

## Information Collection on Patrol (InCOP)

MIPT's InCOP course provides patrol officers and investigators with relevant, timely training to enhance information collection skills and suspicious activity reporting. Beginning with the fundamental skill of observation, InCOP 1 guides officers through the techniques of effective collection, The 2-Minute Interview<sup>®</sup> process, and Hypervigilance on Patrol<sup>SM</sup>, while emphasizing the need to protect civil liberties and privacy. By recognizing that it is only through surprise that criminals and terrorists can be effective, officers will re-sharpen the skills needed to be the dominant force in their domain... regardless of the nature of their assignment.

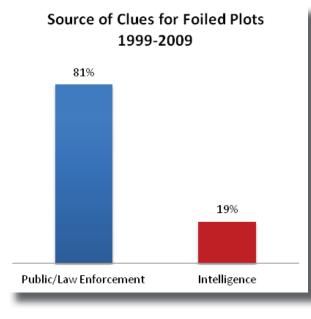


Make a Difference...

No cost to qualified law enforcement organizations.

#### **MIPT InCOP Training Core Concepts**

• Takes an "all hazards" approach, recognizing that diligent information collection serves to both suppress crime and reduce the opportunities for terrorists to act.



• Considers the line officer as The First Collector® of information, placed by duty assignment directly into the environment of the criminal and terrorist.

• Recognizes that terrorism, stripped of the ideologies of politics, religion or social objectives, is simply crime...and all crime is local, including terrorism.

• Coordinated with the Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) Initiative (NSI) front line officer training developed by the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance.

Validated by a 2010 report by the Institute for Homeland Security Solutions, which stated that more than 80% of terrorist plots were discovered by observations from law enforcement or the general public.

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### **InCOP** Courses

**InCOP SAR – Suspicious Activity Reporting** is a one hour, instructor led presentation consisting of power-point and videos. Highlighting the Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative, it offers participants a behavior-based approach to the identification and documentation of suspicious activity which emphasizes the importance of protecting civil liberties and privacy by adhering to the constitutional standards for information reporting. This method ensures information collection is both lawful and ethical. *DHS Course #AWR-227* 

**InCOP 1 – Information Collection on Patrol (The Role of the Line Officer)** is offered as a three hour, instructor led presentation consisting of PowerPoint slides and video. Topics covered include effective collection, The 2-Minute Interview, Hypervigilance on Patrol, the NSI-SAR, the role of fusion centers and the reporting process, the special problems of terrorism, the issues of criminal enterprise investigations, and an introduction to the Terrorist Screening Center. *DHS Course #AWR-297* 

**InCOP 2 –Build a Base (Source Development)** is a two hour, instructor led presentation that builds upon the techniques of effective collection and the 2 Minute Interview to help line officers engage the skills of identifying and developing human information sources within their areas of assignment. *DHS Course #AWR-207* 

**InCOP 3 – Build a Bridge (The Analytical Perspective)** is a four hour course that continues the thematic progression of InCOP 1 and InCOP 2. Line officers gain a new perspective and understanding of the value of the reports to investigators and analysts through an instructor led presentation and by participating in group exercises demonstrating common investigative and analytical techniques. *DHS Course # (pending)* 

**InCOP 4 – Build a Shield (Terrorism Awareness)** is a two hour, instructor led presentation that increases understanding of terrorism operations and the warnings and indicators of preoperational and operational actions. Through deconstruction of a terrorism event, officers learn the process for identifying and reporting the activities of terrorists before they initiate their attack. *DHS Course #AWR-220* 

**InCOP 1 – Train the Trainer** is available to prepare law enforcement instructors to deliver InCOP 1 as part of their agency's in-service training. The training takes one and one-half days to complete and is held at the MIPT training offices, adjacent to the Oklahoma City National Memorial. <u>There is no cost to law enforcement agencies for training offered</u> <u>by MIPT.</u> All travel, hotel, and per diem costs for instructors attending are paid by MIPT. *DHS Course #AWR-297-*1

#### What Agencies Are Saying...

"SAR section is what I needed the most instruction on. A valuable tool." Everett, WA PD trainee - January 2011

"Stressing the importance of communication and documentation totally backed up what I am doing in entry level training." Oklahoma City PD Academy Instructor – January 2011

"I thank the MIPT staff for the job that is being done to show the importance of the patrol officer in the fight against terrorism and the emphasis on gathering information while staying within our constitutional boundaries." Officer Gregorie McKay, Milwaukee Police Department – June 2011

"InCOP... is far more valuable than other training because ... it will make our officers better all around police officers." Chief Tim Dolan, Minneapolis Police Department

"The MIPT information will be incorporated into future Boston Police Academy trainings, which will benefit our officers department wide." Commissioner Edward F. Davis, Boston Police Department

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