

ENSURING PREPAREDNESS

OVERVIEW

The Terrorism Prevention Exercise Program (TPEP), part of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)/National Exercise Division (NED), was established to enhance the Nation's terrorism prevention capabilities. Through conduct of prevention-focused exercises and support activities, TPEP is focused on increasing awareness and cooperation and improving information sharing at all levels of Government.

TPEP works closely with Fusion Centers and Federal, State, local, and tribal homeland security and law enforcement officials to assess preincident capabilities such as intelligence fusion, information sharing, coordination, and communication to improve participants' ability to detect, deter, and prevent threats to the homeland.

TPEP EXERCISE PROGRAM SUPPORT

TPEP integrates the *DHS Baseline Capabilities for State* and *Major Urban Area Fusion Centers* into its exercise criteria, providing Fusion Centers with opportunities to regularly participate in exercises that evaluate and validate their protection and prevention capabilities.

TPEP's goals are to:

- Evaluate prevention capabilities across the Nation
- Support Fusion Center development and information sharing environment implementation
- Refine and validate best models and methods for exercising prevention capabilities

TPEP is a fully funded DHS direct support program that provides discussion-based and operations-based exercises including:

- Fusion seminars
- Tabletop Exercises (TTXs)
- Games
- Information Sharing Environment Analysis (ISEA) Workshops
- Advanced Analytic Techniques Workshops (AATWs)
- Functional Exercises (FEs)

HOW WILL TPEP HELP MY JURISDICTION?

TPEP exercise evaluation enables participants to identify capability strengths and gaps, provides corrective actions, and allows for better supported and informed funding requests and investment justifications. Exercises provided by TPEP follow standard Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) exercise policy and methodology and are intended to serve as benchmark models for jurisdictions to improve their own exercise programs.

For more information on TPEP, or to receive assistance in planning, conducting, or evaluating a prevention exercise, contact **TPEP@dhs.gov** or visit the TPEP page hosted on **www.llis.gov.**

