

## PREA Annual Report—2014

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 8<sup>th</sup> District DCS Residential Facilities.

<b>8th District</b>					
<b>January 1 - December 31, 2014</b>					
<b>Investigation Type</b>	<b>Substantiated</b>	<b>Unsubstantiated</b>	<b>Unfounded</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
Offender-on-Offender Abusive Contact	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Offender-on-Offender Non-Consensual Acts	0	0	1	0	<b>1</b>
Offender on Offender Precursor Behavior	3	2	0	0	<b>5</b>
Staff Sexual Harassment	2	1	0	0	<b>3</b>
Staff Sexual Misconduct	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Total PREA Investigations</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>

2. The data, as noted above, 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—**Burlington Residential Facility—additional cameras needed to cover blind spots. Staff have been asked to make random extra rounds to try and deter offenders from being involved in misbehavior.**
  - B. Any corrective action taken for each facility and the Department as a whole—**The Ottumwa facility continues to monitor staffing patterns to try and ensure that staff of both genders are assigned on all shifts. The Burlington Facility has focused on all contractors and volunteers being trained in PREA responsibilities. After there was a founded incident of staff precursor behavior in Burlington all staff was reminded to watch for “red flag” behaviors from their coworkers.**
  - C. Comparison of current data to data collected in previous years—**This is the third year of compiling this report as part of the PREA Standards. There were five reported incidents in 2012 and six reported incidents in 2013 and now nine in 2014. We feel that offenders are aware of how to report and are comfortable doing so as reports continue to increase.**
  - D. An assessment of the Department's progress in addressing sexual abuse—**The Department has entered into an agreement with a telephonic interpreter service that ensures constant access to those services. Staff and offender trainings continue to increased awareness on reporting which we feel has been successful given the rise in reporting. It is also believed that staff and offenders have a better understanding of the Prison Rape Elimination Act and its application in our District. The District is preparing for a PREA Audit at the Burlington Facility to be conducted in June 2015 which should assist that facility in taking a closer look at their compliance with PREA standards and see where improvements may**

**be possible. When funding becomes available we need to look at adding cameras in the Burlington Facility.**

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