



Secret Service Training Workshop

A free two-part, in-person Secret Service Training Workshop is being offered by the South Carolina Fire Academy in collaboration with two branches of the United States Secret Service, the Critical Protective Analysis Group (CPAG), and the National Threat Assessment Center (NTAC). South Carolina fire, police, EMS, and dispatch personnel are invited to attend.

The CPAG will present information related to pre-operation surveillance, improvised explosive devices, penetrating perimeter security, domestic terrorism, homegrown violent extremists, active shooters, sovereign citizens, motorcade attacks, and coordinated attacks.

The NTAC will present on the findings and recommendations from its latest research study: *Mass Attacks in Public Spaces - 2019*. The findings from this study, which analyzed 34 incidents of mass attacks in which three or more persons were harmed, indicate targeted violence is preventable. This presentation will focus on how communities can use a multidisciplinary approach to identify, assess, and intervene with individuals exhibiting concerning or threatening behaviors.

Registration Information

Date: Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2022

Time: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Lunch is on your own.

Location: S.C. Fire Academy, Denny Auditorium
141 Monticello Trail
Columbia, SC 29203

Registration: 7220-22-002 <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=74469>

Note: When completing your registration, you will be prompted to enter your Fire Department name. Click to search, and select the appropriate agency. If your agency is not listed, contact amy.williamson@llr.sc.gov.

About the Presenters

The Critical Protective Analysis Group, a subcomponent of the Threat Analysis Branch, has the mission of reviewing, evaluating, and disseminating intelligence regarding significant incidents and attacks by terrorist groups or individuals, including weapons, tactics, concealment methods, pre-operational planning, surveillance techniques, and evolving trends and technology.

Special Agent Tobey Porter is an agent assigned to the Critical Protective Analysis Group. He has been with the U.S. Secret Service for over 14 years. Prior to his position at CPAG, SA Porter was assigned to the Chicago Field Office, Washington Field Office, Counter Assault Team, Dignitary Protective Division, and Counter Surveillance Division. As a member of the USSS CPAG, SA Porter assists in teaching Terrorism Trends and Tactics for Secret Service personnel and has also provided briefings to federal, state, and local law enforcement entities. SA Porter has a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Toledo, and a Master's degree in Criminology from Indiana State University.

The National Threat Assessment Center was established as a component of the Secret Service in 1998 to provide research and guidance in direct support of the Secret Service protective mission, and to others with public safety responsibilities. The center's staff is composed of a multidisciplinary team of social science researchers and regional program managers who support and empower our partners in law enforcement, schools, government, and other public and private sector organizations to combat the ever-evolving threat of targeted violence impacting communities across the United States.

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