

## **ATI's 'Blended Learning Approach' affirmed by Newest Federal Guidance**

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The Interagency Security Committee (ISC), chaired by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and consisting of 54 Federal departments and agencies released their active shooter response guidance on November 31<sup>st</sup>. The guidance not only includes all of the training protocols found in ALICE program but also recommends training be conducted using both classroom and online components available from either private sector or sister agencies. Earlier this year, ALICE released a series of online learning (E-Learning) courses that supplement the ALICE instructor led training.

Greg Crane, president and founder of the ALICE program commented, "Our blended learning training product is the perfect combination of online training and instructor led, realistic exercises. This is exactly what is recommended in the ISC document." The report goes on to say that government agencies may utilize training from sister agencies or through courses available through private sector and non-governmental entities. To date, ATI has provided active shooter response training to local, state and federal agencies across the US.

The complete report can be downloaded at <http://www.dhs.gov/isc-policies-standards-best-practices>

ALICE is already endorsed by law enforcement across the country and in line with recommendations from the Federal Department of Education, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

The ALICE Training Institute (ATI) is changing how schools, universities and businesses respond to armed intruders. ALICE (Alert, Lock-down, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate), developed after Columbine, teaches strategies to survive a life-threatening event. Supported by educators and law enforcement organizations, ALICE is quickly becoming the new standard of care across the nation.

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