7)(c) – about a year there so far – before that, worked on a lot of S&T studies – FBI international – lot of work focused on over one of the main studies – risk assessment tools & models – models that might work but lack an evidentiary support – validating models – 6 years – opening here and switched over and help to manage work on the federal side

- Linked in with strategic framework and strategic implementation framework of the OTVTP
- Ties to priority actions in the implementation plan
- (b)(6),(b)(7)(c) also tied to OTVTP
- Social Scientists at S&T are an anomaly – most are physical engineers and engineers – only 5 social scientists

Work with: FFRDCs (trusted partners)

- long term IDIQ indefinite indefinite quantity
- MITRE and RAND are the ones that work with RAND

Office for University Programs (Manages the centers of excellence) – 8 to 10 that all have different mission spaces – START center

- Brand new center March 2020 – NCITE
- (b)(6),(b)(7)(c) – current senior undersecretary for training – was the first program manager on NCITE

Targeted broad agency announcements

ORBAA (more info) – just did a webinar on Tuesday ***Can get us a link***

- 23 topic areas – can pick anything within those

Research Triangle Institute (RTI) – no profit do a lot of survey research

If we want to request training topics to fill operational gaps:

- Program Managers – short term research to fill ops gaps – (b)(6),(b)(7)(c) for I&A?
- Each component should have a centralized ways to gather research and dev gaps and move them up to (b)(6),(b)(7)(c)

They work with research desks on special topics:

1. Human trafficking
2. How workplaces adopt tech
3. Terrorism & tv prevention
4. Countering disinformation

Their bread and butter – Evaluation of programs

- Capability dev and enhancement
- Share research results with partner countries (5Is + Sweden)

Challenge – in order to do the data dev we need to do to deal with exolving threats – research needs to come from open source media and specifically open source social media – currently running into a problem (haven’t been officially told, but warned by privacy and legal) that we do not have the authorities to use social media to conduct research

*****Get an answer*****

****LIST.SERV associated with their research website** notifications for new posted articles**

Haven’t worked with partnerships and engagements as much in terrorism –

1. Nationwide 211 – working with them to help create and evaluate protocols for callers for people calling in with issues of targeted violence and terrorism
 - a. List of 10 things but none of the, related to friend or family member being “concerning” – there is a gap – now two options, call local LE or do nothing

Study might be interested in – more research might have been done since study ended – evaluation of the CVE pilot cities LA and Boston – Professor from Illinois-Chicago and Public Health school at UCLA – teams with LA Dep of Mental Health