

PREA Annual Report - 2017

The following information is provided in accordance with PREA Standards 115.287, 115.288, and 115.289.

1. Uniform data from all sexual harassment, sexual misconduct, or sexual abuse allegations, which occurred in the 5th Judicial District, Department of Correctional Services, Residential Facilities.

5th Judicial District

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED THROUGH DIS 14					
January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017					
Investigation Type	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Other	Total
Offender-on-Offender Abusive Contact	0	0	0	0	0
Offender-on-Offender Non-Consensual Acts	0	0	0	0	0
Offender-on-Offender Precursor Behavior	0	0	0	0	0
Offender-on-Offender Retaliation	0	0	0	0	0
Staff Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0	0
Staff Sexual Misconduct	0	0	0	0	0
Staff Retaliation	0	0	0	0	0
Total PREA Investigations	0	0	0	0	0

2. The data, as noted, has been reviewed to assess and improve the effectiveness of the Department’s sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training. This review included the following:
 - a. Identification of problem areas-**Fort Des Moines Men’s Residential Facility and Women’s Fresh Start Center. This was completed by an annually scheduled walk through of the facilities, and also when situations occurred that required attention.**
 - b. Any corrective action taken for each facility and the Department as a whole-**all staff/contractors/volunteers will be required to complete PREA Training through our state wide eLearning Module in fiscal year 2017. There was a new state-wide on-line training designed for Contractors/Volunteers in 2017.**
 - c. Comparison of current data to data collected in previous years-**although there were not any recorded PREA incidents in 2017, several staff and offenders reported what they believed to be PREA related, however, all did not meet the definition of PREA. This shows a strong reporting culture in the 5th Judicial District.**
 - d. An assessment of the Department’s progress in addressing sexual abuse-**The PREA Coordinator reviewed all PREA policies. All residential staff continue to show and display an increased awareness and reporting of sexual related incidents. It is evident that staff and offenders have a better understanding of the Prison Rape Elimination Act and its application in the 5th Judicial District.**