

HSI Active Shooter Response Program Update: A New Name to Better Reflect Training Impact

HSI is updating the name of one of its most popular training programs to better reflect how its training impacts students, businesses, and communities. On August 27, 2025, Active Violence Emergency Response Training (AVERT) will become **Active Violence Immediate Response Training (AVIRT)**.

AVIRT teaches participants how to react during an active shooter incident and how to provide emergency bleeding control techniques in any situation. A key takeaway of the updated program is stressing the importance of reacting quickly in an emergency and teaching people how to become **immediate responders**.

AVIRT's emphasis on training immediate responder techniques enables students to help themselves and others while waiting for emergency medical responders to arrive.

*As the program evolves and expands, the name AVIRT shows the true impact and importance of the training. We repeatedly heard participants say the program increases their confidence to become an immediate responder if needed. We continue to focus on reaching as many people as possible to help them be prepared to react swiftly and safely during life-threatening incidents, so they have the potential to save themselves and others. — **Anthony Corwin, General Manager, HSI Emergency Care***

The new AVIRT program features refreshed training content reviewed by subject matter experts with medical, law enforcement and military expertise. AVIRT also added new training delivery methods so authorized Instructors can reach broader audiences and help equip more people with immediate responder skills necessary to react quickly in an unthinkable situation.

Trusted by businesses and organizations of all sizes—including those in healthcare, government, education, faith-based institutions, retail, and event venues — AVIRT is designed for everyone.

*HSI is committed to continuously improving emergency care and safety training to empower people to protect themselves and care for others. As more people participate in training, it will help bring critical, life-saving skills to unfortunate situations. — **Jose Arcilla, CEO of HSI***

AVIRT is taught in all 50 states by authorized HSI Instructors. Classes are held in person and include instructor-led dynamic, hands-on practice — essential for effective learning and retention.

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