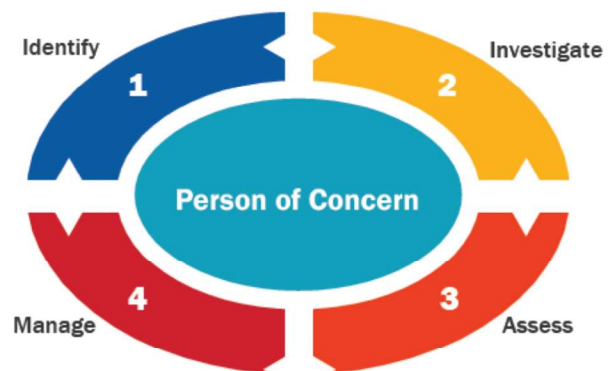


National Threat Evaluation and Reporting Behavioral Threat Assessment



The United States continues to adapt to an evolving threat environment as targeted violence permeates our communities. Traditional reporting and investigative methods alone are no longer sufficient for addressing threats to the Homeland. **Behavioral Threat Assessment (BTA)** was originally developed by the United States Secret Service, to protect the President in advance of a potential threat. However, BTA has been tailored and is currently applied in various sectors to prevent violence and address threats regardless of motive or ideology.

BTA is a proactive, evidenced-based method of investigation and analysis that focuses on an individual's patterns of thinking and behavior to determine whether, and to what extent, a subject is moving toward an attack. It applies a four-step process—identify, investigate, assess and manage—to prevent potential incidents of targeted violence.



BUILDING A TEAM

BTA utilizes a multidisciplinary team approach. A BTA team consists of professionals from various disciplines, such as law enforcement and mental health. They work together to leverage their experiences, expertise, and judgement to help mitigate multifaceted threats.

BUILDING A CULTURE OF SHARED RESPONSIBILITY



The National Threat Evaluation and Reporting (NTER) Master Trainer Program is a train-the-trainer initiative that certifies federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial homeland security partners in BTA techniques and best practices. Our mission is to provide our Master Trainers with the resources, technical support, and continuing education they need to assist in preventing targeted attacks and ensure the safety and security of their communities.

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