

PREA Annual Report—2016

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 8th District DCS Residential Facilities.

8th District					
January 1 - December 31, 2016					
Investigation Type	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Other	Total
Offender-on-Offender Abusive Contact	0	0	2	0	2
Offender-on-Offender Non-Consensual Acts	0	0	0	0	0
Offender on Offender Precursor Behavior	2	2	1	0	5
Offender on Offender Retaliation	0	0	0	0	0
Staff Sexual Harassment	0	0	1	0	1
Staff Sexual Misconduct	0	1	1	0	2
Staff Retaliation	0	0	0	0	0
Total PREA Investigations	2	3	5	0	10

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—Identified that not all staff completed required PREA refresher training in FY 2016. Those staff have been advised that they must catch up on the required training.**

Ottumwa Facility- Identified that not all staff completed required PREA refresher training in FY 2016. Those staff have been advised that they must catch up on the required training.

- B. Any corrective action taken for each facility and the Department as a whole—**The Ottumwa Facility has all full time positions filled with gender specific staff that meet the staffing plan. This is in response to the issues identified last year.**

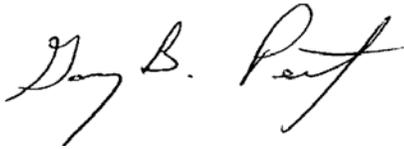
The Burlington Facility identified housing assignments of convicted sex offenders has been limited to one area of the building in last year's report that led to some over familiarity between offenders which has facilitated some precursor behaviors. We have increased staff presence in that area and it appears to have alleviated the issues.

Management at both facilities will monitor training completions more closely this fiscal year. All staff will be required to complete PREA Training (refresher) in Fiscal Year 2017 and employees must notify their supervisor when it is completed to avoid issues with non-completion.

- C. Comparison of current data to data collected in previous years—**This is the fifth year of compiling this report as part of the PREA Standards. Reports of potential PREA issues has held steady for the past three years. The department believes that our continued efforts at PREA education is paying off.**

D. An assessment of the Department's progress in addressing sexual abuse—**The Ottumwa Residential Facility will undergo its second PREA audit in May of this year as a part of the new three year audit cycle that begins this year. The department had two more members of the leadership team trained in PREA investigations this past year to help ensure investigations can be completed in a timely manner. We are confident that the department continues to send a clear message to all staff and offenders that incidents of sexual abuse or harassment will not be tolerated. Both facilities continue to review practices and physical facility makeup to ensure compliance with PREA standards.**

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