Albany County Probation has obtained a validated RISK instrument (Niagara County RAI). In 2022 correspondence was sent to every Court/Judge in the county indicating we would begin using the risk instrument on eligible defendants and would send reports with interviews to the Court. The instrument is also used on direct referrals being released to the Probation Department. Probation ATI will begin the use of Brief Intervention Tools (BITS) on select cases.