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Building Partnerships to prevent Collaborative Partnerships – notes.

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When young people are connected, they are more successful

Connectedness: Community Violence, Poor neighborhood support and cohesion, Coordination of resources and services among community agencies, social isolation,/lack of social support,

Violent extremism/hate is a new category

Collaborative Management programs – each community has one. This program will serve the families even when they are not system involved.

Each community has a local coordinator – we can do a referral to them.

We need to focus on the “what” and not the “who” (the individual) – when we look at the “who” we either overestimate or underestimate the risk of violence.

Mental health is not a reliable factor in predicting violence.

We have to look at the BEHAVIOR –

Risk assessment if focused on the person

Threat assessment is focused on – not focused on the diagnostic information – we are looking at the behaviors that have created a negative impact. Focus is on the impact, not about the intention, not about the “why”. What impact does it have on the community and environment.

“just” means they are trying to rationalize a behavior.

Once an individual of concern engages in attack related behavors or radicalization behaviors, you must activate a countermeasure.

If you observe the behavior only, you are actually reinforcing that behavior, and validating that behavior.

Obsessive thoughts – person becomes obsessed with avenging or radicalizing. When they broadcast their thoughts they are looking for notoriety……the “Thrill of the Thought”

Fantasy= planning – Perps like to fantasize about the attack and think about it at length – for years sometimes.

The Vortex of Information- Where all the information comes together and a team of people can look at it wholistically – Don’t worry alone.

Dehumanization and Desensitization – is key in attackers behavior – can be towards their own selves or towards others.

Where? – when someone is planning to kill themselves in a public place – this results in a psychological footprint on everyone who sees the suicide