

# 2018 Specialized Analytic Seminar Series

Significant progress has been made by the National Network of Fusion Centers (National Network) and other field-based partners to enhance and execute analytic capabilities. In support of these efforts, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has offered a series of introductory and intermediate analytic courses to support the training of analysts in analytic competencies and tradecraft. To further support the execution of analytic capabilities, DHS is pleased to announce the 2018 Specialized Analytic Seminar Series.

The Specialized Analytic Seminar Series brings together a diverse range of state and local subject-matter experts (SMEs) and partner agencies/organizations (e.g., academic, think tank, federal) to inform analytic capabilities. The series addresses specialized-threat topic areas and the associated patterns, trends, skills, and resources necessary to effectively monitor and evaluate potential threats in the analyst's area of responsibility.

**Format** 

These  $1\frac{1}{2}$ - to 2-day seminars will be presented in the following format: (1) a detailed overview of the topic area from multiple SME perspectives, including associated patterns, trends, and potential impacts; (2) a dynamic presentation of case studies, tools, and/or resources; and (3) a discussion of

presentation of case studies, tools, and/or resources; and (3) a discussion of available training, techniques, and approaches to support implementation and/or enhancement of associated analytic capabilities.

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#### Seminar topics include:

- Narcotics
- Transnational Organized Crime
- Privacy, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties
- Domestic Terrorism

### Location

All seminars will be hosted at different locations. Please see the descriptions on the following page for seminar locations. The registration Web site also has additional details on seminar locations.

# **Target Audience**

Participation in this program is targeted to state and major urban area fusion center analysts, as well as analysts from High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Investigative Support Centers (ISC), Regional Information Sharing Systems® (RISS) Centers, and major city/county intelligence units. Each seminar will be limited to approximately 50 participants to foster dynamic, specialized interaction.

#### Costs

There is no cost to attend these events. Prospective attendees may be able to utilize grant funds from the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) to cover travel costs associated with this training. Contact your State Administrative Agency (SAA) training point of contact to ensure that attendance is coordinated and approved prior to registering for the course. The SAA may have specific requirements regarding training activities supported with HSGP funds.

# Registration

Analysts may register for each seminar at <a href="https://analyticseminar.gss.anl.gov/analytic/">https://analyticseminar.gss.anl.gov/analytic/</a>. This site includes additional details regarding registration and logistics.

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The 2018 Specialized Analytic Seminar Series will address the following topics in the context of intelligence operations and is designed for analysts who specialize in the respective topic areas:



#### **Narcotics**

#### Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, March 21-22, 2018

Narcotics represent both a national security and a homeland security threat that impact the health of individuals and the safety of communities. This seminar will examine successful frameworks for intelligence and analytic entities to collaborate with public health and public safety partners to identify indicators and trends; collect, analyze, and share timely and accurate information and data; and coordinate responses and enforcement initiatives. Participants will also explore opportunities to leverage existing national information sharing environment processes and platforms to facilitate the collection, analysis, and sharing of narcotics-related information and data. Partner organizations include the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Office of National Drug Control Policy, and associations representing state and local stakeholders.



## Transnational Organized Crime

#### Cheyenne, Wyoming, June 27-28, 2018

This seminar will examine transnational organized criminal activity, including indicators and trends associated with human and narcotics trafficking, money laundering, and human smuggling, as well as connections and intersections with illicit activities conducted by gangs and organized criminal groups. Partner organizations include the OCDETF Fusion Center (OFC), the Human Smuggling and Trafficking Center, and the National Gang Intelligence Center.



# Privacy, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties

#### Lincoln, Nebraska, September 26-27, 2018

This seminar will examine the issues and challenges related to the protection of privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties, including responses to violent extremism, while protecting First Amendment rights; collecting, analyzing, and disseminating information and products; and best practice policies and responses to protect privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties during intelligence and information sharing efforts. Partner organizations include the Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of Privacy and Civil Liberties, the DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, and the DHS Privacy Office.



#### **Domestic Terrorism**

#### Phoenix, Arizona, December 4-5, 2018

This seminar will examine recent trends, criminal tactics, and procedures associated with domestic terrorism. The seminar will also examine ideology, tactics, and criminal activity; violent threats/activity emanating from environmental rights criminals/extremists; responding to violent extremism while protecting First Amendment rights; and social media use by domestic terrorists. Partner organizations include the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

For More Information: https://analyticseminar.gss.anl.gov/analytic/