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PlanSource Eclipse 2019: Active Shooter & Workplace Violence Mitigation Awareness

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Workplace Violence Prevention

Workplace Violence (WPV) Mitigation

- Workplace Homicides¹
- Workplace Violence Injuries¹
- Workforce witnessed an event²
- Workforce experienced violent event²
- Did not report incident
- HR professionals unsure what to do³
- HR professionals unaware WPV program³

- 500 (highest since 2010)
- 90,000 (approx.)
- 52%
- 28%
- 29%
- 19%
- 55%





<u>1 – Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2016</u>

^{2 –} National Security Survey by Allied Barton

^{3 –} SHRM 2019

Threatening Acts

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- Threats Categorized Using OSHA model:
 - Type I: Criminal Intent
 - Type II: Customer/Client
 - Type III: Worker-on-Worker
 - Type IV: Personal Relationship
- Also categorize the nature of any threats
- Other than direct threats
 - Observable behavioral indicators

Observable Indicators



- References to violence
- Obsession with violent themes
- Anger, intimidation, and bullying
- Repeated abusive or profane language
- Pattern of marked interpersonal conflict
- Allusions to violence against self h or others

- Persistent inappropriate anger or conflict
- Fighting or assault
- Any form of harassment
- Stalking of a targeted individual
- Defacing company property
- Unrealistic fears of being harmed

Escalation





Verbal De-Escalation



Verbal De-Escalation:

- Use calm language, along with other communication techniques
- Try to diffuse, re-direct, or deescalate a conflict situation.

Do:

Remain calm Show respect Focus on problem Alert co-workers Report the incident

Don't:

Argue or raise your voice Mimic an angry person's behavior

De-Escalation

Type I: Criminal Intent

Comply as much as possible

Type II: Customer/Client

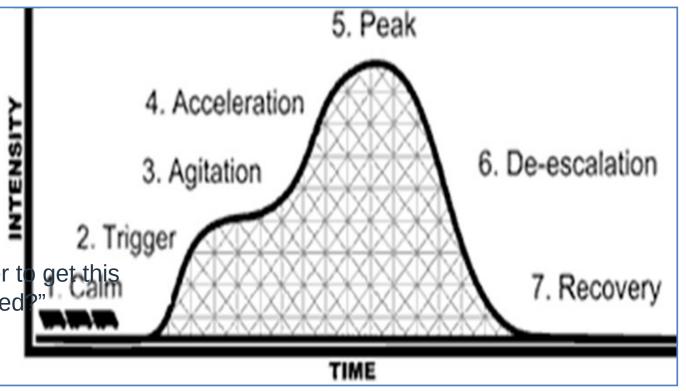
- "I'd be upset too, if I felt unfairly treated."
- "You have a strong sense of right and wrong"

Type III: Worker-on-Worker

 "So I can (better understand, help), what do you want or need in order to situation resolved?

Type IV: Personal Relationship

Threat Assessment





Threat Assessment

- Who is involved?
- How will it be conducted?
- What are you looking for?
- What are the personnel challenges?
- What are the triggers for escalation?

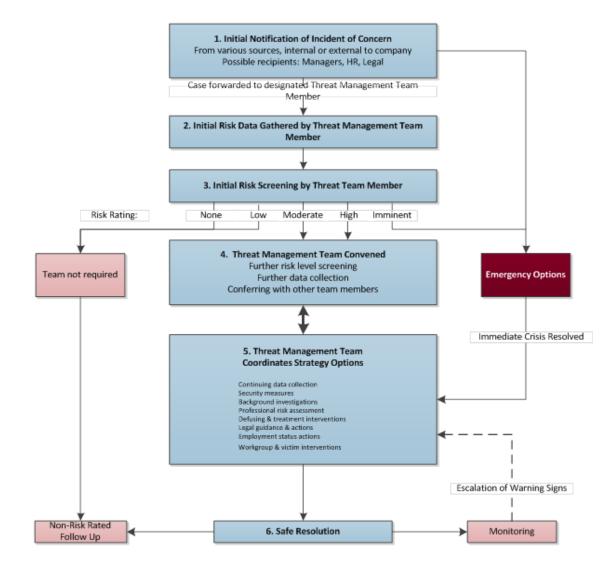
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Case Management







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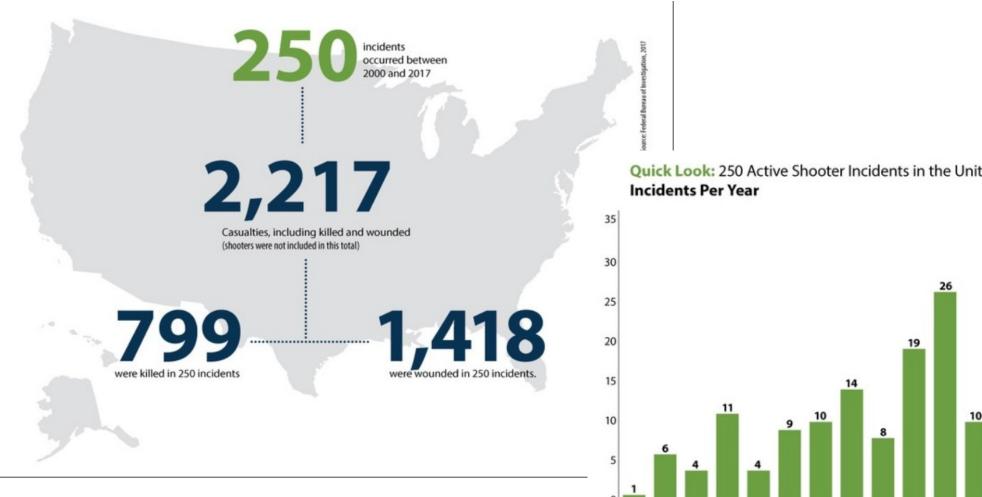
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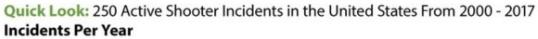
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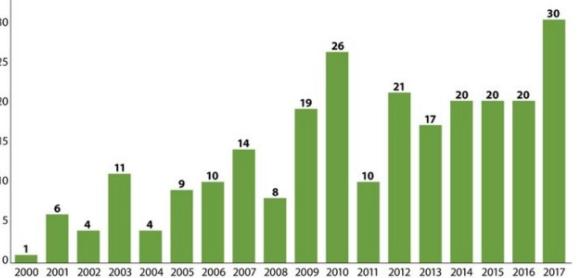
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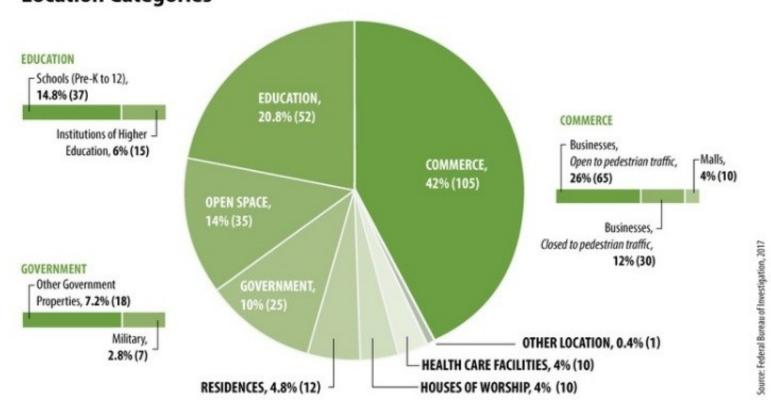




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Incidents by Location Type





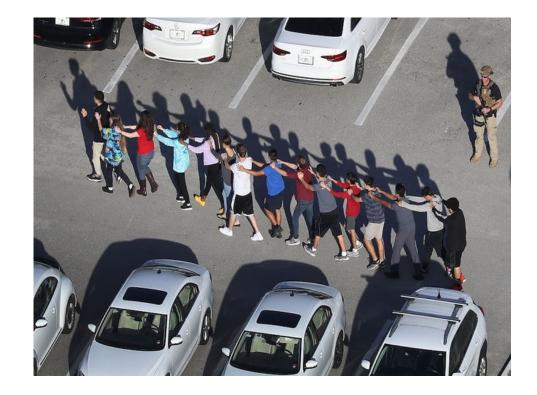
Quick Look: 250 Active Shooter Incidents in the United States From 2000 to 2017 Location Categories

Columbine (13/24)
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Mass Casualties

- Virginia Beach (12/4)
- Aurora Illinois (5/5)
- Thousands Oaks (12/10)
- Tree of Life (17/6)
- Santa Fe High School (10/13)
- Parkland High School (17/17)
- Sutherland Springs (26/20)
- Las Vegas (58/851)
- Pulse Nightclub (49/58)
- Charleston AME (9/1)
- Aurora, CO Theater (12/70)
- Sandy Hook (27/2)
- VA Tech (32/17)





Stages of an Active Shooter Incident



1. Fantasy Stage

- Creepy, very hostile or dark speech, drawings, writings, expression (*The subconscious cry for help/intervention*)
- 2. Planning Stage
 - Thoughts replaced by action, research, surveillance, declarative writings (manifesto)

3. Preparation Stage

Devotes time to gathering materials, forewarning friends

4. Approach Stage

• Very dangerous time. Heading toward the target. Has weapons on hand or hidden in place

5. Implementation Stage

· Shooter makes entry, executes plan, shooting (violence) begins



Time



- 5 -18 minutes*
 - Average Police Response
- 12 minutes
 - Average Active Shooter Event
- 3 minutes or less
 - 49% of Events Complete
- Best Means to Reduce Fatalities
 - Improve Civilian Response





- Denial
- Deliberation
- Decisive Moment



Police Priorities

- Primary priority is to eliminate the threat.
- Secondary priorities include:
 - Protecting the lives of the hostages(s)
 - Protecting the lives of innocent bystanders
 - Protecting the lives of police officers
 - Protecting the lives of the suspect(s)
 - Containing the situation
 - Not allowing the suspect(s) to escape
 - Not allowing individuals to enter the hot zone





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Active Shooter Protection & Prevention Measures



Planning and Preparedness

- Conduct threat analyses, vulnerability assessments, risk assessments, and security audits
- Develop comprehensive security and emergency response plan
- Conduct regular exercises:
 - Include employees, building management, security, and tenants
- Establish building evacuation and for shelterin-place procedures

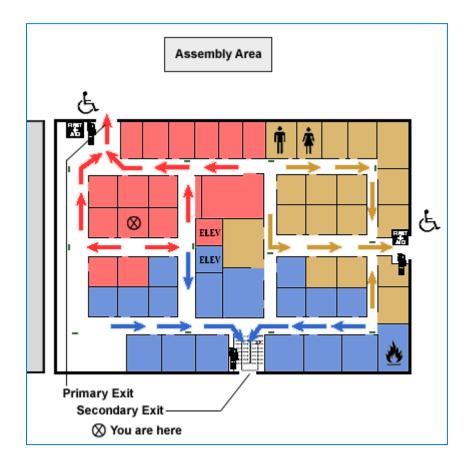




Preparation – Emergency Action Plans

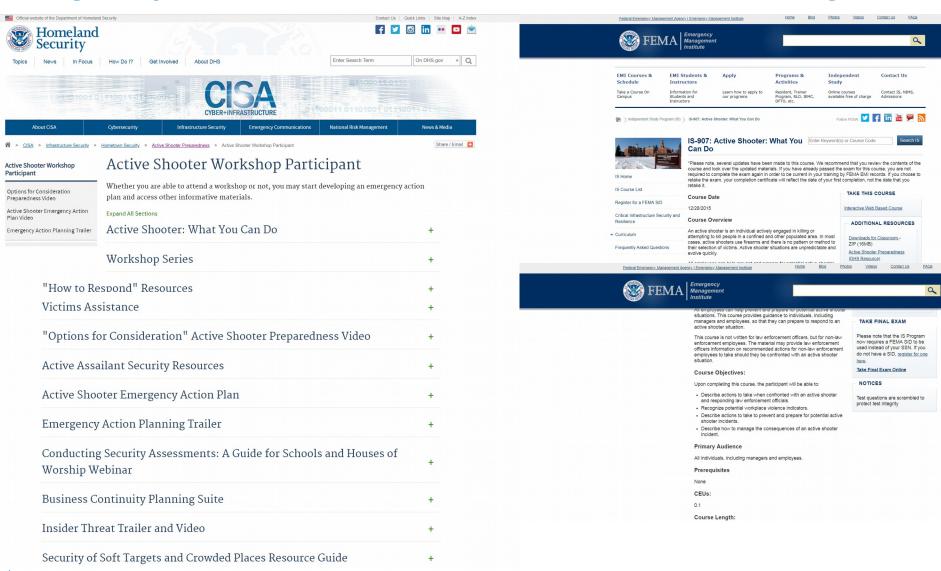
An effective EAP should include:

- A preferred reporting method for Active Shooter situations and other emergencies
- Emergency procedures:
 - Evacuation
 - Shelter in place
- Staff contact information and responsibilities
- Local area hospitals & law enforcement
- Emergency notification (Mass Notification)





Emergency Action Plans – DHS & FEMA Training





- Conduct thorough interviews
- Call references
- Consider background checks on all employees.
- Incorporate security into employee training
- Maintain an adequately sized, equipped, and trained security force
- Conduct regular drills



Access Control

- Photo IDs for employees
- IDs for contractors, vendors, temp workers
- Sign-in/sign-out and IDs for visitors
- Review building vehicle traffic patterns
- Keep vehicles distant from sensitive or critical areas.
- Remove or tow illegally parked vehicles
- Provide physical access controls
- Training for recognition of suspicious items
- Utilize surveillance (physical/personnel)





Communication and Notification

- Install Mass Communication Systems
- Develop Notification Protocols
- Develop Communication Processes
- Ensure Comprehension in Multiple Languages
- USE PLAIN LANGUAGE





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Response: Run, Hide, Fight





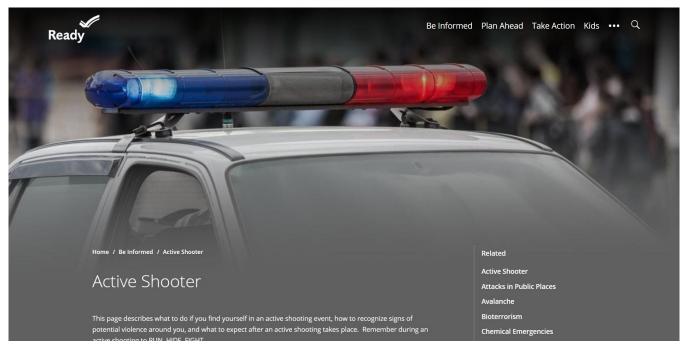
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Active Shooter Response

The Department of Homeland Security recommends:

- Run
- Hide
- Fight











- Have an escape route and plan in mind
- Evacuate regardless of whether others agree to follow
- Leave your belongings behind
- Help others escape, if possible
- Prevent individuals from entering an area where the active shooter may be
- Keep your hands visible
- Follow the instructions of any police officers
- Do not attempt to move wounded people
- Call 911 when you are safe



If **safe** to do so, provide 911 operators and Law Enforcement Officers with:

- Location of shooter
- Number of shooters
- Physical description of shooters
- Number and types of weapons
- Number of potential victims
- Follow dispatcher's or police instructions





- Hide out of the active shooter's view
- Physical barriers in case shots are fired in your direction
- Do not trap you or restrict your options for movement
- Lock the door
- Blockade the door with heavy furniture, file cabinets, etc.
- Improvise with available items
- Silence cell phone and remain quiet
- Turn off any source of noise
- Hide behind large items





As a last resort, and **only when your life is in imminent danger**, attempt to disrupt and/or incapacitate the active shooter by:

- Acting as aggressively as possible against him/her
- Throwing items and improvising weapons
- Yelling
- Commit to your actions

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Products & Insurance



Detection & Devices



- Gunshot Detection Devices
 - Tyco
 - ASI
 - Gentech

- Security Guards
- Metal Detectors
- Non-lethal Systems
 - Guardian8
 - Strobes
 - Strikepens
 - Whistles/Sonic

Insurance Coverage



- Active Shooter and WPV
 Insurance Coverage
 - Add-ons to EPLI
 - Add-on to D&O
 - Add-ons to K&R
 - Standalone Coverage

- McGowan Program Administrators
- AIG
- IPOA TerrororismPro

Thank you.

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