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Dear colleague in ministry:

Good news!

After abruptly cancelling the Active Shooter Training for Houses of Worship in December, now we are offering this training in partnership with law enforcement. In consultation with our law enforcement officers, we have expanded this program from a two-hour session to a day-long event from 9:00 to 3:00 p.m. To meet the demand, we are also moving this training from our hospitals to the Grainger Auditorium in Lake Forest which is easily accessible from the tollway. This training will be held, Friday, February 9, 2018 with a check-in and continental breakfast at 8:15 a.m. and the program starting promptly at 9:00 a.m. and concluding at 3:00 p.m.

Across the United States, Americans congregate in faith-based venues to worship, learn, play, and bond as a community. However, public gatherings are vulnerable and adversaries may perceive houses of worship as attractive targets where they can inflict mass casualties, cause substantial psychological impacts, and draw extensive media coverage. Therefore, we will address all active threats to houses of worship including active shooter, as well as, address preventive measures including planning and preparation.

There is no cost to attend. **Seating is limited. RSVP is required to attend.** I highly recommend a house of worship bring a team of members so that you may continue the planning and preparation for your context after this training. This event will include continental breakfast, lunch and refreshments.

RSVP to my assistant, Maria Martinez at maria.martinez1@advocatehealth.com include your name, congregation, phone number, and email address.

Enclosed please find the promotional flyer and draft agenda. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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