PREA Facility Audit Report: Final

Name of Facility: Mt. Vernon Treatment Center

Facility Type: Juvenile

Date Interim Report Submitted: NA **Date Final Report Submitted:** 04/05/2023

Auditor Certification	
The contents of this report are accurate to the best of my knowledge.	
No conflict of interest exists with respect to my ability to conduct an audit of the agency under review.	
I have not included in the final report any personally identifiable information (PII) about any inmate/resident/detainee or staff member, except where the names of administrative personnel are specifically requested in the report template.	
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AUDITOR INFORMATION		
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Start Date of On- Site Audit:	03/06/2023	
End Date of On-Site Audit:	03/07/2023	

FACILITY INFORMATION		
Facility name:	Mt. Vernon Treatment Center	
Facility physical address:	500 State Drive, Mt. Vernon, Missouri - 65712	
Facility mailing address:		

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Facility PREA Compliance Manager		
Name:		
Email Address:		
Telephone Number:		

Facility Health Service Administrator On-Site		
Name:	Position Currently Vacant	
Email Address:	N/A	
Telephone Number:	N/A	

Facility Characteristics		
Designed facility capacity:	36	
Current population of facility:	33	
Average daily population for the past 12 months:	35	
Has the facility been over capacity at any point in the past 12 months?	Yes	
Which population(s) does the facility hold?	Males	
Age range of population:	15-18 years old	
Facility security levels/resident custody levels:	moderate care	
Number of staff currently employed at the facility who may have contact with residents:	42	
Number of individual contractors who have contact with residents, currently authorized to enter the facility:	0	
Number of volunteers who have contact with residents, currently authorized to enter the facility:	0	

AGENCY INFORMATION		
Name of agency:	Missouri Division of Youth Services	
Governing authority or parent agency (if applicable):		
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Agency Chief Executive Officer Information:		
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SUMMARY OF AUDIT FINDINGS

The OAS automatically populates the number and list of Standards exceeded, the number of Standards met, and the number and list of Standards not met.

Auditor Note: In general, no standards should be found to be "Not Applicable" or "NA." A compliance determination must be made for each standard. In rare instances where an auditor determines that a standard is not applicable, the auditor should select "Meets Standard" and include a comprehensive discussion as to why the standard is not applicable to the facility being audited.

Number of standards exceeded:

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- 115.311 Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator
- 115.333 Resident education
- 115.342 Placement of residents
- 115.378 Interventions and disciplinary sanctions for residents

Number of standards met:

39

Number of standards not met:

0

POST-AUDIT REPORTING INFORMATION GENERAL AUDIT INFORMATION **On-site Audit Dates** 1. Start date of the onsite portion of the 2023-03-06 audit: 2. End date of the onsite portion of the 2023-03-07 audit: Outreach 10. Did you attempt to communicate (Yes with community-based organization(s) or victim advocates who provide O No services to this facility and/or who may have insight into relevant conditions in the facility? a. Identify the community-based The Victim Services Center organization(s) or victim advocates with The Child Advocacy Center whom you communicated: AUDITED FACILITY INFORMATION 14. Designated facility capacity: 36 15. Average daily population for the past 35 12 months: 16. Number of inmate/resident/detainee 3 housing units: O Yes 17. Does the facility ever hold youthful inmates or youthful/juvenile detainees? O No Not Applicable for the facility type audited (i.e., Community Confinement Facility or **Juvenile Facility**)

Audited Facility Population Characteristics on Day One of the Onsite Portion of the Audit

Inmates/Residents/Detainees Population Characteristics on Day One of the Onsite Portion of the Audit

36. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees in the facility as of the first day of onsite portion of the audit:	31
38. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees with a physical disability in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
39. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees with a cognitive or functional disability (including intellectual disability, psychiatric disability, or speech disability) in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
40. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who are Blind or have low vision (visually impaired) in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
41. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who are Deaf or hard-of-hearing in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
42. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who are Limited English Proficient (LEP) in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0

43. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who identify as lesbian, gay, or bisexual in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
44. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who identify as transgender or intersex in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
45. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who reported sexual abuse in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
46. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who disclosed prior sexual victimization during risk screening in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
47. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who were ever placed in segregated housing/isolation for risk of sexual victimization in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
48. Provide any additional comments regarding the population characteristics of inmates/residents/detainees in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit (e.g., groups not tracked, issues with identifying certain populations):	No text provided.
Staff, Volunteers, and Contracto Day One of the Onsite Portion of	-
49. Enter the total number of STAFF, including both full- and part-time staff, employed by the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	42

50. Enter the total number of VOLUNTEERS assigned to the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit who have contact with inmates/residents/detainees:	0
51. Enter the total number of CONTRACTORS assigned to the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit who have contact with inmates/residents/detainees:	0
52. Provide any additional comments regarding the population characteristics of staff, volunteers, and contractors who were in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	No text provided.
INTERVIEWS	
Inmate/Resident/Detainee Interviews	
Random Inmate/Resident/Detainee Interviews	
53. Enter the total number of RANDOM INMATES/RESIDENTS/DETAINEES who were interviewed:	15
54. Select which characteristics you considered when you selected RANDOM INMATE/RESIDENT/DETAINEE interviewees: (select all that apply)	 Age Race Ethnicity (e.g., Hispanic, Non-Hispanic) Length of time in the facility Housing assignment Gender Other

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55. How did you ensure your sample of RANDOM INMATE/RESIDENT/DETAINEE interviewees was geographically diverse?	Interview resident from each of the housing units.
56. Were you able to conduct the minimum number of random inmate/ resident/detainee interviews?	
57. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing random inmates/residents/detainees (e.g., any populations you oversampled, barriers to completing interviews, barriers to ensuring representation):	There were no barriers to completing interviews. The center had no target youth so the auditor randomly chose 5 youth from each of the housing units.
Targeted Inmate/Resident/Detair	nee Interviews
58. Enter the total number of TARGETED INMATES/RESIDENTS/DETAINEES who were interviewed:	0
As stated in the PREA Auditor Handbook, the breakdown of targeted interviews is intended to guide auditors in interviewing the appropriate cross-section of inmates/residents/detainees who are the most vulnerable to sexual abuse and sexual harassment. When completing questions regarding targeted inmate/resident/detainee interviews below, remember that an interview with one inmate/resident/detainee may satisfy multiple targeted interview requirements. These questions are asking about the number of interviews conducted using the targeted inmate/ resident/detainee protocols. For example, if an auditor interviews an inmate who has a physical disability, is being held in segregated housing due to risk of sexual victimization, and disclosed prior sexual victimization, that interview would be included in the totals for each of those questions. Therefore, in most cases, the sum of all the following responses to the targeted inmate/resident/detainee interview categories will exceed the total number of targeted inmates/ residents/detainees who were interviewed. If a particular targeted population is not applicable in the audited facility, enter "0".	
60. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees with a physical disability using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	0

a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	Prior to the randomly choosing youth to interview the auditor, facility manager, mental health, medical and special education staff reviewed the youth's intake assessments and PVIR screening instrument and discussed each youth individually to determine the target population.
61. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees with a cognitive or functional disability (including intellectual disability, psychiatric disability, or speech disability) using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	Prior to the randomly choosing youth to interview the auditor, facility manager, mental health, medical and special education staff reviewed the youth's intake assessments and PVIR screening instrument and discussed each youth individually to determine the target population.

62. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who are Blind or have low vision (i.e., visually impaired) using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	Prior to the randomly choosing youth to interview the auditor, facility manager, mental health, medical and special education staff reviewed the youth's intake assessments and PVIR screening instrument and discussed each youth individually to determine the target population.
63. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who are Deaf or hard-of-hearing using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	Prior to the randomly choosing youth to interview the auditor, facility manager, mental health, medical and special education staff reviewed the youth's intake assessments and PVIR screening instrument and discussed each youth individually to determine the target population.

64. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who are Limited English Proficient (LEP) using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	Prior to the randomly choosing youth to interview the auditor, facility manager, mental health, medical and special education staff reviewed the youth's intake assessments and PVIR screening instrument and discussed each youth individually to determine the target population.
65. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who identify as lesbian, gay, or bisexual using the "Transgender and Intersex Inmates; Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	Prior to the randomly choosing youth to interview the auditor, facility manager, mental health, medical and special education staff reviewed the youth's intake assessments and PVIR screening instrument and discussed each youth individually to determine the target population.

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66. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who identify as transgender or intersex using the "Transgender and Intersex Inmates; Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	Prior to the randomly choosing youth to interview the auditor, facility manager, mental health, medical and special education staff reviewed the youth's intake assessments and PVIR screening instrument and discussed each youth individually to determine the target population.
67. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who reported sexual abuse in this facility using the "Inmates who Reported a Sexual Abuse" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	Prior to the randomly choosing youth to interview the auditor, facility manager, mental health, medical and special education staff reviewed the youth's intake assessments and PVIR screening instrument and discussed each youth individually to determine the target population.

68. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who disclosed prior sexual victimization during risk screening using the "Inmates who Disclosed Sexual Victimization during Risk Screening" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	Prior to the randomly choosing youth to interview the auditor, facility manager, mental health, medical and special education staff reviewed the youth's intake assessments and PVIR screening instrument and discussed each youth individually to determine the target population.
69. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who are or were ever placed in segregated housing/isolation for risk of sexual victimization using the "Inmates Placed in Segregated Housing (for Risk of Sexual Victimization/Who Allege to have Suffered Sexual Abuse)" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.

b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	The center does not have a segregation unit or a way of isolating youth.
70. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing targeted inmates/residents/detainees (e.g., any populations you oversampled, barriers to completing interviews):	No text provided.
Staff, Volunteer, and Con	tractor Interviews
Random Staff Interviews	
71. Enter the total number of RANDOM STAFF who were interviewed:	16
72. Select which characteristics you considered when you selected RANDOM STAFF interviewees: (select all that apply)	 Length of tenure in the facility Shift assignment Work assignment Rank (or equivalent) Other (e.g., gender, race, ethnicity, languages spoken) None
If "Other," describe:	No text provided.
73. Were you able to conduct the minimum number of RANDOM STAFF interviews?	Yes No

74. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing random staff (e.g., any populations you oversampled, barriers to completing interviews, barriers to ensuring representation):

I attempted to get a cross reference of staff based on tenure at the center. The center provided me a list of staff schedules and the date they were employed at the center. I used this list to interview staff that had many year of tenure to staff that had less than 3 months tenure.

Specialized Staff, Volunteers, and Contractor Interviews

Staff in some facilities may be responsible for more than one of the specialized staff duties. Therefore, more than one interview protocol may apply to an interview with a single staff member and that information would satisfy multiple specialized staff interview requirements.

75. Enter the total number of staff in a SPECIALIZED STAFF role who were interviewed (excluding volunteers and contractors):	8
76. Were you able to interview the Agency Head?	YesNo
77. Were you able to interview the Warden/Facility Director/Superintendent or their designee?	✓ Yes✓ No
78. Were you able to interview the PREA Coordinator?	● Yes○ No
79. Were you able to interview the PREA Compliance Manager?	 Yes No NA (NA if the agency is a single facility agency or is otherwise not required to have a PREA Compliance Manager per the Standards)

80. Select which SPECIALIZED STAFF Agency contract administrator roles were interviewed as part of this audit from the list below: (select all that Intermediate or higher-level facility staff apply) responsible for conducting and documenting unannounced rounds to identify and deter staff sexual abuse and sexual harassment Line staff who supervise youthful inmates (if applicable) Education and program staff who work with youthful inmates (if applicable) Medical staff Mental health staff Non-medical staff involved in cross-gender strip or visual searches Administrative (human resources) staff Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner (SAFE) or Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) staff Investigative staff responsible for conducting administrative investigations Investigative staff responsible for conducting criminal investigations Staff who perform screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness Staff who supervise inmates in segregated housing/residents in isolation Staff on the sexual abuse incident review team Designated staff member charged with monitoring retaliation First responders, both security and nonsecurity staff

	Intake staff Other
81. Did you interview VOLUNTEERS who may have contact with inmates/ residents/detainees in this facility?	Yes No
82. Did you interview CONTRACTORS who may have contact with inmates/residents/detainees in this facility?	Yes● No
83. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing specialized staff.	I interviewed investigators including Out of Home investigators that conduct investigation for youth under 18, Legal Services Investigators that conduct investigation for youth 18 years of age or older and Agency investigators that could conduct administrative investigations for youth on youth sexual harassment. I interviewed the assistant regional administrator, the regional mental health clinician and the regional nurse.

SITE REVIEW AND DOCUMENTATION SAMPLING

Site Review

PREA Standard 115.401 (h) states, "The auditor shall have access to, and shall observe, all areas of the audited facilities." In order to meet the requirements in this Standard, the site review portion of the onsite audit must include a thorough examination of the entire facility. The site review is not a casual tour of the facility. It is an active, inquiring process that includes talking with staff and inmates to determine whether, and the extent to which, the audited facility's practices demonstrate compliance with the Standards. Note: As you are conducting the site review, you must document your tests of critical functions, important information gathered through observations, and any issues identified with facility practices. The information you collect through the site review is a crucial part of the evidence you will analyze as part of your compliance determinations and will be needed to complete your audit report, including the Post-Audit Reporting Information.

process that included

89. Provide any additional comments regarding the site review (e.g., access to areas in the facility, observations, tests of critical functions, or informal conversations).

During the comprehensive tour of the facility, posted signs were also observed regarding Zero Policy for sexual abuse or sexual harassment, ways of reporting sexual abuse or sexual harassment, The Victim Services Center telephone number and address, Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline, National Sexual Abuse Hotline and 911. There was also a flyer that included calling 911 in an emergency. Posting included PREA brochure, End the Silence, and additional PREA posters identified in the standards. There is an office that is utilized by the youth to make these phone calls. The youth's attorneys and parents can utilize this same phone in emergency or legal information. The auditor called all the above numbers from a telephone that is in office area. All telephone calls were answered. The Victim Services Center staff requested if the call was to report an allegation or to talk to an on duty emotional support staff. Youths were observed interacting with staff under staff's direct supervision during dinner time, leisure activities, and education activities in the classrooms. The youth were interviewed during the tour. All youth indicated they felt safe at the facility. Staff were engaging with the auditor. Several of the staff have been at the facility from the first implementation of PREA and provided a historical perspective of how the facility had implemented PREA into a corner stone of training and programming. The first PREA audit of the facility was in 2014. A review of logbooks and records revealed documentation of safety and PREA rounds. The Facility manager makes continuous rounds throughout the center. Staff announce their presence prior to entering a dormitory housing youth of the other gender. When the youth arrive staff bring the youth folder which includes a suicide risk assessment and Victimization Screening Instrument in a sealed envelope. The screening staff and medical and mental health staff are notified prior to receiving the youths. The screening staff review the

screening instrument and complete another screening during the process. Staff then discuss the film, PREA brochure and general discussion about PREA. Medical Staff conduct a nurse appraisal and ask some of the same questions found on the PVIR.

The facility is clean, in good repair, and well maintained. DYS staff, both male and female supervise in the bathroom/shower areas. The staff do not view the youth unclothed but are able to see feet and heads and are required to remain in the bathroom area providing awareness supervision. Staff and youth interviews verify this procedure. The facility does not have a surveillance system in place. DYS staff are trained to maintain awareness supervision, therefore "blind spots" should be minimal. When staff cannot see a youth they are to reposition themselves so they can have full awareness supervision. During the tour, there were cameras observed throughout the facility to include resident sleeping areas and program areas. There were no cameras that provided a view of youth using the restroom, showering or dressing.

There are posting in each living unit, day room, and food service area that includes Zero Policy for sexual abuse or sexual harassment, ways of reporting sexual abuse or sexual harassment, victim advocacy group phone number and address and Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline.

Mt. Vernon Treatment Center is located in Mt. Vernon, Missouri on approximately 11 acres. The program was built in 1998, designed with a capacity of thirty-six (36) male residents. Mt. Vernon Treatment Center has a total of ten (10) buildings on the grounds. Inside the secure fenced area are four (4) buildings with a courtyard area. The main administrative building has a secure entrance/check-in area, a large conference room, the gym/cafeteria, administrative offices, family therapy room, education office, medical office, three (3) classrooms and a computer lab, student library, storage closets, student and visitor/ staff bathrooms and outdoor recreation area

(basketball court, sand volleyball court, garden area, fire pit with seating and softball field). The other three (3) buildings are dormitories. At the entrance of each dormitory is a patio area that enters into a living area with twelve (12) bunk beds each, treatment/group area, bathroom/shower area, laundry area, staff office and group leader's office. The bathroom/shower area has partitions or curtains to provide privacy for youth.

Youth and staff interviewed provided a picture of a safe environment in which staff and youth not only are aware of PREA but have developed a culture of maintaining a sexually safe environment for youth. The agency operates under the Fundamental Principles that holds residents and staff to the highest standard of safety.

Documentation Sampling

Where there is a collection of records to review-such as staff, contractor, and volunteer training records; background check records; supervisory rounds logs; risk screening and intake processing records; inmate education records; medical files; and investigative files-auditors must self-select for review a representative sample of each type of record.

90. In addition to the proof documentation selected by the agency or facility and provided to you, did you also conduct an auditor-selected sampling of documentation?





91. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting additional documentation (e.g., any documentation you oversampled, barriers to selecting additional documentation, etc.).

The auditor requested some specific and some random training files for employees. This information was furnished by DYS office of personnel as all personnel files are maintained in central office. Fifteen youth records were reviewed. Included in the review was age, date of arrival, date of initial PREA orientation, date of comprehensive PREA training, initial vulnerability screening and rescreening as needed based on staff interactions, allegations of sexual harassment or sexual abuse. A review of the youth records also included youth referrals for mental health or victim advocate programs. All time requirements were met on each area. The auditor requested PREA unannounced rounds for specific weeks that are conducted by intermediate and supervisory staff. The rounds were for weekends and at night and included a general description of PREA standards. It also included a test of telephones. There was one investigative report to review. The auditor reviewed 15 youth training files. The auditor reviewed 10 staff training files.

SEXUAL ABUSE AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT ALLEGATIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS IN THIS FACILITY

Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Allegations and Investigations Overview

Remember the number of allegations should be based on a review of all sources of allegations (e.g., hotline, third-party, grievances) and should not be based solely on the number of investigations conducted. Note: For question brevity, we use the term "inmate" in the following questions. Auditors should provide information on inmate, resident, or detainee sexual abuse allegations and investigations, as applicable to the facility type being audited.

92. Total number of SEXUAL ABUSE allegations and investigations overview during the 12 months preceding the audit, by incident type:

	# of sexual abuse allegations	# of criminal investigations	# of administrative investigations	# of allegations that had both criminal and administrative investigations
Inmate- on- inmate sexual abuse	0	0	0	0
Staff- on- inmate sexual abuse	1	1	1	1
Total	1	1	1	1

93. Total number of SEXUAL HARASSMENT allegations and investigations overview during the 12 months preceding the audit, by incident type:

	# of sexual harassment allegations	# of criminal investigations	# of administrative investigations	# of allegations that had both criminal and administrative investigations
Inmate-on- inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0
Staff-on- inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Investigation Outcomes

Sexual Abuse Investigation Outcomes

Note: these counts should reflect where the investigation is currently (i.e., if a criminal investigation was referred for prosecution and resulted in a conviction, that investigation outcome should only appear in the count for "convicted.") Do not double count. Additionally, for question brevity, we use the term "inmate" in the following questions. Auditors should provide information on inmate, resident, and detainee sexual abuse investigation files, as applicable to the facility type being audited.

94. Criminal SEXUAL ABUSE investigation outcomes during the 12 months preceding the audit:

	Ongoing	Referred for Prosecution	Indicted/ Court Case Filed	Convicted/ Adjudicated	Acquitted
Inmate-on- inmate sexual abuse	0	0	0	0	0
Staff-on- inmate sexual abuse	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0

95. Administrative SEXUAL ABUSE investigation outcomes during the 12 months preceding the audit:

	Ongoing	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Substantiated
Inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse	0	0	0	0
Staff-on-inmate sexual abuse	0	0	1	0
Total	0	0	1	0

Sexual Harassment Investigation Outcomes

Note: these counts should reflect where the investigation is currently. Do not double count. Additionally, for question brevity, we use the term "inmate" in the following questions. Auditors should provide information on inmate, resident, and detained sexual harassment investigation files, as applicable to the facility type being audited.

96. Criminal SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation outcomes during the 12 months preceding the audit:

	Ongoing	Referred for Prosecution	Indicted/ Court Case Filed	Convicted/ Adjudicated	Acquitted
Inmate-on- inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0	0
Staff-on- inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0

97. Administrative SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation outcomes during the 12 months preceding the audit:

	Ongoing	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Substantiated
Inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0
Staff-on-inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment **Investigation Files Selected for Review Sexual Abuse Investigation Files Selected for Review** 98. Enter the total number of SEXUAL 1 ABUSE investigation files reviewed/ sampled: 99. Did your selection of SEXUAL ABUSE (Yes investigation files include a crosssection of criminal and/or administrative O No investigations by findings/outcomes? NA (NA if you were unable to review any sexual abuse investigation files) Inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files 100. Enter the total number of INMATE-0 **ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation** files reviewed/sampled: O Yes 101. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-**INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation** files include criminal investigations? (No. NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files) Yes 102. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-**INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation** files include administrative investigations? NA (NA if you were unable to review any

files)

inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation

Staff-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files			
103. Enter the total number of STAFF- ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files reviewed/sampled:	1		
104. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include criminal investigations?	Yes No NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files)		
105. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include administrative investigations?	 Yes No NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files) 		
Sexual Harassment Investigation	Files Selected for Review		
106. Enter the total number of SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files reviewed/sampled:	0		
a. Explain why you were unable to review any sexual harassment investigation files:	There were no sexual harassment allegations or investigations		
107. Did your selection of SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include a cross-section of criminal and/or administrative investigations by findings/outcomes?	Yes No NA (NA if you were unable to review any sexual harassment investigation files)		

Inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files			
108. Enter the total number of INMATE- ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files reviewed/sampled:	0		
109. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT files include criminal investigations?	Yes No NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)		
110. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include administrative investigations?	No NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)		
Staff-on-inmate sexual harassme	ent investigation files		
111. Enter the total number of STAFF- ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files reviewed/sampled:	0		
112. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include criminal investigations?	Yes No NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)		

113. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include administrative investigations?	No NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)
114. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting and reviewing sexual abuse and sexual harassment investigation files.	No text provided.
SUPPORT STAFF IN	FORMATION
DOJ-certified PREA Audito	ors Support Staff
115. Did you receive assistance from any DOJ-CERTIFIED PREA AUDITORS at any point during this audit? REMEMBER: the audit includes all activities from the preonsite through the post-onsite phases to the submission of the final report. Make sure you respond accordingly.	Yes● No
Non-certified Support Sta	off
116. Did you receive assistance from any NON-CERTIFIED SUPPORT STAFF at any point during this audit? REMEMBER: the audit includes all activities from the preonsite through the post-onsite phases to the submission of the final report. Make sure you respond accordingly.	Yes No

AUDITING ARRANGEMENTS AND COMPENSATION

121. Who paid you to conduct this audit?	The audited facility or its parent agency
	My state/territory or county government employer (if you audit as part of a consortium or circular auditing arrangement, select this option) A third-party auditing entity (e.g.,
	accreditation body, consulting firm)
	Other
Identify the name of the third-party auditing entity	Correctional Management and Communications Group

Standards

Auditor Overall Determination Definitions

- Exceeds Standard (Substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the stand for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective actions)

Auditor Discussion Instructions

Auditor discussion, including the evidence relied upon in making the compliance or non-compliance determination, the auditor's analysis and reasoning, and the auditor's conclusions. This discussion must also include corrective action recommendations where the facility does not meet standard. These recommendations must be included in the Final Report, accompanied by information on specific corrective actions taken by the facility.

115.311

Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator

Auditor Overall Determination: Exceeds Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

Division of Youth Services Org Chart

Division of Youth Services (DYS) Policy 9.18 PREA

Division of Youth Services Policy 3.8 Employee Conduct

DYS Policy 3.23Ethical Standards - Employee/Youth Relationships

Mount Vernon Treatment Center Org. Chart

115.311 (a): Division of Youth Services Policy 9.18 Prison Rape Elimination Act provides direction to staff regarding the facility's approach to preventing, detecting, and responding to conduct that violates the zero tolerance approach regarding all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Definitions of prohibited behaviors of sexual abuse and sexual harassment are contained in Policy. It also includes sanctions for those found to have participated in the prohibited behaviors. The facility has additional policies which support the PREA standards. DYS Policy 9.18 PREA serves as the overarching PREA Policy for the contract facilities. The Missouri Division of Youth Services is committed to a zero-tolerance standard for incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The policy establishes that all facilities, staff, residents, volunteers, contractors, or visitor are committed to a zero-tolerance standard for incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Residents with disabilities are afforded the same rights and will be provided access to interpreters, presented material to effectively communicate with those residents who have intellectual disabilities, limited reading skills, blind or have low vision. Residents will have access to interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary. Interpreters will be provided through local community resources. Residents with disabilities have equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from all aspects of Mount Vernon Treatment Center's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment. In interviews with clinical staff, the center has not only embraced PREA mandates but have adapted PREA standards and culture into the program model. It is the policy of Mount Vernon Treatment Center that all sexual activity between residents is prohibited and may result disciplinary action for such activity. Incidents by youth in which youth may engage in sexual contact with staff such as unwanted touching, the youth may receive programmatic sanctions. For the purpose of disciplinary action, a report of sexual abuse made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief that the alleged conduct occurred shall not constitute falsely reporting an incident or lying, even if an

investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation.

DYS has established Fundamental Principles that is the overarching management system at each facility. These principles establish the vision and beliefs for all stakeholders including youth and parents. Agencies across the nation have adopted many of these principles in implementing what is routinely called the "Missouri Model".

115.311 (b): Missouri Division of Youth Services employees a PREA Coordinator that oversees the efforts to comply with the PREA standards in all Juvenile Facilities under the umbrellas of Division of youth Services. The PREA coordinator that reports to the Division Director indicated he has sufficient time and authority to develop, implement, and oversee agency efforts to comply with the PREA standards in all of its facilities. Compliance managers that indirectly report to the PREA coordinator. In interview with the facility manager, it was evident that she is aware of PREA standards and self-audits the facility on a regular basis for compliance with PREA standards.

115.311 (c): The Facility manager serves as PREA Compliance Manager with sufficient time and authority to coordinate the facilities PREA efforts. Interviews with the staff and residents at the facility ensures that the center provides training to residents, staff, parents, volunteers, and contractors. All residents have a treatment plan developed based on mental health evaluation, screening instrument and input with parents. During this process family members are encouraged to have resident share concerns about sexual abuse or sexual harassment. Interview with resident and staff verified that all persons at the center undergo training on a monthly basis with monthly staff meeting and monthly town hall meeting with residents. The resident's interview indicated a safety plan is part of their treatment plan and on a weekly basis they meet with their assigned group leader who ask them about the feeling of safety. The treatment plan is updated once a month and includes part of the questionnaire utilized for the PREA Vulnerability Information Review (PVIR). A review of past audits, the Missouri Division of Youth Services, conversations with the victim advocate program, and in interviews with staff and residents the facility has developed a sexually safe environment for residents and staff.

Exceed compliance was determined by review of the organizational chart and interviews with the PREA coordinator, PREA compliance manager, staff and residents at the facility.

115.312 Contracting with other entities for the confinement of residents

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

PREA Contract Language

PREA Contract and Monitoring Auditing

Division of Youth Services Contract Language

State of Missouri Department of Social Services Contract Amendment: FY23 Contract Renewal Reception and Detention

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA

Contract PREA Audits

Division of Youth Services Contracts include specific information to the contractors of the requirements by the Missouri Division of Youth Services to comply with the PREA Standards and participate in PREA audits. The practice was also confirmed by completed PREA audit reports for this facility and other contract sites. In interview with the PREA coordinator, she indicated she has a staff member in her office the monitors private contracted centers including announce and unannounced on-site monitoring. By visiting the DYS website, the auditor was able to review three private facility audits for the last cycle.

DYS presently has 12 contracts for housing residents. A review of the contract had the following section in each Contract reviewed.

- 3.4 Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA):
- 3.4.1 The contractor shall comply with the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 (34 United States Code 30301, et seq.), and with all applicable PREA National Standards (28 Code of Federal Regulations 115, et seq.), state agency policies related to preventing, detecting, monitoring, investigating, and eradicating any form of sexual abuse within state agency facilities, programs, or offices owned, operated, or contracted by the state agency.
- 3.4.2 The contractor shall, in cooperation and collaboration with the state agency, and in addition to "self-monitoring requirement," assist with compliance monitoring which could be announced or unannounced and includes "on-site" monitoring.
- 3.4.3 The contractor shall fully cooperate and collaborate with the state agency on all audits required under PREA.

Based on review of the contracts, previous PREA audits reviewed and interviewed with the Agency Contracting Director the agency is in compliance with this

standard. Mount Vernon Treatment Center does not contract for services so is not applicable for this standard as a center.

115.313 Supervision and monitoring

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

Staff to youth ratio docs

Unannounced Tours

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA Section IIIA2

DYS Policy 9.6 Program Supervision Sec.IIIA1 & 2

Monthly Schedule

Youth Daily Rosters PREA

Pre-Audit Questionnaire

Master Roster W Position-2022

Staffing Plan - PREA 2022 (2)

Staffing Plan - PREA 2021

Facility Staffing Plan - PREA 2020

PAQ

Unannounced Rounds

115.313 (a): Each year the facility reviews staffing and the need for cameras, staffing or rearranging the staffing plan to meet the required staff in order to maintain a safe and secure operation. Their staffing plan's annual reviews conducted in November 2022 were found to be in compliance with this standard. The staffing plan included: 1) Generally accepted detention and correctional/secure residential practices. (2) Any judicial findings of inadequacy. (3) Any findings of inadequacy from Federal investigative agencies. (4) Any findings of inadequacy from internal or external oversight bodies. (5) All components of the facility's physical plant (including "blind spots" or areas where staff or youth may be isolated). (6) The composition of the youth population. (7) The number and placement of supervisory staff. (8) Institution programs occurring on a particular shift. (9) Any applicable State or local laws, regulations, or standards. (10) The prevalence of substantiated and unsubstantiated incidents of sexual abuse; and (11) Any other relevant factors. The facility did not report deviations from the staffing plan during the past 12 months. According to the PAQ the staffing plan is based on 37 youth. Based on conversations with the PREA coordinator and facility administrator it was obvious that the facilities review all areas of the center for

additional staffing based on the youth movement in order to meet the requirement of this standard. The direct care staff were noted to be located throughout the center during the tour. At least once every year, the agency or facility, in collaboration with the PREA Coordinator, reviews the staffing plan to see whether adjustments are needed to the staffing plan; prevailing staffing patterns; the deployment of monitoring technology; or the allocation of agency or facility resources to commit to the staffing plan, to ensure compliance with the staffing plan.

The MVTC staff schedules reviewed indicated that the facility has a variety of shifts for the Group Leaders and Youth Specialists that provides for adequate levels of staffing, and monitoring, to protect residents against sexual abuse and meet the centers youth to staff ratios.

115.313 (b): The facility administrator provided a daily roster that indicates the staffing utilized during the prior 24 hours. During the pandemic the center had to pay overtime and utilize some non-essential staff in order to provide staff that ensured appropriate staff were available to meet the mandatory posts. While the center is not fully staffed, the administrator indicated the center has an overtime schedule for staff to ensure that the center meets the correction youth to staff ratios. The facility Policy states in the event that the staffing ratio is unable to be maintained during exigent circumstances, the deviation must be documented. The facility documents there have been no deviations to the staffing plan in the past 12 months. The facility is prepared to document any deviations from the staffing plan.

115.313 (c) Random interviewed direct care confirmed that they are assigned based on activities at each unit which will impact the staffing plan. The random staff stated that the center does not count control operators toward meeting this requirement. The facility administrator provided a daily roster that indicates the staffing utilized during the prior 24 hours. The facility's plan strives to maintain staffing ratios of a minimum of 1 staff to 8 youth during youth waking hours and 1 to 16 during youth sleeping hours. The facility has not had in deviation in the ratios mandated by DYS Policy 9.18. The facility has a hold over and overtime pay program to provide coverage as required. Staff interviewed indicated they are not allowed to abandon their post until properly relieved. The agency requires that all centers always have a minimum of two awake and alert staff on site. Due to the center having an average population population of 35 residents, the center always exceeds the minimum expectations of staff on site. During the on-site audit the center had a population of 32.

115.313 (d): DYS Policy 9.18 PREA mandates that the staffing plan will be reviewed and approved by the PREA coordinator at least yearly. The approved staffing plan for MVTC was completed in November 2022. The plan is based on 37 youth. A review of the DYS policy, the facility Staffing Plan and the unannounced procedures, it was determined that the facility has assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments were needed to the staffing plan established pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section over the past 12 months. The Facility Manager stated that the deployment of video monitoring systems and other monitoring technologies and

resources for the facility are discussed to ensure adherence to the staffing plan was considered.

115.313 (e): The Facility administrator and PREA compliance manager conduct and document unannounced rounds on all shifts and all areas of the facility to monitor and deter staff sexual abuse and harassment. Each shift supervisor makes rounds several times during each shift. It is the policy of MVTC that staff are not to inform other staff when the shift supervisor, facility manager or regional administrators are making rounds. During the tour the auditor reviewed the logbooks in all housing units and noted that the shift supervisor, and facility administrator had signed to logbook a minimum of one a day for the last three-week excluding weekends. Shift supervisor had signed the logbooks on each day including weekends. DYS has developed a PREA form that is utilized to conduct daily, weekly, and monthly unannounced rounds by administrative staff.

Throughout the audit the auditor made rounds throughout the facility. The ratio during the daytime was one to four on each visit. One tour for the overnight shift, the ratio was 1 to 6.

Compliance was determined by review of policies, documentation, and interview with staff. During the audit the auditor visited all areas of the facility throughout the audit. During the visit the auditor counted the number of youth and number of staff in each area. The facility exceeded the requirement of youth to staff ratios during each visit.

115.315 Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches **Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard Auditor Discussion** The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard. DYS Policy 5.8 Searches for Contraband DYS Policy 9.18 PREA DYS Policy 13.09 Youth Supervision During Personal Hygiene Tasks DYS Policy 9.6 Program Supervision DYS Policy 7.2 Standards Female and Male Announcements Training on Cross gender -gender 115.315 (a): Based on interviews with staff and youths there have been no crossgender pat down searches in the last 12 months. DYS Policy 5.8 Searches for Contraband provides that when necessary and with approval of the appropriate supervisor, a search may be conducted by a physical pat of youth's body, through the outer clothing. Youth interviewed indicated they have not been pat searched or striped search while at Mount Vernon Treatment Center. DYS PREA Policy on Limits to Cross Gender Viewing and Searches prohibits crossgender strip searches and cross-gender visual body cavity searches. There is no evidence of cross-gender strip searches or cross-gender visual body cavity searches occurring at the facility. Based on the review of the Pre-audit questionnaire and according to the Facility Manager, no such searches have been conducted. 115.315 (b): Search Procedures mandates the facility always refrain from conducting any cross-gender pat down except in exigent circumstances. All staff interviewed indicated they have never conducted a cross-gender search. All youth interviewed stated they had never been searched by a staff of the other gender. 115.315 (c): The facility had no youth that claimed to be transgender prior to the interviews. According to the PAQ there were no cross-gender searches during the last 12 months. Staff interviewed indicated that while they had seen the video on cross-gender searches they have not conducted any pat searches while working at

the center. If they feel the youth has something in his pocket they will ask the

the youth to comply with their request.

resident to pull out his pocket. If he refused, they would stay with the youth and go to the group leader or youth advocate and they would discuss the options. No staff has ever had to go further than working with the group leader or advocate to have 115.315 (d): A tour of the center found that all areas that are utilized for housing youths have necessary barriers to allow youth to shower without being viewed by person of the opposite gender and privacy from other youths during the showering process. The Mount Vernon Treatment Center showering procedure requires that staff position themselves so they can't see the youths totally naked. All youth stated they are allowed to change clothes and shower in private. Staff and youth confirm that staff announce their presence when entering the living unit.

115.315 (e): Agency policy 7.2 Standards prohibits searching or physically examining a transgender or intersex youth for the sole purpose of determining the youth's genital status. Policy mandates that if a youth's genital status is unknown, the facility determine genital status during conversations with the youth, by reviewing medical records, or, if necessary, by learning that information as part of a broader medical examination conducted in private by a medical practitioner.

115.315 (f): A review of the staff training plan includes intervention techniques and standards required to be utilized prior to conducting any searches. Interview with random staff confirmed they had received training on intervention techniques. This training included conducting cross gender searches in a professional and respectful manner.

Exceed compliance was determined by review of policies, watching the cross-gender video, and interview with youth and staff.

115.316

Residents with disabilities and residents who are limited English proficient

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

Zero Tolerance Poster English- Spanish

English and Spanish Third-Party Posters

PREA Posters

DYS Policy 6.1 Programmatic Rights of Youth and Grievance Procedures

DYS Policy 8.3 Individual Education Program - Special Education

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA

Corporate Translation Services, Inc.

Global Interpreting Network, Inc.

Linguistica International Inc.

Master Word Services, Inc.

Voiance Language Services, LLC

Sign Language Interpretation Services – Statewide CS211867001 through CS211867009

115.316 (a)(c): DYS Policy 6.1 Programmatic Rights of Youth and Grievance Procedures and DYS Policy 8.3 Individual Education Program – Special Education mandate facilities will ensure that youths with disabilities (e.g., those who are deaf, hard of hearing, blind, have low vision, intellectual, psychiatric or speech disabilities) have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from the facility's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment. Such steps will include, when necessary to ensure effective communication with youths who are deaf or hard or hearing, providing access to interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary. Mount Vernon Treatment Center will ensure that all written materials to every youth is in format or through methods that ensure effective communication with youths with disabilities, including those who have intellectual disabilities, limited reading skills or who are blind or have low vision. Facilities will not rely on youth readers, or other types of youth assistants except in limited circumstances where an extended delay in obtaining an effective

interpreter could compromise the youth's safety, the performance of first-response duties, or the investigation of the youth's allegations. Any use of these interpreters under these type circumstances will be justified and fully documented in the written investigative report.

Youths receive information explaining the agency's zero tolerance Policy in an age-appropriate fashion including how to report incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse or sexual harassment in the appropriate manner, taking into consideration age, disabilities, sexual orientation, and language. The facility has a Safety First handbook that is child friendly that is used to explain PREA to youths. The comprehensive education is accessible to all youths, including those who are limited English proficient, deaf, visually impaired, or otherwise disabled as well as to the youths who have limited reading skills. If the youth report a deficiency or the staff are aware of a deficiency in any of these areas, they will report to the supervisor the need for an additional resource.

The special education teacher interview indicated that special needs youth would be provided with the services through an IEP which would include youth that are not academically special education but needed special services such as a sign language staff to function at the center.

Mount Vernon Treatment Center will take such steps to provide reasonable accommodations as are necessary to ensure that disabled persons, including those with impaired sensory, hearing or speaking skills receive effective notice concerning benefits, services, or written material concerning waivers of rights or consent to treatment. All aids needed to provide this notice, e.g., sign-language interpreters, readers, or through other auxiliary aids, shall be provided within the service limits and availability of qualified/certified interpreters provided under contractual service without cost to the person being served.

Family members or friends of the youth may not be used as the sign language interpreter, unless specifically requested by that individual. Other youth may not be used to translate.

115.316 (b): The facility has a contract for language services including sign language services. Staff would read all information required for an orientation into the facility and the comprehensive PREA training for youths that can't read. All the youths interviewed were able to articulate the training programs, recall the intake process and felt safe at the facility. At the time of the audit there were no youths that required additional resources to receive training, reporting, or other communication requirements. Whenever communication accommodations are needed, the facility administrator and education staff is responsible for arranging for an interpreter or the use of another auxiliary aid to ensure reasonably prompt and effective communication with the youth.

The center has a proactive special education program that includes 504 plans for any youth that may be in need of auxiliary services to communicate effectively with staff or other youth.

Compliance was determined by review of policy, language line contract, and

interviews with group leader, education staff, facility manager.

115.317 Hiring and promotion decisions

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA

Pre- Employment Reference Check

Employee Handbook

DSS Policy 2-107- Applicants for employment/Placement

DSS Policy 2-107 Section: Background Checks under Criminal Record

Annual Background Checks 2019-2021

115.317 (a): DYS shall not hire or promote anyone who may have contact with youth and shall not enlist the services of any contractor who may have contact with youth, who. 1. Has engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution (as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1997). 2. Has been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse; or 3. Has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse. 4. DYS shall consider any incidents of sexual harassment in determining whether to hire or promote anyone, or to enlist the services of any contractor, who may have contact with youth. DYS shall ensure that a criminal background records check has been completed, and consult applicable child abuse registries, before enlisting the services of any contractor who may have unsupervised contact with youth. During initial interviews, prospective employees, interns, and volunteers shall be informed of the background check procedure. DYS shall require the following background checks on all staff, volunteers, interns, and contractors and any applicant that is being considered for employment or promotion with DYS. In order to accomplish this task all personnel files and background checks are conducted by the Agency's Central office. The Background Check Email Clearance Notification to facility: Facility submits hiring recommendation or request to initiate volunteer/ contractor services along with application and reference checks to DYS HR for approval.

- DYS HR sends approval for Facility to send the applicant for fingerprints
- · Background check results are received and reviewed by DYS HR

DYS HR sends a clearance email to the facility notifying them that the applicants background check is complete and the applicant is cleared to begin work/providing services. During the last 12 months there have been 18 persons hired that received the appropriate background checks.

Agency policy requires that before it hires any new employees who may have contact with residents, it (a)conducts criminal background record checks, (b) consults any child abuse registry maintained by the State or locality in which the employee would work; and (c) consistent with Federal, State, and local law, makes its best efforts to contact all prior institutional employers for information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or any resignation during a pending investigation of an allegation of sexual abuse.

- 115. 317 (b): The Agency Policy states any incidents of sexual harassment by a staff member will be taken into consideration if the staff member is eligible for promotion. Prior to a promotion the facility will conduct a promotion board. Prior to meeting with the board, the applicant completes a questionnaire that includes all areas of the standard. The interview questions for employment also address previous misconduct. The evidence shows the facility considers any incident of sexual harassment in determining whether to hire or promote anyone, or to enlist the services of any contractor, who may have contact with residents. Policy states any incidents of sexual harassment by a staff member will be taken into consideration if the staff member is eligible for promotion. The interview questions for employment also address previous misconduct. The evidence shows the facility considers any incident of sexual harassment in determining whether to hire or promote anyone, or to enlist the services of any contractor, who may have contact with residents.
- 115.317 (c): Agency policy requires that before it hires any new employees who may have contact with residents, it (a)conducts criminal background record checks, (b) consults any child abuse registry maintained by the State or locality in which the employee would work; and (c) consistent with Federal, State, and local law, makes its best efforts to contact all prior institutional employers for information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or any resignation during a pending investigation of an allegation of sexual abuse. The human resources staff indicated in interviewed and confirmed by reviewing personnel files that she conducts a reference check on all prospective employees. This check includes any past history of sexual abuse, sexual harassment including sexual harassment toward other staff.
- 115.317 (d): DYS shall ensure that a criminal background records check has been completed, and consult applicable child abuse registries, before enlisting the services of any contractor who may have unsupervised contact with youth.
- 115.317 (e): DYS shall conduct background checks or alternative background checks on all staff, volunteers, interns, and contractors yearly.
- 115.317 (f): The agency asks applicants about previous misconduct described in paragraph (a) of this section in written applications or during interviews for hiring or promotions. The facility does a yearly staff appraisal and sexual abuse, or sexual

harassment is part of that appraisal.

115.317 (g): DSS Policy 2-107 Section: Background Checks under Criminal Record mandates that employees and volunteers will report any arrest, which include any notice to appear in court for a criminal Charge, to their immediate supervisor within 24 hours of the arrest or receipt of the notice to appear. Failure to report may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination. Material omissions regarding such misconduct, or the provision of materially false information, shall be grounds for termination.

115.317 (h): Unless prohibited by law, the agency shall provide information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involving a former employee upon receiving a request from an institutional employer for whom such employee has applied to work. The interview with the Facility Administrator confirmed the facility would provide this information if requested to do so. Policy states the information would be provided when requested unless it is prohibited by law to provide the information.

Based on the review of the documentation and the interview with the Facility Manager and Human Resources staff the facility is in compliance of all provisions of this standard.

115.318	Upgrades to facilities and technologies
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	There have been no upgrades or expansion of the physical plant since the last update. There were no other needs noted in the yearly review for staffing or monitoring. Based on interview with the facility manager and the PAQ the camera system was replaced due the age and new technology. There were no other areas identified for additional cameras.

115.321 Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA

2022 SAFE-CARE Provider List

Agreement with The Victim's Center

Missouri Division of Professional Registration (Victim Advocates)

Memorandum from Jennifer Hanes Statewide PREA Coordinator RE: PREA Standard 115.321 (f)-1 DYS external investigation agencies DATE: February 16, 2022

Agency Staff Member

PREA Youth Posters

115.321 (a): Investigating PREA Allegations policy and guidelines establishes that the evidence protocol to be utilized in sexual assault cases involving youths to be developmentally appropriate and to mirror the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Violence Against Women's "A National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations for Adults/Adolescents."

115.321 (b): and (F): The Department does not conduct criminal or administrative Investigation of Sexual Abuse or Sexual Harassment. investigations for youth related sexual abuse reports. Local Law enforcement, Out of Home Investigator investigate youth allegations that are criminal and Division of Legal Services Investigator and local law enforcement conduct criminal investigation for youth over the age of 18. The Out of Home Investigator or Legal Services conducts administrative investigation and management reviews as part of the investigations or separate and apart for a criminal investigation. To the extent the agency is responsible for investigating allegations of sexual abuse, the agency shall follow a uniform evidence protocol that maximizes the potential for obtaining usable physical evidence for administrative proceedings and criminal prosecutions. (b) The protocol shall be developmentally appropriate for youth and as appropriate, shall be adapted from or otherwise based on the most recent edition of the U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women publication, "A National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations, Adults/Adolescents," or similarly comprehensive and authoritative protocols.

Policy provides for the uniform Protocols to be followed. The Protocol is outlined regarding appropriateness for youth and adults. Staff interviews confirmed an understanding of the facility's protocol for obtaining usable physical evidence if a

youth alleges sexual abuse and knowledge of the entities responsible for conducting investigations.

115.321 (c): The agency shall offer all youths who experience sexual abuse access to forensic medical examinations whether on-site or at an outside facility, without financial cost. Such examinations shall be performed by Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs) where possible. If SAFEs or SANEs cannot be made available, the examination can be performed by other qualified medical practitioners. The agency shall document its efforts to provide SAFEs or SANEs. The facility does not have a MOU with Victim's Center to provide victim advocate. However, they agency has an agreement with Victim advocate centers throughout Missouri with specific centers that utilize certain Victim advocacy Center. The Victim's Center provides the center is open to receiving referrals through a 24-hour hotline to provide victim advocacy services including SANE staff during an investigation. The Center can also provide information and referrals for further services to assist a sexual assault victim and his/her family. Local Hospital (SAFE certified) provides the emergency and forensic medical examinations at no financial cost to the victim.

115.321 (d)(e): The facility does not have a MOU with The Victim's Center for victim advocacy services. However, they agency has an agreement with Victim advocate centers throughout Missouri with specific centers that utilize certain Victim advocacy Center. The Victim's Center provides the center is open to receiving referrals through a 24-hour hotline to provide victim advocacy services including SANE staff during an investigation. The Victim's Center director was contacted and provided a review of the program and services available to youths at MVTC advocacy staff at the program and the services they provide to youths. The Victim's Services, staff interviewed by telephone verified that the program had SANE staff on duty and had a working relationship with Local Law Enforcement. A qualitied victim advocate would accompany a youth for a SANEs and during the law enforcement investigations. The advocate program would continue to offer emotional support, crisis intervention and referrals. The center has mental health staff that would also provide crisis intervention as requested by the victim and as part of the youth treatment plan. The center provided clinical staff documentation of providing victim advocacy services if an advocate is not available at the time of a sexual assault. The agency has provided the facility with a list of certified staff to provide victim advocacy services if requested. This includes DYS mental health staff. The auditor called one of the licensed counselors on the list and was verbally provided their credentials. The region has a licensed staff member that would provide victim advocacy services if requested. In the interview, he indicated that he goes to MVTC on a regular basis.

115.321 (g) The facility has an agreement with The Victim's Center. This was confirmed by an email from the DYS regional director and Victim's Center staff. Compliance was determined through the review of with the agreement with The Victim's Center and interview with staff from The Victim's Center. The Victim's Center is a State-certified domestic violence center serving domestic violence victims and offers a variety of services to participants. Services provided are confidential shelter, court advocacy, peer counseling, support groups, primary

prevention, 24-hour crisis hotline, SANE staff and child therapy services. All services are free and confidential.

The facility is in compliance with the standard by review of the polices, processes, and interviews with Legal Services Agents, Out of Home Investigator Chief, and DYS administrative Investigators.

115.322 Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investigations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

DYS Policy 9.18

DYS Policy 3.8 Employee Conduct

DYS Policy 6.1 Programmatic Rights of Youth & Grievance

DYS Internet accessible to public:

DYS Fundamental Practices under Additional Resources at this link: Missouri Social Services, Division of Youth Services | Missouri Department of Social Services (mo.gov)

DYS Mandatory Reporting - CA/N Hotline (800) 392-3738

115.322 (a & b) The agency shall ensure that an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The Policy directs staff to report all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment and to document the reports. When any physician, medical examiner, coroner, dentist, chiropractor, optometrist, podiatrist, resident, intern, nurse, hospital or clinic personnel that are engaged in the examination, care, treatment or research of persons, and any other health practitioner, psychologist, mental health professional, social worker, day care center worker or other child-care worker, juvenile officer, probation or parole officer, jail or detention center personnel, teacher, principal or other school official, minister, peace officer or law enforcement official, or other person with the responsibility for the care of children has reasonable cause to suspect that a child has been or may be subjected to abuse or neglect or observes a child being subjected to conditions or circumstances which would reasonably result in abuse or neglect, that person shall immediately report to the division in accordance with the provisions of sections 210.109 to 210.183.

MVTC nor does the agency conduct criminal investigations for youths related sexual abuse reports The Department does not conduct criminal or administrative Investigation of Sexual Abuse or Sexual Harassment. investigations for youth related sexual abuse reports. Out of Home Investigator coordinate with local law enforcement to investigate youth allegations that are criminal and Division of Legal Services Investigator and local law enforcement conduct criminal investigation for youth over the age of 18. The Out of Home Investigator or Legal Services conducts administrative investigation and management reviews as part of the investigations or separate and apart for a criminal investigation.

To the extent the agency is responsible for investigating allegations of sexual abuse,

the agency shall follow a uniform evidence protocol that maximizes the potential for obtaining usable physical evidence for administrative proceedings and criminal prosecutions. (b) The protocol shall be developmentally appropriate for youth and as appropriate, shall be adapted from or otherwise based on the most recent edition of the U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women publication, "A National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations, Adults/ Adolescents," or similarly comprehensive and authoritative protocols. Policy provides for the uniform Protocols to be followed. The Protocol is outlined regarding appropriateness for youth and adults. Staff interviews confirmed an understanding of the facility's protocol for obtaining usable physical evidence if a youth alleges sexual abuse and knowledge of the entities responsible for conducting investigations. Staff indicated that the youth would be placed in a safe area and would be requested no to change clothing, use the restroom, brush teeth or shower. The area would be secured and no one would be allowed in the area until local law enforcement arrives to remove all crime scene evidence.

115.322 (c): DYS Policy 3.8 Employee Conduct and staff training mandates that that staff will secure the scene, not let the victim or predator change clothing, brush teeth, use the restroom or shower. The facility will assist the investigator in making available video and other material as requested. There has been one allegation that was referred for administrative and criminal investigation during the last 12 months.

Compliance was verified by reviewing policies, procedures, Division of Youth Service Website and interviews with agency designee, facility administrator, investigators, staff, and investigative worksheets.

115.331 **Employee training** Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion** The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard. PREA Standard 115.331 Employee training. DYS Policy 9.18 PREA DYS Policy 3.18 Training PREA training 2020 PREA training 2021 PREA training 2022 Cross Gender Training Acknowledgement Form 115.331 (a): MVTC utilized DYS Employee training and augmented the training for the specialize youths' programs components. All interviewed staff members were familiar with the PREA information regarding primary components of preventing, detecting and responding to sexual abuse or sexual harassment. PREA training is provided to staff, as indicated by a review of policy and training documents. The documents and staff interviews support refresher training are also conducted and is documented. The direct care staff interviewed and the PREA Compliance Manager reported the training is provided as required. All staff members interviewed, and documentation reviewed verified the general topics below were included in the training: 1. The center Zero Tolerance Policy for sexual abuse and sexual harassment. 2. How to fulfill their responsibilities under the center sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, reporting, and response policies and

the specialize youths' programs components. All interviewed staff members were familiar with the PREA information regarding primary components of preventing, detecting and responding to sexual abuse or sexual harassment. PREA training is provided to staff, as indicated by a review of policy and training documents. The documents and staff interviews support refresher training are also conducted and is documented. The direct care staff interviewed and the PREA Compliance Manager reported the training is provided as required. All staff members interviewed, and documentation reviewed verified the general topics below were included in the training: 1. The center Zero Tolerance Policy for sexual abuse and sexual harassment. 2. How to fulfill their responsibilities under the center sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, reporting, and response policies and procedures. 3. Youths' right to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment. 4. The right of youths and employees to be free from retaliation for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment. 5. The dynamics of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. 4 harassment juvenile facilities. 6. The common reactions of juvenile victims of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. 7. How to detect and respond to signs of threatened and actual sexual abuse and how to distinguish between consensual sexual contact and sexual abuse between youths. 8. How to avoid inappropriate relationships with youths. 9. How to communicate effectively and professionally with youths, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender nonconforming youths. 10. How to comply with relevant laws related to mandatory reporting of sexual abuse to outside authorities; and 11. Relevant laws regarding the applicable age of consent. The training is extremely thorough in each standard and application of the standards. 12. All staff receive training on cross gender searches as well as searched transgender of intersex youth in a professional manager. Additional to the core traini

fundamental practices Staff were able to articulate an understanding of each of the training topics including fundamental practices.

115.331 (b): Such training shall be tailored to the unique needs and attributes of youths of juvenile facilities and to the gender of the youths at the employee's facility. All employees receive training that includes managing and communicating with male and female youths. The facility houses male youths. The training considers the needs of the population as determined by a review of training curricula and interviews with random staff. The agency training for all staff also includes working with LGBTI youth in DYS facilities. Additionally, the agency has developed training for First Responder duties and responsibilities.

115.331 (c): The agency provides each employee with refresher each year to ensure that all employees know the agency's current sexual abuse and sexual harassment policies and procedures. In recent years the yearly in services added a video on conducting cross gender or persons frisk searches (pat down). All staff are required to complete this training. Training roster and training records were reviewed and documented this training for staff working at PRJDC. Additional training is provided at the facility for the onsite training staff. A review of the topic included an additional refresher to most topics found in the training curriculum. The agency Policy addresses PREA related training for staff. All interviewed staff members were familiar with the PREA information regarding primary components of preventing, detecting and responding to sexual abuse or sexual harassment. Interviews with non-direct care staff and contracting staff and files of non-direct care and contracting staff confirmed that all staff working at PRJDC receive the same training. Policy and procedure mandate that staff are training a minimum of once each year. All staff indicated they had to complete preservice prior to working with any youths. Several stated they had to shadow staff for at least two weeks after receiving their preservice training. Group Leader provide additional training for all staff and youth on an ongoing basis.

115.331 (d): The agency document training, through employee signature or electronic verification that employees understand the training they have received. The policy provides all training be documented. Staff members sign training rosters and training acknowledgement statements. A checklist is utilized for orientation training for all new employees and contains the elements of PREA training. The facility provided the Auditor with several examples for verification of the training occurring and the training was verified through staff interviews. PREA training is provided to staff, as indicated by a review of policy and training documents. The documents and staff interviews support refresher training is also conducted and is documented. The direct care staff interviewed and the PREA Compliance Manager reported the training is provided as required. All direct care staff members interviewed, and document reviewed verified the general topics below were included in the training: At the facility, it was evident through documentation, interviews, and observation of the day-today operations the staff is trained continually about the PREA standards during shift briefings, monthly staff meetings, and the completion of various on-line and instructor led trainings.

The MVTC random staff interviewed and the Facility Manager reported the training is provided as required. All staff members interviewed, and documentation reviewed by the auditor verified the general topics identified in the Agency PREA Standard identified above, were included in their training. The Policy, training materials, staff interviews, review of the training logs and acknowledgement statements verify the staff training occurs.

MVTC requires staff to go through PREA training annually and additional training each month during an all-staff meeting. Staff interviewed indicated that one of the administrator meet with the staff during staff briefings at least once a month to discuss PREA related topics. There are Posters about Sexual safety located throughout the facility.

Compliance was determined by reviewing preservice and in service training curriculum and a review of the training records of staff. An interview with random staff also confirmed that they received the training and refresher training as mandated by policy.

115.332 Volunteer and contractor training Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard Auditor Discussion The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

Volunteers and General Contractors Training

Volunteers (Practicums) and/or Contractual Providers cover letter for DYP fundamental Practices.

Volunteers, Practicums, Interns and Community Liaison Councils

DYS Policy 9.19 Volunteers, Practicums, Interns and Community Liaison Councils

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA

Training Sign in Sheets

115.332 (a): Prior to having contact with the youths all volunteers and contractors receive training on their responsibilities under the agency's sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detention, and response policies and procedures. The level and type of training provided shall be based on the services they provide and the level of contact they have with youths, but all volunteers and contractors who have contact with youths shall be notified of the agency's zero tolerance Policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment and be informed how to report such incidents. At the time of the audit the facility did not have any contracting or volunteer staff.

115.332 (b): All volunteers and contractors who have contact with youths shall be notified of the agency's zero-tolerance Policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment and informed how to report such incidents.

115.332 (c): The agency shall maintain documentation confirming that volunteers and contractors understand the training they have received. The PREA Notification document contains the information reviewed with the contractor and volunteer. The document also serves as the training acknowledgement statement containing the signature of the participant and the date, confirming their understanding of the PREA information. During the last year, no contractors or volunteers have received Volunteer and Contractor training.

A review of the training curriculum, and interviews with personnel staff and PREA compliance manager confirm compliance with this standard.

115.333 Resident education Auditor Overall Determination: Exceeds Standard **Auditor Discussion** The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard. DYS Policy 9.18 PREA DYS Policy 9.5 Youth Care Youth Training and education PREA acknowledgement form PREA Brochures (French Creole, Spanish, and English) Special accommodations for disability Youth education sign in Youth training Education material Advocacy brochure 10 Youth Files DYS Policy 8.3 Individual Education Program Special Education-Section 115.333 (a): Facility Policy (DYS) 9.18 PREA Section I-II provides all residents admitted receive information about the facility, including PREA education. According to the PCM an orientation will be provided on the day when residents are admitted to the facility. Policy provides that residents receive a comprehensive age appropriate PREA education session when youth are admitted to the facility. The results of the staff and resident interviews indicated the information provided to the residents is comprehensive and age appropriate. The intake staff's interview revealed residents are educated regarding their rights to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment, and to be free from retaliation for reporting such incidents. The PREA education sessions include a review of the Safety Brochure. The residents sign acknowledgement statements confirming their receipt of the PREA information. A review of documentation showing dates and indicating residents' participation in PREA education sessions confirmed the PREA education sessions occur. The PREArelated information is provided to youth in policies and procedures, training and staff meetings. 115.333 (b): Youths receive information explaining the agency's zero tolerance Policy in an age-appropriate fashion including how to report incidents or suspicions

of sexual abuse or sexual harassment in the following manner. The comprehensive education is in a format accessible to all youths, including those who are limited

English proficient, deaf, visually impaired, or otherwise disabled as well as to the youths who have limited reading skills. The facility has the capability of providing the PREA education in formats accessible to all youths including those who may be limited English proficient; deaf; visually impaired, or otherwise disabled, and to youths who have limited reading skills. According to documentation and interview with Facility Director and the Assistant Facility Administrator, the local school system will assist with the provision of services for disabled and limited English proficient youths. If the youth report a deficiency or the staff are aware of a deficiency in any of these areas, they report to the supervisor the need for an additional resource. The supervisor notifies the facility administrator who will contact the appropriate community resource services including the local board of education. Arrangements will be made for an interpreter who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary, when necessary. In all circumstances this center will not rely on youth interpreters. Special needs youth are provided training that is age and maturity-based training per Special Needs. Compliance was confirmed by review of the. The staff conducting the comprehensive training reviews the youth brochure and read the training that is found in a "comic strip" type training book. The guide is called Safety First and goes though all aspects of the PREA standards and includes a test that youth take prior to signing the training forms.

115.333 (c): DYS Policy 9.18 requires that youths receive such education upon arrival or transfer at the facility and shall receive education upon transfer to a different DYS center to the extent that the policies and procedures of the youth's new facility differ from those of the previous center.

115.333 (d): The agency shall provide youth education in formats accessible to all youths, including those who are limited English proficient, deaf, visually impaired, or otherwise disabled, as well as to youths who have limited reading skills. The facility has the capability to provide the PREA education in formats accessible to all youths including those who may be hearing impaired; Deaf; have intellectual, psychiatric and speech disabilities; low vision; blind; limited reading, limited English proficient, and based on the individual need of the youth. Documentation was reviewed of a contracting service for language lines. Posted PREA information is in English and Spanish accessible to youths, staff, contractors, volunteers, and visitors. Staff interviews confirmed youths are not used as translators or readers for other youths. The facility staff indicated that the facility director, education supervisor and medical staff would work with the community resources to provide education to youths regardless of his limitations or disabilities. According to the PAQ, the education department assists in providing information one-on-one in large print, visual aid and magnifiers, translation and other services through the youths individual Education Plan.

115.333 (e): The agency shall maintain documentation of youth participation in these education sessions. A sample of signed acknowledgement statements were reviewed which supported the youths' involvement in PREA education sessions. The youths were aware of PREA information, including their rights regarding PREA, how to report allegations and that they would not be punished for reporting allegations

of sexual abuse or sexual harassment. The Intake staff was interviewed regarding PREA education for youths. Staff ensures youths' receipt of the information, including the youth signing the acknowledgement form. A review of ten youth files confirmed they acknowledged the received a PREA orientation during intake and a comprehensive training within 10 days of arrival at the facility. In the last 12 months 42 youths received comprehensive training as indicated in the PAQ.

115.333 (f): In addition to providing such education, the agency shall ensure that key information is continuously and readily available or visible to youths through posters, youth handbooks, or other written formats. The PREA education materials provide youths information on how to report allegations of sexual harassment and sexual abuse. A safety guide is provided to each youth to eliminate incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The guide provides educational information regarding sexual abuse and victims in a cartoon format. The youths revealed they can report allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment by telling a staff member or telling a family. There were PREA educational documentation noted throughout the facility including the lobby, visitation and living units.

All youth interviewed formally and informally during tour and subsequent visits to the recreation area confirmed that their Group Leader and advocate talks to them on a daily basis about PREA. They indicated that the staff that conduct round will ask them questions about PREA. They also indicated that during their initial treatment team meetings the Group Leader will talk about PREA with their parents.

Exceed Compliance was determined by review of the agency policies, training curriculum, posters, and youth files and interviews with staff and youths.

115.334 Specialized training: Investigations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

Prison Rape Elimination Act

Out of Home Investigators Interview

Legal Services Investigator interview

DYS Process and certificate of training

PREA Current Inspector Training Roster

While the agency is does not conduct any investigations, personnel responsible for investigation have received training in conducting sex abuse, sexual harassment investigations in confinement setting.

115.334 (a): Missouri Division of Youth Services (DYS) Policy 9.18 (Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003) requires an administrative and/or criminal investigation for all allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment and requires staff to refer all alleged incidents of sexual abuse, harassment or misconduct to the Missouri Children's Division Out-of-Home Investigation Unit (CD-OHI) for residents under the age of 18 and Division of Legal Services (DLS) for residents over 18 years of age. Interviews with the Assistant Regional Administrator and the Youth Facility Manager it was stated that MVTC staff do not conduct administrative or criminal investigations; therefore, their staff have not received training in conducting such investigations in confinement settings.

115.334 (b): In addition to the general training provided to all employees pursuant to §115.331, the agency shall ensure that, to the extent the agency itself conducts sexual abuse investigations, its investigators have received training in conducting such investigations in confinement settings. Provision (b): Specialized training shall include techniques for interviewing juvenile sexual abuse victims, proper use of Miranda and Garrity warnings, sexual abuse evidence collection in confinement settings, and the criteria and evidence required to substantiate a case for administrative action or prosecution referral. A copy of the training curriculums was accessible to the auditor and was reviewed for compliance with this standard.

115.334 (c): The agency provided certifications from all staff that have received the specialized training.

Compliance was determined by review of the training curriculum, interviews with investigators including Agency Investigators, Out of Home Investigators, Legal Services Investigators.

115.335 Specialized training: Medical and mental health care

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

DYS Policy 9.18

DYS Policy 3.18 Training

Medical training Mental health training

PREA-Mental Health and Medical Professionals

Specialized training for medical and mental health

115.335 (a): DYS Policy 3.18 Training - Specialized Training Medical-MH Medical training provides medical and mental health staff members receive the regular PREA training and the specialized training is provided as part of DYS training modules. In addition to the Zero Tolerance policy, all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners will be trained in the following: 1. How to detect and assess signs of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. 2. How to preserve physical evidence of sexual abuse. 3. How to respond effectively and professionally to juvenile victims of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. 4. How and to whom to report allegations or suspicions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. 5. Medical and mental health practitioners are required by mandatory reporting laws to report sexual abuse. 6. Medical and mental health practitioners shall inform youths at the initiation of services of their duty to report and the limitations of confidentiality regarding sexual abuse.

There was one medical staff that was hired after the PAQ that has received the training as required. The training was documented in the training acknowledgement and interviews with the new medical staff confirmed she had received the training. The mental health staff are regionally based and receive their training through the regional office.

115.335 (b): Forensic medical examinations are not conducted by the facility medical staff or mental health staff.

115.335 (c): It was evident through the medical and mental health staff interviews they had received the basic PREA training provided to all staff and the specialized on-line training offered by NIC. A review of the training documentation confirmed medical and mental health staff receives the required refresher PREA training on an annual basis. Additionally, the medical and mental health staff is required to review and sign the DYS Fundamental Practices form to acknowledge they received the

training and understand their responsibilities in the event of an incident.

115.335 (d): The mental health and medical staff completed the general and refresher training provided for all staff members. Since this a diverse population of youths the clinical staff provide additional training on de-escalation, suicide prevention, recognizing the needs of transgender youths, and sexual orientation, gender identify expression.

A review of the training curriculum, acknowledgement documentation and interview with medical and mental health staff confirmed that the staff have received specialized training and generalized training as required by standard.

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

115.341 Obtaining information from residents

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

Screening procedures for PREA Vulnerability Information Review (PVIR)

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA

DYS Policy 9.5 Res. Care

DYS 9.01 DYS Comprehensive Assessment

DYS Policy 6.7 Administrative Case Review

MISSOURI DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE CASE REVIEW REPORT

PREA VULNERABILITY INFORMATION REVIEW (PVIR) SCREENING RESULTS AND FOLLOW-UP NOTIFICATION FORM

115.341 (a) and (b) DYS 9.01 DYS Comprehensive Assessment mandates that all youths will be interviewed using an objective screening instrument for risk of victimization potential vulnerabilities or sexual abusiveness tendencies to act out with sexually aggressive predatory behavior within seventy-two (72) hours. All youths are screened within twenty-four hours upon arrival at the facility to determine placement and their special needs. The medical and mental health screenings, conversations, classification assessments as well as reviewed court records and case files. The Missouri Youth Services has developed a seamless system to provide youth the best possible program to succeed.

Comprehensive Treatment Team: Includes at minimum the youth, parent/guardian, Service Coordinator (SC) and residential treatment staff.

Residential Pre-Placement Planning

- 1. Following assessment, the SC shall recommend residential placement to the SC team and/or SC supervisor (SCS).
- 2. After discussion with the SC team and/or supervisor, a final placement decision is made and the SCS shall ensure the residential program is contacted and appropriate case file information is provided prior to the youth's arrival. The SC complete section A of the PVIR prior to the discussion of the final placement decision.
- 3. Upon notification that a youth is being assigned to a residential program, designated residential staff shall ensure receipt and review of case information and completed section A of the PREA Vulnerability Information Review form (PVIR) (DYS F9-72).

4. The SCS shall ensure immediate youth needs are addressed, transportation arrangements made, and notification provided to parent(s)/legal guardian(s) for delivery of youth to the residential program.

The intake staff will administer a complete PVIR when the youth arrive at the facility. Forty youth remained at the facility more than 72 hours and had received the PVIR. All youth that makes an allegation or sexual abuse or are named in the sexual abuse allegation will be rescreened. Medical, mental health, and supervisory staff may conduct an additional rescreening based on reasonable concerns of the youth safety. Each youth has a team meeting monthly. During the team meeting staff will discuss the youth safety and ask him questions related to his sexual safety.

All staff that utilize the PVIR must complete training on conducting Screenings. The facility uses the information gathered to make room and programming assignments for the youths with the goal of keeping him safe and free from sexual abuse. The program is prohibited from using isolating. The staff member conducting the intake process will complete the screening using the PREA screening tool and will immediately report any heightened risks to the supervisor on duty before making housing decisions. Youths will be reassessed as needed. A review of the youth files determined that most youth have been rescreened on several occasions. Youth that was involved in an allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment were rescreened during the investigative process.

In interviews with youth each youth indicated they are seen daily or weekly by their advocate or the Group Leader in a group meeting and in a private one on one conversation about their progress, concerns and safety. While this is not a formal rescreening, the majority of the youth indicated that they are asked if they have been subject to being victimized or sexually harassed at the center or prior to coming to the center.

115.341 (c): Risk of Victimization and Sexually Aggressive Behavior screening include mental, physical, or developmental disabilities, age, physical build, prior incarcerations, criminal history (violent and non-violent), prior convictions for sex offenses against an adult or child, prior acts of sexual abuse, prior convictions for violent offenses, history of prior institutional violence or sexual abuse, prior sexual victimization, perception of vulnerability, and if the youth is or is perceived to be (LGBTQI) or gender nonconforming.

115.341 (d): Policy mandates that all youths will be interviewed using an objective screening instrument for risk of victimization potential vulnerabilities or sexual abusiveness tendencies to act out with sexually aggressive predatory behavior within seventy-two (72) hours. Screening staff interviewed indicated staff review the youths court records, suicide screening reports, family information and any other documents that are provide to them at the time of intake. The screening staff utilizes the screening instrument during the initial intake process that includes and conversation with the youth in a private setting. The screening staff indicated they introduce the screening instrument to the youth by explaining the purpose of the questions and acknowledges to the youths that that the know they just had the

same questions, but it is important in order to make sure they are safe and get the most out of the stay at the center. After the initial screening or prior to the screening the medical staff interviews the youths and conduct a medical screening. The nurse indicated she talks about sexual transmitted diseases and youths' perception of vulnerability.

Based on the review of the agency Policy and procedures, observations and information obtained through staff and youth interviews, and review of 15 youth files, the facility has demonstrated compliance with this standard.

115.342 Placement of residents

Auditor Overall Determination: Exceeds Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives and documentation were reviewed in formulating compliance with this standard:

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA

DYS Policy 6.7

DYS Policy 9.8 Separation

DYS Policy 6.1

DYS Policy 9.8

DYS Policy 9.28 Developing Relationships

Screening Instrument sample

Statement of Fact

115.342 (a DYS Policy 9.18 PREA establishes protocol to house youths in a safe environment. The facility Policy provides guidance to staff regarding the use of the information obtained from the screening forms. The Facility Manager and assigned staff utilize various forms, Vulnerability Information Review (PVIR), the Assessment Summary to name a few and any other pertinent information during the resident's admission process. Also, the staff determine placement of residents in a specific sleeping assignment according to their risk level (low, medium, or high). Staff interviews described how information is derived from the various forms and the initial medical and mental health/substance abuse screening forms to determine placement and risk level. In addition, the policy describes the screening and assessment process and how that information, along with information derived from medical and mental health screening and assessments, records reviews, database checks, conversations, and observations, is used to determine a resident's appropriate placement, housing and bed assignments, as well as work, education, and program assignments with the goal of keeping all residents safe and free from sexual abuse, taking into consideration his PVIR, programming plan, and sexual orientation. Transgender youth would be interviewed by the clinical director for determination of her assignment. The youth perception and own views with respect to her safety would be given serious consideration when making the housing placement decision.

115.342 (b): Individualized determinations are made about how to ensure the safety of each youth. Youths who score at risk of victimization or abusiveness are referred for further evaluation with the Mental Health provider. Youths have an option of

refusing these services. The center has not segregated or removed youths from the program for a PREA incident in the last 12 months. The agency PREA coordinator, and facility administrator interviewed indicated that the center would comply with requirements of the standard if transgender were housed at the facility. The Facility Manager indicated that the initial screening and any updated screening information is considered for placement of youths on a continuous basis.

115.342 (c): DYS Policy 9.18 (Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003); Policy 9.08 (Separation); Policy 9.28 (Developing Relationships) and Policy 6.01 (Programmatic Rights of Youth & Grievance Process) prohibits gay, bi-sexual, transgender and intersex residents being placed in a dorm area, bed or other assignments based solely on their identification or status. In addition, the policy describes the screening and assessment process and how that information, along with information derived from medical and mental health screening and assessments, records reviews, database checks, conversations, and observations, is used to determine a resident's appropriate placement, housing and bed assignments, as well as work, education, and program assignments with the goal of keeping all residents safe and free from sexual abuse. During the comprehensive site review, there were no rooms observed to be reserved for transgender or intersex residents.

115.342 (d) – (f) A transgender or intersex youth's housing and program assignments will be reassessed every six months to review any threats to safety experienced by the youth. Transgender and intersex youths' placement and programming are reviewed as needed, but at least every six months. A transgender or intersex youths' own views of their safety is taken into consideration.

115.342 (g-I) Transgender and intersex youths are offered the opportunity to shower separately from other youths as indicated in their Statement of Search/ Shower/ Pronoun Preference Form. The facility did not have a transgender or intersex youth during the audit timeframe. The facility does not use isolation as a way to separate youths. The center has not segregated or removed youths from the program for a PREA incident in the last 12 months.

The agency PREA coordinator, and facility administrator interviewed indicated that the center would comply with requirements of the standard if transgender were housed at the facility. The Facility Administrator indicated that the initial screening and any updated screening information is considered for placement of youths on a continuous basis.

The agency has a standing committee to review all youth prior to determining the center the youth is going to be assigned. The Comprehensive Treatment Team: Includes at minimum the youth, parent/guardian, Service Coordinator (SC) and residential treatment staff.

1. Following assessment, the SC shall recommend residential placement to the SC team and/or SC supervisor (SCS). 2. After discussion with the SC team and/or supervisor, a final placement decision is made and the SCS shall ensure the residential program is contacted and appropriate case file information is provided prior to the youth's arrival. 3. Upon notification that a youth is being assigned to a

residential program, designated residential staff shall ensure receipt and review of case information and complete section A of the PREA Vulnerability Information Review form (PVIR) (DYS F9-72). 4. The SCS shall ensure immediate youth needs are addressed, transportation arrangements made, and notification provided to parent(s)/legal guardian(s) for delivery of youth to the residential program. 1. Upon a youth's arrival to the assigned residential facility, designated residential employees shall follow intake procedures outlined below: Complete remaining sections of the PVIR (DYS F9-72) within 72 hours. b. Complete and enter the Juvenile Movement Form (DYS: F4-11) in accordance with DYS Administrative Policy 4.2 (On-Line Information Tracking System). c. Provide youth with the Youth/Parent Hand Book and review its contents within 72 hours. Every effort will be made to provide a copy of the Youth/Parent Handbook to the parent(s)/legal guardian(s). d. Complete Safety-First Training. Information within the training regarding safety, rights and how to report shall be completed immediately upon arrival. The remainder of the training shall be completed within 10 days of arrival. e. Complete Restraint Training in accordance with DYS Administrative Policy 3.18 (Training). f. Complete Facility Health Screen form DYS: F7-17 in accordance with DYS Administrative Policy 7.2 (Standards). g. Complete Nursing Assessment in accordance with DYS Administrative Policy 7.2 (Standards). h. Ensure parent(s)/legal guardian(s) is notified of youth's arrival.

Exceed Compliance of this standard were determined by decision to place youth in appropriate facilities based on PVIR screening, review of court document and working as a team to determine what is the best program to promote a safe environment and achieve the best outcome for the youth. Further exceed was based on review of the screening instrument, interviews with medical and mental health director, and facility administrator.

115.351 **Resident reporting** Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion** The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard. MO DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES FUNDAMENTAL PRACTICES DYS 9.18 PREA DYS Policy 3.8 Employee Conduct DSS Policy 2-101 Sexual Harassment/Inappropriate Conduct RSMo 210.115.1 DYS 5.12 Establishment and Maintenance of Manuals **PREA Brochures** Youth and Parent Handbook - mail and phone procedures Youth reporting Posters Victim Services Agreement The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard. 115.351 (a) The above policies, agreement and External reporting mechanism identifies the multiple internal ways for residents to report sexual abuse and harassment incidents, retaliation, staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to such incidents. Included are reporting to the Children's Division Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline or Victim Services hotline. Also, the policies identified the resident's accessibility to filing a grievance, communication (telephone, visitation, and correspondence) with their attorney and/or parent/ guardian, staff providing access to the hotline without asking the resident the purpose of the call, the staff requirement of mandatory reporting and completing an incident report. The department has provided a method for staff to privately report sexual abuse and sexual harassment of residents. Missouri Law explicitly mandates reporting of sexual abuse sexual harassment. The reporting of child abuse, abandonment, or neglect is codified in RSMo 210.115.1 The auditor called the Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline and the Victim Services hotline and was able to speak to a live staff member. The Victim Services also asked if I wish to talk to a victim advocate or an emotional support staff.

115.351 (b): The agency shall also provide at least one way for residents to report abuse or harassment to a public or private entity or office that is not part of the agency and that is able to receive and immediately forward resident reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to agency officials, allowing the resident to remain anonymous upon request. Residents may call the Children's Division Child Abuse and Neglect hotline or the Victim Services hotline. Residents may request to use a telephone with some degree of privacy to call the hotlines without having to obtain staff permission and that mandates staff not to question residents about the reason for the call. A resident can request writing materials to write and send a letter to one of these sources. Random residents interviewed were aware of the abuse hotline and were able to articulate how they could gain access. The youth and parent handbook provides the following ways to report. This information is also included in the Safety First Training and posted through the center. The auditor called all of the telephone numbers found in the reporting mechanism and was able to talk to a live person.

You can verbally tell any staff including:

Your advocate
Any member of your Staff Team
The Group Leader
The Facility Manager
Your Service Coordinator
A Family Specialist
The Assistant Regional Administrator
You can also:

- Tell your parent/guardian or other family member and have them make a report for you
- You may submit a grievance or handwritten note to any staff member, or you may place your grievance or note in the Safety-First box
- You can contact the Missouri Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline at 1-800-392-3738
- You may contact the Springfield Victim Center at 417-864-7233. Contact information for these agencies is located on posters/pamphlets around the facility.

115.351 (c): Staff shall accept reports made verbally, in writing, anonymously, and from third parties and shall promptly document any verbal reports. The staff interviews confirmed the methods available to residents for reporting allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Staff members are required to accept third party reports and to document verbal reports. All residents interviewed revealed they are familiar with the provisions of the standard. The resident interviews demonstrated their familiarity with the various ways they may report either in person, in writing, by phone, completing a PREA/grievance or Medical Request Form, or through a third-party. The residents were aware third-party reports could be made and that reports can be made anonymously. Staff members interviewed were aware

of their duty to receive and document third-party reports.

115.351 (d): The facility provides residents with access to tools necessary to make a written report. Writing materials are readily available for residents to complete the accessible forms. Prior to the site visit pictures were sent to the auditor showing the reporting forms such as PREA/Grievance forms and Medical Request Forms and the accessibility of writing utensils. During the site visit and while on the site review, the auditor observed the accessibility of writing utensils to the residents. Staff must report sexual abuse and sexual harassment immediately to the Facility Manager and must immediately notify the Children's Division Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline. Staff and Facility Manager confirmed that staff may report directly to the facility administrator, and he will coordinate with the staff to call Children's Division Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline, local law enforcement and legal guardian.

115.351 (e): Staff may make anonymous reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment of residents to their local law enforcement, Children's Division Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline. PREA Coordinator, facility manager or the PREA compliance manager.

Compliance was determined by review of posters, policy, and interview with staff, calls to all posted telephone numbers including the Children's Division Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline, Victim Services Hotline.

115.352 Exhaustion of administrative remedies

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

Youth/Parent Handbook

Youth Grievances Forms

15.252 (a): This standard does apply to Mount Vernon Treatment Center because the facility does have administrative procedures to address resident grievances regarding sexual abuse and harassment. Youth may file a grievance regarding sexual abuse or sexual harassment. However, the director will forward the grievance to the appropriate investigator as soon as receiving the grievance. The facility will not undertake investigations of the grievance, however if it is an emergency grievance and the youth claims or appears to be imminent danger or if the grievance claims staff member sexual abuse, the facility director will take immediate steps to protect the youth, to preserve the crime scene and to remove the staff from the areas where the youth is housed or placed staff member on administrative leave pending investigation. Instructions on how to file grievances are provided to youths on PREA Education Manual for Youths and PREA posters. The agency utilizes the Grievance system for youth to make allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment, the grievance system does meet the standards for reporting non PREA related allegations.

Compliance was determined by review of the policies, interview PREA compliance managers, youths, and presence of grievance provides a procedure for youths to submit grievances regarding sexual abuse and the agency has procedures for dealing with these grievances. Instructions on how to file grievances are provided to youths in the youth's handbook and PREA posters.

115.353

Resident access to outside confidential support services and legal representation

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

DYS Policy 6.5 youth's visit, mail, and telephone

DYS Policy 6.2 Legal Representation

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA

Child Advocacy Center

Victim Services Center Interview

Victim Advocate Brochures

115.353 (a): DYS Policy 9.18 PREA mandates the facility shall provide youths with access to outside victim advocates for emotional support services related to sexual abuse, by providing, posting, or otherwise making accessible mailing addresses and telephone numbers, including toll free hotline numbers where available, of local, State, or national victim advocacy or rape crisis organizations, and, for persons detained solely for civil immigration purposes, immigrant services agencies. The facility shall enable reasonable communication between youths and these organizations and agencies, in as confidential a manner as possible. MVTC ensures youths are provided access to outside confidential support services. The facility does not have an MOU, however, has an agreement with Victim Services Center or Victim Advocacy Center to provide emotional support, counselling; follow-up support; SANE evaluation and referral for treatment after release or transfer to another facility. However, the agency has an understanding of services to be provided by the Missouri Victim Advocacy Centers throughout Missouri. The was confirmed by emails and interviews with Victim Services Center. The staff indicated that besides providing victim advocacy, they provide a telephone number that will allow the youth to talk to a trained counselor for emotional support. They would also make arrangements to visit with the victim or have the victim brought to them or another location if allowed by the facility. The facility does not house youth for deportation services.

115.353 (b): The facility shall inform youths, prior to giving them access, of the extent to which such communications will be monitored and the extent to which reports of abuse will be forwarded to authorities in accordance with mandatory reporting laws. The policy addresses confidentiality of the advocacy support services. The youth receive information regarding the limitations of confidentiality during the intake process. An acknowledgement statement specific to the review of the reporting and advocacy services contains information regarding the advocacy

services to be provided by Victim Services Center and Child Advocacy Center. When contacted by phone the centers' staff explained they always tell the caller that the telephone calls or confidential however, they have a responsibility to report allegation of child abuse or child neglect. The center works collaboratively with emotional support centers to continue to provide mental health services.

115.353 (c): The agency shall maintain or attempt to enter into memoranda of understanding or other agreements with community service providers that are able to provide youths with confidential emotional support services related to sexual abuse. The agency shall maintain copies of agreements or documentation showing attempts to enter into such agreements. Youth may use the phone, located on each living unit, and push the appropriate number to gain access and speak with a victim advocate. The agency is identified on the signage along with directions for reporting allegations or requesting advocacy services. The Facility Administrator confirmed the availability and accessibility of outside confidential support services to youths.

115.353 (d): The facility shall also provide youths with reasonable and confidential access to their attorneys or other legal representation and reasonable access to parents or legal guardians. The interview's confirmed youths have access to attorneys and court workers and reasonable access to their parents/legal guardians. The site tour revealed areas where youths could meet privately with a legal representative and the visitation area for visits with family members. All youths interviewed stated family could visit and they provided the days and times of visitation and for phone calls. Youths interviewed confirmed the facility would allow them to see or talk with their lawyer, another lawyer, or a court representative privately. Youths interviewed confirmed the facility would allow them to see and talk with their parents or someone else, such as a legal guardian. Visitors to the facility are informed of PREA.

In touring the center, there were limited victim services posters located in the center. Staff indicated that the area that the signage is located had been painted and signage has not been placed back on the wall. In interview with youth, youth that had been at the center for over 60 days new about the victim advocate for emotional support, while resident that were new to the center were not aware of the services available to the youth. A corrective action plan was required. The center reposted all of the posters, add the victim emotional support in the youth/parent handbook and did a training of all youth on the role of the emotional support staff, how to contact the staff and the confidentiality of the conversations and their duty to report. All of this documentation was supplied to the auditor.

The Facility Administrator confirmed the facility provides youths with reasonable and confidential access to their attorneys or court representatives and reasonable access to parents or legal. The Youth/Parent handbook provides how families and lawyers may contact the youth.

Compliance was determined by review of center visitation rules, policies, and memorandums, posters located throughout the facility and interview with Staff of Victim Services Center, facility administrator and random staff and youths.

115.354 Third-party reporting

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

PREA Brochure Posted Information

Website

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA

Youth/Family Handbook

DYS Internet page http://dss.mo.gov/dys/ allows for the public to report resident sexual abuse or harassment through the Children's Division Hotline link that is provided on the site. For other complaints or to report sexual abuse or harassment regarding youth age 18 and older, individuals can send a complaint through "AskDYS" at AskDYS@dss.mo.gov which is provided on the website.

115.354 (a) MVTC shall provide youth with reasonable and confidential access to their attorneys or other legal representation and reasonable access to parent(s) or legal guardian(s) in accordance with DYS Policy. Third Party Reporting process, instructs staff to accept third party reports from any source, provides information for anyone who sees or suspects sexual abuse, sexual harassment, or victimization of any kind to report it promptly through DYS websites provides the public with information regarding third party reporting of sexual abuse or sexual harassment on behalf of a youth. Additionally, the staff provides the parent/guardian with a packet containing varied forms, victim advocate services and third-party reporting information.

Reporting Posters were posted in the visitation room during the audit and the main lobby of the facility. The Child Advocacy Center provides third party reporting for reports of child abuse, neglect or trafficking. The youth/family handbook contains phone number and the various ways for families to make notification of sexual abuse or sexual harassment.

The Victim Services also provides third parties for reports of child abuse, neglect or trafficking. Their information is located in the youth/guardian handbook.

The facility provides additional methods to receive third-party reports of resident sexual abuse or sexual harassment, and the agency/facility publicly distributes information on how to report resident sexual abuse or sexual harassment on behalf of residents. The resident handbook and PREA Brochure (Safety 1st) provides residents with ways to make a report. In addition, the parents are provided a handbook with PREA related information.

The agency website (http://dss.mo.gov/dys/) allows for the public to report resident sexual abuse or harassment or a report can be made through the Children's Division Hotline.

Compliance was determined by interviews with random staff and youths as well as review of policies and posters.

115.361 Staff and agency reporting duties Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA; - Reporting Allegations

DSS Policy 2-101 Sexual Harassment/Inappropriate

DYS Policy 3.8 Employee Conduct

DSS Administrative Policy 2-101 - Employment Practices

Missouri Legislative Reporting

Staff Training

115.361 (a) (b): DYS Policy 3.8 Employee Conduct mandate that employees are required to report suspicious or inappropriate conduct of other employees. Whenever a DYS employee has reasonable cause to suspect an abusive or neglectful incident has occurred, they should report immediately as outlined below. This includes, but is not limited to, any knowledge, suspicion or information they receive regarding an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment that occurred in any residential/detention facility, even if external to DYS; any retaliation against youth or employee for having reported such an incident; and any employee neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to an incident or retaliation.

All allegations of sexual abuse and harassment, including third-party and anonymous reports, must be investigated. Allegations of abuse, harassment or neglect of youth, other employees, or visitors or criminal behavior may require the immediate removal of an employee from the workplace or the agency. Agency administration and external investigators may be involved in the review of the allegations utilizing the steps outlined below:

- 1. The site supervisor or employee on duty shall take immediate action to ensure the safety of the youth, employees and public, to include contacting law enforcement when necessary.
- 2. If an employee has reasonable cause to suspect an abusive or neglectful incident has occurred, or if allegations of abuse or neglect have been made,
- a. For youth under the age of 18, the employee shall call the Children's Division (CD) Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline (1-800-392-3738) immediately.
- b. For youth over the age of 18, a report shall be made to the Division HR Manager or Personnel Officer who shall refer the allegations to the Division of Legal Services

for investigation. In the event that the incident happens after normal business hours or on the weekend, the site supervisor or designee should take immediate action to ensure safety and report immediately the next business day.

- c. After the report has been made, the employee should notify their site supervisor who shall immediately notify the RA or designee. In instances wherein the supervisor or designee is believed to be the perpetrator, the employee shall notify the supervisor or designee at the next appropriate supervisory level.
- 115.361 (c): Only designated employees specified by policy should be informed of the incident in order to respect the victim's privacy, security, and identity. All allegations of sexual abuse shall be handled in a confidential manner throughout the investigation. All conversations and contact with the alleged victim should be sensitive, supportive and non-judgmental.

Agency Policy supports that after allegations have been appropriately reported, staff will not be permitted to give out any other information relating to what was reported except when necessary to obtain treatment for the resident, aid in the investigation, or help retain the security of the facility. Staff is expected to continue to abide by the confidentiality requirements of the facility. Interviews with staff indicated their knowledge of the prohibition of revealing any information related to a sexual abuse report to anyone other than to the extent necessary to make treatment, investigation, and other security and management decisions. Based on the review of documentation and interviews with staff, it is evident the facility follows this provision of the standard.

- 115.361 (d): Medical and mental health practitioners shall be required to report sexual abuse to designated supervisors and officials pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, as well as to the designated State or local services agency where required by mandatory reporting laws. (2) Such practitioners shall be required to inform residents at the initiation of services of their duty to report and the limitations of confidentiality. The medical health staff interviewed stated residents are informed at the initiation of services of the limitations of confidentiality and the duty of the staff members to report. The clinical staff interviewed revealed they are mandated reporters.
- 115.361 (e): PREA Compliance Manager, Administrator On-Duty, or designee shall immediately notify law enforcement authorities. The alleged victim's parents/legal guardians will also be notified, unless the facility has official documentation showing the parents or legal guardians should not be notified. If a juvenile court has jurisdiction over the alleged victim, and contact information is able to be obtained, the Administrator On-Duty or designee will also report the allegation to the alleged victim's attorney, juvenile probation officer, or other legal representative of record within 14 days of receiving the allegation. All attempts to contact the child's attorney or receive contact information for the child's attorney will be documented.
- 115.361 (f): Staff training and policy mandates that all employees, volunteers, interns, and contractors shall immediately report any knowledge, suspicion, or information regarding an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment that

occurred in the facility, retaliation against youths or staff who reported such an incident, and any staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to an incident or retaliation to the shift supervisor, PCM or Administrator. Policy and training also require reporting any third-party reports of sexual abuse, sexual harassment, staff neglect and retaliation.

In interviews with random staff, PCM, facility manager, all understood their roles in reporting, protecting and supporting youth that have been sexual abuse or sexually harassed. All staff new they had a mandate to report and that there is no age of consent in a DYS facility.

Compliance was determined by review of policies, training, and interviews with direct care staff and first responders that are not direct care staff, the facility administrator, and the agency head designee and the PREA coordinator.

115.362 **Agency protection duties** Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion** The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard. DYS Policy 9.18 PREA - Agency Protection Duties **PAQ** 115.362 (a) DYS Policy 9.18 require staff to protect the youths through immediately implementing protective measures. Interviews with the youths revealed their concerns about their own safety are discussed during the intake process and during the administration of Screening assessments. Policies require that if the youth alleges they are at substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, staff will take immediate steps to ensure the safety of the youth. The direct care staff will take steps to separate the alleged victim from the alleged perpetrator and notify the staff with highest authority at the facility and the assistant facility administrator, or facility director. These staff will then determine the best options to protect the victim. The staff will then follow the mandatory reporting steps. All youths participate in a treatment team meeting once a month with MVTC, community staff and parents. During these meeting youth are asked if they feel safe at the facility. There have been no instances where youths were at imminent danger of sexual abuse.

Staff interviewed indicated they would act immediately to protect the youth from any harm including sexual abuse or exploitation by other youth, staff, visitors, volunteers or contractors.

Compliance was determined by review of policies and interviews with direct care staff, non-direct care staff, and the facility manager.

115.363	Reporting to other confinement facilities				
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard				
	Auditor Discussion				
	The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.				
	DYS Policy 9.18 PREA				
	Statement of Fact				
	115.363(a-d) In the event that a youth alleges that Sexual Abuse occurred while confined at another Facility, the Facility will document the allegations, notify the sending facility administrator, Children's Division (CD) Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline. If the allegation was criminal in nature the facility administrator would also notify local law enforcement. The report will be reported to the sending center as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours after receiving the notification. The facility manager cannot designate a staff to make this report and will document he report and copy his/her supervisor.				
	During the past 12 months, there were no allegations received that a youth was abused while confined to another facility nor were there allegations of sexual abuse received by MVTC from other facilities.				
	Based on the review of the agency Policy and procedures, observations and information obtained through staff interviews and review of documentation, the				

facility has demonstrated compliance with this standard.

115.364 Staff first responder duties

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

First Responder Plan

Division of Youth Services First Responder Protocols for Sexual Abuse

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA - Responding to Allegations

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Volunteer and Contractor Training

Investigation Process

Statement of Fact

115.364 (a): Upon receipt of a report that a youth was sexually abused, or if an employee sees abuse, the first staff member to respond will: a. Separate the alleged victim and abuser. b. Call for emergency medical care for the victim, if necessary. c. Immediately notify the Administrator On-Duty and remain on the scene until relieved by responding personnel. d. Preserve and protect the scene of the alleged abuse until appropriate steps can be taken to collect any evidence. When appropriate, the staff member will remove all youths from the room or area. e. Assign the alleged victim and abuser to separate areas and ensure supervision by a same sex employee. f. If the alleged abuser is an employee, student intern or program volunteer, a supervisor must stay with the employee until further instruction is provided by an Administrator (e.g., safety plan, administrative leave). g. If the alleged abuse occurred within the past 96 hours, the employee(s) should request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence (e.g., washing, brushing teeth, changing clothes, urinating, defecating, drinking, or eating). h. Ensure that the alleged abuser not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence (e.g., washing, brushing teeth, changing clothes, urinating, defecating, drinking, or eating). i. Apart from reporting to designated supervisors, employees shall not reveal any information related to the incident to anyone other than to individuals involved with investigating the alleged incident. j. Document detailed description of 1) Victim and abuser locations and affect (e.g., emotions, appearance) 2) Wounds and their location 3) Anything the victim or abuser reported to the employee.

DYS First Responder Protocols for Sexual Abuse provides that upon learning of an allegation that a resident was sexually abused, the first security-level staff member to respond to the report shall be required to separate the alleged victim and abuser; preserve and protect any crime scene until appropriate steps can be taken to collect

any evidence; if the abuse occurred within a time-period that still allows for the collection of physical evidence, request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence. The interviews with staff confirmed awareness of first responder duties and the training they had been provided.

115.364 (b): If the first staff responder is not a security staff member, the responder shall be required to request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, and then notify security staff. Random staff interviews revealed considerable knowledge of actions to be taken upon learning a youth alleges being sexually abused. Staff interviewed confirmed they knew their obligations when a youth makes an allegation, or they suspect an incident of sexual abuse has occurred. Random interviews indicated youths would go directly to the medical or facility assistant director to report and understood that they would need to provide evidence for the center to prosecute the youth or staff that sexually assaulted them. The fundament Principles purpose is noted below: It is the Division's belief that staff learn, grow and develop professionally, just as our youth do in their treatment process. Each employee will be provided with extensive training and development opportunities to support their success. The DYS Fundamental Practices are not meant to be all inclusive. All employees are responsible for knowing and practicing DYS Beliefs and Philosophies and DSS/DYS Policies and Procedures.

During the last 12 months there have been no allegations of sexual abuse. Interview with the education staff (random staff interview) determined she was aware of their first duty responsibilities.

Compliance was determined by a review of center training plan, first responder flow chart and interviews with all staff including administrative support staff that do not deal directly with youth, however, do go to the area where youth a located.

115.365 Coordinated response

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

DYS Coordinated Response Plan

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA - Coordinated Response

PREA Response checklist

DYS Coordinated Response includes a written plan to coordinate actions of employee first responders, medical and mental health practitioners, investigators, and facility leadership in response to an incident of sexual abuse. DYS has a system in place providing the staff with clear actions to be taken by staff including contacting administrative staff, medical and mental health staff, OOHI, DLS and law enforcement, victim advocate services, & parent/guardian and several other individuals. Staff members are directed to follow the steps outlined and to utilize the checklist in addressing the situation.

DYS Coordinated Response Plan

Staff Timeframe Responsibility First Responder Immediately · Follow First Responder Protocols located in the Facility Manual · Document the incident in the Critical Incident Online Reporting System · Document call to the Child Abuse and Neglect hotline on the designated form First Responder's Immediate Supervisor Within 24 hours · Notify PREA Compliance Manager · Notify facility or regional nurse · Notify designated medical or mental health professional · Notify youth's parents and Service Coordinator PREA Compliance Manager/Facility Manager Within 24 hours · Provide access to designated rape crisis or victim advocacy organization · Notify other facility, if necessary · Document notification to DYS Central Office HR for referral to DLS for reports from youth 18 or over · Coordinate necessary communications between facility staff and investigators. PREA Compliance Manager/Facility Manager Within 72 hours · File the following documents in PREA file: -CIR -Log of Medical Visit -Hotline Report -Referral to Medical/Mental Health professional if necessary Facility/Regional Nurse Within 14 days · Coordinate any ongoing medical care Assistant Regional Administrator Within 30 days of the conclusion of investigation · Initiate Critical Incident Review to include obtaining input from Compliance was determined by review of the Coordinated Response of an Allegations of Sexual Abuse and interviews with random staff, PREA compliance manager, medical and mental health staff, shift supervisors, and victim advocate.

Interviews with the Facility Manager and other staff validated their technical knowledgeable of their duties in response to a sexual assault. Random staff interviewed were familiar with their roles regarding the response to an allegation of sexual abuse. The facility manager discussed the coordinated actions in response to

an incident of sexual abuse which was parallel to Policy and the flow chart. Staff members are directed to follow the steps outlined and to utilize the Checklist in addressing the situation.

Compliance was determined by review of the above coordinated response plan and interviews with staff responsible for carrying out the Coordinated Response Plan.

115.366

Preservation of ability to protect residents from contact with abusers

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA Employee Handbook

The Departments of Social Services and Health & Senior Services (Division of Senior and Disability Services and Division of Regulation and Licensure - Sections for Long Term Care and Child Care Regulation) and Office of Administration (Division of Facilities Management, Design and Construction) AND Communications Workers of America (CWA) Local 6355, AFL-CIO 1/1/2016 to 12/31/2018

115.366 (a): In every case where the alleged abuser is an employee, contractor or volunteer there will be no contact between the alleged abuser and the alleged victim pending the outcome of an investigation. Separation orders (e.g., safety plans) requiring "no contact" will be documented by facility management. A memorandum will be printed and maintained as part of the related investigation file.

DYS will not enter any agreement or contract with a private vendor to operate juvenile facilities that limits a facility's ability to remove alleged employee sexual abusers from contact with any youth pending the outcome of an investigation or of a determination of whether and to what extent discipline is warranted.

Compliance was determined by interview with agency head and PREA coordinator.

115.367 Agency protection against retaliation

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA - Protection against Retaliation

DSS Policy 2-101 - Employment Practices

DYS Retaliation Form

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115.367 (a): Facility PREA Response Plan establishes for protection or youth against retaliation and staff for reports of sexual abuse or harassment or cooperation with investigations. Allegations of retaliation shall be immediately reported to the site supervisor or designee. In instances where the supervisor is believed to be involved in the retaliation, the employee shall notify the supervisor or designee at the next appropriate supervisory level. For 90 calendar days, or longer based on continuing need, following a report of sexual abuse, the PREA retaliation monitor (assistant administrator) shall monitor the conduct or treatment of any individual, youth or employee, who were involved in a reported incident, and shall act promptly to remedy any such retaliation. Monitoring steps include reviewing group, or facility assignments, reviewing youth progress reports, periodic status checks with the youth, and performance reviews or reassignments of employees involved in the initial report or investigation. During the last 12 months there were no retaliation for reporting allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment. There have been one allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment alleged at the center during the last 12 months.

DYS has developed an agency wide form for all facilities managed by the cooperation to document retaliation monitoring.

115.367 (b): The agency shall employ multiple protection measures, such as housing changes or transfers for youth victims or abusers, removal of alleged staff or youth abusers from contact with victims, and emotional support services for youths or staff who fear retaliation for reporting sexual abuse or sexual harassment or for cooperating with investigations. The policy identifies measures to protect staff and youths including the following: a. Initiating housing changes or transfers for youth victims or abusers; b. Removing alleged staff or youth abusers from contact with victims; and c. Providing emotional support services. The interview confirmed the facility would protect youths and staff from retaliation for sexual abuse and sexual harassment allegations. Protective measures would include housing changes, transfers, removing alleged abusers, and emotional support services. The Retaliation Monitor identified protective measures that are aligned with the standard, including separating the alleged abuser from the alleged victim.

115.367 (c): For at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, the agency shall monitor the conduct or treatment of youths or staff who reported the sexual abuse and of youths who were reported to have suffered sexual abuse to see if there are changes that may suggest possible retaliation by youths or staff and shall act promptly to remedy any such retaliation. Items the agency should monitor include any youth disciplinary reports, housing, or program changes, or negative performance reviews or reassignments of staff. The agency shall continue such monitoring beyond 90 days if the initial monitoring indicates a continuing need. DYS Policy 9.18 requires the monitoring of items identified in this provision of the standard. The Retaliation Monitor explained during the interview how he would discharge those duties, including monitoring the items identified in the standard and whether a youth filed a grievance alleging sexual abuse or sexual harassment. Retaliation monitoring would occur for 90 days to see if there are any changes that may suggest possible retaliation by youths or staff, and shall act promptly to remedy any such retaliation, according to Policy. The monitoring will continue beyond ninety (90) days if the initial monitoring indicates a continuing need. There have been no incidents of retaliation during the 12 months preceding the audit.

115.367 (d): In the case of youths, such monitoring shall also include periodic status checks. The Retaliation Monitor indicated status checks would be initiated with staff and youths. The FOP states periodic status will occur. The Retaliation Status Checklist would be used to document the status checks.

115.367 (e): If any other individual who cooperates with an investigation expresses a fear of retaliation, the facility shall take appropriate measures to protect that individual against retaliation. Policy states if any other individual who cooperates with an investigation expresses the occurrence retaliation from another youth or staff member, MVTC shall take appropriate measures to protect that individual against retaliation. The assistant facility administrator indicated he would visit the youth whenever an allegation is lodged by youths or third party immediately and discuss her role to monitor for retaliation. The facility administrator indicated he would monitor staff that report and cooperated with any investigations. The retaliation monitor interviewed indicated she would meet with the youth on a weekly basis to assure there are no retaliation for reporting sexual abuse or sexual harassment.

Compliance was determined by review of policies, the monitoring check list and interviews with the retaliation monitor, facility administrator, PREA compliance manager and PREA coordinator.

115.368 Post-allegation protective custody

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

Facility PREA Response Plan

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA

DYS Policy 9.8 Separation

Statement of Fact

DYS does not utilize isolation for a PREA allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment. Separation of the youth from other youth with limited exceptions in the will not constitute Isolation as the youth will not be isolated from other persons. The Division of Youth Services (DYS) may utilize separation, but only as a last resort in those extreme instances when the safety of the youth and others cannot be met through other treatment and crisis intervention strategies.

To understand Separation of youth one must understand the definition as captured in Policy 9.8; A. Separation: Placement of a youth in an area that is separate from all other program activity for more than two hours with mandatory awareness supervision by DYS employee(s). B. Awareness Supervision: The ability to see, be seen by, and to hear and be heard by youth at all times. Employees shall be knowledgeable and capable of swift, appropriate response.

While the youth is separated, DYS employees shall be physically located in the same room and maintain awareness supervision at all times.

115.368 (a): The FM shall ensure that a separation plan is immediately developed which includes plans for the following: (a.) Staffing for awareness supervision. (b.) Continued treatment and education. (c.) Reintegration to safely transition the youth from separation back into the youth group. There has been no youth placed in an isolated area for a PREA incident.

Rules and Standards for the Operation of Juvenile Detention Facilities shall include, but not be limited to the following: a. The youth shall be provided adequate bedding for use during normal sleeping hours which shall be removed for the remainder of the day. b. The youth shall have the opportunity to shower once each day and shall be provided adequate personal hygiene articles. c. The youth shall be entitled to a minimum of one hour per day recreation outside the separation room. d. Attempts shall be made daily to provide the youth with educational materials which will allow the youth to remain current with his/her educational program. e. Non-academic reading material shall be made available to the youth. f. The youth shall have the opportunity for three meals daily. g. The youth shall have the

opportunity to wear appropriate clothing for the season.

In the event a youth remains in separation for 12 hours or the separation will extend into the youth's bedtime, the site supervisor shall ensure that the parent(s)/legal guardian(s), ARA, RA, supervising Deputy Director and all other parties involved in the youth's treatment are convened to determine interventions and possible actions.

No youth has been separated due to a PREA incident in the last 12 months.

Compliance was determined by review of policy, interviews with facility administrator, education lead teacher, medical and mental health staff.

115.371 Criminal and administrative agency investigations **Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard Auditor Discussion** The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard. DYS Policy 9.18 PREA - Investigations DYS Policy 3.8 Employee Conduct Investigative Notifications Process for Internal Administrative Investigations Investigative Files Review 115.371 (a): DYS Policy 9.18 establishes the agency Policy that all allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment will be investigated. Division of Youth Services does not conduct their own investigations of sexual abuse and harassment. The Office of the Out of Home Investigator conduct administrative investigations and criminal investigations for youth under the age of 18. OOHI work with local law enforcement for investigations actions which are criminal in nature. The Department of Social Services Division of Legal Services conducts investigations for youth over 18 years of age. Policy states that Agency's appointing authority, usually the facility manager shall ensure cooperation and coordination with all investigating agencies/ persons, and that the facility shall share all pertinent documentation, records, and available information with the agency. There were no criminal PREA-related allegations made during the previous twelve months. 115.371 (b): The Investigators follows protocols in conducting administrative investigations in DYS settings and the investigators receive training on the related agency policies DYS has requested the agencies that conduct allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment follow the PREA standards. Out of Home Investigators (OHI) and Legal Services Investigators have received training in conducting criminal sexual abuse investigations as indicated in interviews and standard 334. 15.371 (c): Investigators shall gather and preserve direct and circumstantial evidence, including any available physical and DNA evidence and any available electronic monitoring data; shall interview alleged victims, suspected perpetrators, and witnesses; and shall review prior complaints and reports of sexual abuse involving the suspected perpetrator.

115.371 (d): The agency shall not terminate an investigation solely because the source of the allegation recants the allegation.

115.371 (e): Any criminal investigations are conducted by local law enforcement and would be referred to appropriate jurisdiction for prosecution. Completed reports

shall be retained in the Office of the inspector general in accordance with the state retention schedule. Interviews with Facility Administrator and investigator confirmed that the present retention period is the agency retain all written reports referenced in 115.371 for as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or employed by the agency, plus five years.

- 115.371 (f): DYS Policy states the credibility of an alleged victim, suspect, or witness shall be assessed on an individual basis and not be determined by the person's status as a resident or staff. Additionally, no resident who alleges sexual abuse will be subjected to a polygraph examination or other truth telling device as a condition for proceeding with the investigation of the allegation.
- 115.371 (g): Administrative investigations shall include an effort to determine whether staff actions or failures to act contributed to the abuse; and shall be documented in written reports that include a description of the physical and testimonial evidence, the reasoning behind credibility assessments, and investigative facts and findings.
- 115.371 (h): Criminal investigations shall be documented in a written report that contains a thorough description of physical, testimonial, and documentary evidence and attaches copies of all documentary evidence where feasible.
- 115.371 (i): The DYS Policy provides that all criminal investigations are referred to Children's Division (CD) Investigative Section, Out of Home Investigations (OHI) investigators for youth under 18 years of age and to Legal Services Investigators for children 18 years of age or older. The OHI Division and Legal Services or local law enforcement are responsible for referring for prosecution based on the outcome of the investigation.
- 115.371 (j): The agency shall retain all written reports referenced in paragraphs (g) and (h) of this section for as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or employed by the agency, plus five years, unless the abuse was committed by a juvenile youth and applicable law requires a shorter period of retention.
- 115.371 (k): The departure of the alleged abuser or victim from the employment or control of the facility or agency shall not provide a basis for terminating an investigation. DYS Policy and staff interviews supports that the departure of the alleged abuser or victim from employment shall not provide a basis for terminating an investigation, which was also supported by interviews. The one investigation was from a youth that made an allegation that when he was previously at the center a staff member that is no longer working at the center had touched him inappropriately.
- 115.371 (I): The agency or facility is not required to audit this provision.
- 115.371 (m): When outside agencies investigate sexual abuse, the facility shall cooperate with outside investigators and shall endeavor to remain informed about the progress of the investigation. As part of the responsive planning staff are trained on protecting the crimes scene and cooperating with investigative units.

The center had one PREA allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment in the last 12 months. The one allegation was investigated by Out of Home Investigator and determined to be unsubstantiated.

Compliance was determined by interviews with Out of Home Investigator, Legal Services investigator, DYS investigator, PREA coordinator, Agency Head, Agency website and Facility Manager. Compliance was also determined by reviewing the investigative file.

115.372	Evidentiary standard for administrative investigations				
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard				
	Auditor Discussion				
	The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.				
	DYS Policy 9.18 - Investigations				
	Child Welfare Manual				
	Investigator Interviews				
	Based on interviews with three agency investigator each indicated they make a finding of Substantiated, Not Substantiated, Unfounded, or Pending Further Investigation. The finding will be made using the standard of proof of the preponderance of the evidence (51 % of the evidence).				
	The Investigator must objectively review all of the evidence which is in favor of or contrary to the finding. The investigator must objectively consider and balance the evidence in favor of or contrary to the finding; and in order to support a finding of child abuse or neglect by a Preponderance of Evidence. Investigator must be convinced that the evidence in favor of the finding outweighs the evidence against the finding, or is convinced that the evidence, when taken as a whole, shows that it				
	is more probable than not that the alleged incident took place in this case. Compliance of the standard was determined by reviewing the Policy, investigative				

report, and interview with the agency PREA coordinator and investigator from Out of

Home Investigator, Division of Legal Services, and DYS investigators.

115.373 Reporting to residents Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion** The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard. DYS Policy 9.18 -Child Welfare Manual **Investigator Interviews** Notifications to Youths 115.373 (a): At the conclusion of an investigation, PREA Compliance Manager, or staff member designated by the facility administrator will inform the victim of the allegation in writing, whether the allegation has been substantiated, unsubstantiated, unfounded. 115.373 (b): DYS Policy 9.18 Investigating PREA Allegations requires that if the facility did not conduct the investigation, it will request the relevant information from the investigating agency in order to inform the individual. 115.373 (c): Following a youth's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the youth, the agency shall subsequently inform the youth (unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded) whenever: (1) The staff member is no longer posted within the youth's unit; (2) The staff member is no longer employed at the facility; (3) The agency learns that the staff member has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility; or (4) The agency learns that the staff member has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility. 115.373 (d): Following a youth's allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another youth, the agency shall subsequently inform the alleged victim whenever: (1) The agency learns that the alleged abuser has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility; or (2) The agency learns that the alleged abuser has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility.

115.373 (e): Policy requires all such notifications or attempted notifications shall be documented. The PREA Coordinator has developed a form that for notification to youths of the outcome of investigations that includes a signature from the youth. During the last 12 months there was one youth that was notified of the outcome of an investigation that was completed by the facility. He received notice from the Out of Home Investigator and then from DYS staff.

Based on review of policy, notification to youth and interviews with PREA compliance manager and PREA coordinator it was determined that the agency is in compliance with this standard.

115.376 **Disciplinary sanctions for staff** Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion** The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard. DYS Policy 9.18 PREA - Disciplinary sanctions for Staff DSS Policy 2-124 Discipline (Employment Practices) DSS Policy 2-101 Sexual Harassment/Inappropriate Conduct Statement of Fact 115.376 (a): Staff is subjected to disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies. 115.376 (b): DYS policy and procedures reviewed revealed that termination is the presumptive sanction for staff who has engaged in sexual abuse. Additionally, staff may not escape sanctions by resigning. There has been no employee disciplined and/or terminated in the past 12 months for violation of the facility's sexual abuse

or harassment policies. The Facility Manager interview validated his technical knowledge of the reporting process was consistent with DYS policy and procedures.

115.376 (c): DYS Policy 9.18; DSS Policy 2-101 Sexual Harassment/Inappropriate Conduct and DSS Policy 2-124 disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination for violating the facility's sexual abuse or harassment policies. The facility manager stated that disciplinary sanctions for violations of DYS policies relating to sexual abuse or sexual harassment (other than engaging in sexual abuse) shall be commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the acts committed, the staff member's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other staff with similar histories.

115.376 (d): All staff members who are terminated and or resign in lieu of termination due to violations of the sexual abuse and sexual harassment policy shall be reported to law enforcement. Staff who resign because they would have been terminated, are reported to the local law enforcement unless the activities were not clearly criminal.

There has no adverse action taken against staff for violation of agency policy 9.18 PREA or related policies.

Compliance was determined by review of the agency policy, interview with PREA coordinator and facility administrator.

115.377 Corrective action for contractors and volunteers

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA - Disciplinary sanctions for Contractors or Volunteers

Contractor Training Curriculum

Contractor Acknowledgement for Training

Statement of Fact

115.377 (a) DYS Policy 9.18 PREA requires that volunteers and contractors in violation of the facility's policies and procedures regarding sexual abuse and harassment of residents will be reported to CD-OHI or DLS (depending on the age of the resident), Central Office and local law enforcement unless the activity was clearly not criminal and to relevant licensing bodies. The Facility manager stated that Contractors who engage in inappropriate contact with any youth, including sexual assault or harassment, will be subject to a termination of their contract and a report made to the appropriate licensing authorities.

115.377 (b) The documentation and interviews with the PREA coordinator, assistant facility administrator revealed the provision of information to volunteers and contractors that sexual misconduct with a youth is strictly prohibited. In the case of any other violation of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies by a contractor or volunteer, the facility will take appropriate remedial measures, and consider whether to prohibit further contact with youths, however, would most likely prohibit them from further contact with youths.

There have been no allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involving contracting and volunteers during the last 12 months.

Compliance was determined by training curriculum, contractor and volunteer applications and interviews with the PREA compliance manager and Facility Manager.

115.378 Interventions and disciplinary sanctions for residents

Auditor Overall Determination: Exceeds Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA -

DSS Policy 9.8 Separation

DSS Policy 6.1

Statement of Fact

PAQ

DYS does not issue discipline sanctions and does not have a formal disciplinary process. The "Missouri Model" is developed to correct inappropriate actions and support positive behavior with youth. Youth that violate a criminal act will be subject to appropriate legal action to include prosecution. The agency does conduct investigation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment and on investigations there were determined founded would be utilized in determining inappropriate actions or sanctions.

115.378 (a): Policy 9.18, Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA), states that, "Youth found to have sexually harmed others shall be offered therapy counseling or other interventions designed to address and correct the underlining reasons for their conduct.". As reported in the PAQ, there were no reported residents subject to disciplinary sanctions following an administrative finding that the resident engaged in resident-on-resident sexual abuse, following a criminal finding of guilt for resident-on-resident sexual abuse.

115.378 (b): Sanctions shall be commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the abuse committed, the youth's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other youths with similar histories. In the extreme case of a resident being separated from other resident the facility manager indicated through interview that the center shall not deny the resident exercise or access to any legally required educational programming or special education services. The residents may be provided daily visits by mental health and medical personnel and may have access to other programs and work opportunities to the extent possible, in accordance with policy.

115.378 (c): The process shall consider whether a youth's mental disabilities or mental illness contributed to his or her behavior when determining what type of sanction, if any, should be imposed.

115.378 (d): The facility is a treatment residential center and offer therapy,

counseling, or other interventions designed to address and correct underlying reasons or motivations for the abuse. The agency may require participation in such interventions as a condition of access to any rewards-based behavior management system or other behavior-based incentives, but not as a condition to access to general programming or education.

115.378 (e): The agency may sanction a youth for sexual contact with staff only upon a finding that the staff member did not consent to such contact.

115.378 (f): For the purpose of sanctions, a report of sexual abuse made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief that the alleged conduct occurred shall not constitute falsely reporting an incident or lying, even if an investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation. Investigating PREA Allegations states a report of sexual abuse made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief that the alleged conduct occurred shall not constitute falsely reporting an incident or lying, even if an investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation.

115.378 (g): MVTC prohibits all sexual activity between youths and may discipline youths for such activity. An agency may not, however, deem such activity to constitute sexual abuse if it determines that the activity is not coerced.

Youths interviewed indicated they were advised that they would be sanctioned for any sexual abuse, sexual harassment or sexual misconduct. Most indicated that they are reminded of their duties to hold each other responsible to maintain a safe environment for all youths.

The statement of fact indicated during this audit period this facility has not had any incidents that require intervention for youths having sexual conduct. The management of youth in DYS facilities include group Leaders, advocates and team members that meet daily with the youth.

Based on the review of the agency policy, observations and information obtained through the staff interview and review of documentation, the facility has demonstrated exceed compliance with this standard.

115.381 Medical and mental health screenings; history of sexual abuse Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion** The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard. DYS Policy 9.18 PREA- MH and Medical Screening DYS Policy 9.18 PREA -DYS Policy 7.2 Standards DYS Policy 6.1 DSS Policy 9.5 Resident Care DSS Policy 7.6 Emergency Medical Care and First Aid Response DSS Policy 7.4 Access to Health Care Services DSS Policy 7.3 (MEDICAL AND HEALTH CARE) Special Needs DYS Administrative Policy 6.7 Administrative Case Review. Facility Health Screening Statement of Fact **PAQ** 115.381 (a) DYS Policy 9.18 PREA Section III (I)1a states that if the screening for abusiveness and victimization indicates that a youth has experienced prior victimization, whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, the intake staff shall offer the youth a follow-up meeting with a Mental Health provider. Upon admission, and no more than 12 hours from admission, the Medical/Mental Health Screening will be conducted one-on-one with the juvenile and a staff member. This screening will be done by the staff member in such a way as to ensure the privacy of the juvenile. In compliance with PREA standards, if a juvenile reports any history of sexual abuse/assault on the Medical/Mental Health Screening that information will be provided to the Children's Division, Out of Home Investigations (OHI). 115.381 (b) If any of the intake screening forms indicates a youth has previously perpetrated sexual abuse, whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, staff ensure that the youth is offered a follow-up meeting with a mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening. This same information is discussed with the clinical staff within 72 hours of intake. However, the screening

staff document and forward a follow up notification form. DYS Policy 9.5 Resident Care requires that when an allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment occurs

the facility will complete a rescreening on the victim and accused perpetrator. The facility refers all youths that have history of victimization or have concerns about victimization to Victim Advocacy Center or Victim Services for emotional support. Staff at the center verified that the center reaches out to allow youths to speak with their therapist.

115.381 (c): Any information related to sexual victimization or abuse that occurred in an institutional setting shall be strictly limited to medical and mental health practitioners and other staff, as necessary, to develop treatment plans and security and management decisions, including housing, bedding, education, and bedding, education, and program assignments, or as otherwise required by Federal, State, or Local law.

115.381 (d): Medical and mental health staff is required to notify youths at the initiation of services their duty to report, limitations of confidentiality, and must obtain informed consent from youth who are 18 years old or older before reporting information about the youth's prior sexual victimization that did not occur in an institutional setting. Youths who report prior sexual victimization or disclose prior incidents of perpetrating sexual abuse, either in an institution or in the community, are required to be offered a follow-up with a medical or mental health practitioner within 14 days of admission/screening.

The interviewed staff responsible for risk screening stated that if a screening indicates that a resident has experienced prior sexual victimization whether in an institutional setting or in the community; follow up medical or mental health services would be offered. Nursing assessments are completed upon arrival at the facility.

Compliance was determined by review of the agency policy, PVIR forms and interviews with medical and mental health staff.

115.382 Access to emergency medical and mental health services

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

Youth medical treatment forms

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA - Access to Emergency Medical and Mental Health Services

Memo-CIR form and CI Review Form- Documenting Timely Access to Emergency Medical Services,

Nursing Note and Youth Medical Visit form

PREA Advocacy Interview

Mental Substance Abuse Sample

Health Education Records

115.382 (a): PREA Response Plan Following Youth Report mandate youth victims of sexual abuse receive timely and unimpeded access to onsite and offsite emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services, the nature and scope as determined by the judgement of medical and mental health professionals. Medical and mental health staff interviews confirmed emergency medical care and crisis intervention services will be provided by medical and mental health staff as required. Observations revealed medical and mental health staff members maintain secondary materials that document services to youths and these staff are knowledgeable of what must occur in an incident of sexual abuse. It is documented through policies and understood by the medical and mental health staff that treatment services will be provided at no cost to the victim, whether or not the victim cooperates with the investigation. Youths are provided access to an outside victim advocacy agency for services through Child Advocacy Center which includes but is not limited to emotional support and accompaniment through the forensic examination and investigative interviews. The Child Advocacy Center has a SANE staff on duty or on call. Review of medical files shows that medical and mental health staff members maintain secondary materials and documentation of youth encounters. There have been no allegations of sexual abuse during this audit period that include a SANE or SAFE. The facility houses male youths. The facility PREA response plan requires evaluation and treatment shall include, as appropriate, follow-up services, treatment plans, and when necessary, referrals for continued care following their transfer to, or placement in, other facilities, or their release from custody. Medical and mental health services shall be provided to the victims consistent with the community level of care. Youth victims of sexual abuse shall be offered tests for sexually transmitted infections as medically appropriate. Treatment services shall be provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of the

victim's names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation of the incident.

The interviewed mental health and medical staff reported that victims of sexual abuse receive timely and unimpeded access to emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services. Such services are rendered immediately upon notification. Medical and mental health staff interviewed during the site review were able to clearly state their responsibilities in responding to a reported incident of sexual abuse.

115.382 (b): Direct care staff interviewed, as staff who act as first responders, reported that the duties of a first responder include, but are not limited to: take immediate action, stay with the resident, separate the victim from the perpetrator, isolate/secure the scene and secure evidence, call for additional staff, and notify supervisor. If no qualified medical or mental health practitioners are on duty at the time a report of recent abuse is made, staff first responders shall take preliminary steps to protect the victim pursuant to § 115.362 and shall immediately notify the appropriate medical and mental health practitioners. The interviews with clinical staff revealed youths have unimpeded access to emergency services. The coordinated response plan flow chart provides guidance to staff in protecting youths and for contacting the appropriate staff regarding allegations or incidents of sexual abuse, including contacting medical and mental health staff. The on-call medical list has the names of medical staff and their emergency contact numbers. The full-time nurse is generally on-call 24/7 as determined by the interview. Interviews with Child Advocacy Center indicated there is an on call SAFE staff available 24/7 for forensic examinations. There is also a Victim Advocate on call 24/7 to support a youth that has been sexually assaulted.

115.382 (c): Youth victims of sexual abuse while incarcerated shall be offered timely information about and timely access to emergency contraception and sexually transmitted infections prophylaxis, in accordance with professionally accepted standards of care, where medically appropriate. All youths are provided access to infection prophylaxis when they arrive at the facility. The PAQ and interviews confirmed processes and services are in place for a victim to receive timely access to sexually transmitted infection prophylaxis, where medically appropriate. Additionally, follow-up services as needed will be provided by the facility's medical and mental health staff, according to the interviews with clinical staff.

The Policy requires that any information related to sexual victimization or abusiveness that occurred in an institutional setting shall be strictly limited to medical and mental health practitioners and other staff, as necessary, to inform treatment plans and security and management decisions, including housing, bed, work, education, and program assignments, or as otherwise required by Federal, State, or local law. The Auditor observed the resident files maintained in a secure manner. The files are secured in a locked cabinet behind a locked door, when the office is unoccupied. The Supervisor indicated that there is a list of individuals that have access to them.

115.382 (d): PREA Response Plan Following Youth Report mandates that treatment

services shall be provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident. This was also confirmed through staff interviews. Policy revealed emergency services will be provided by medical and mental health staff. The medical and mental health staff interviews revealed they are knowledgeable of actions to take regarding an incident of sexual abuse. It is documented through policy and understood by the medical and mental health staff that treatment services will be provided at no cost to the victim.

Based upon the review of policies, interviews with the medical and mental health staff and interviews with staff from the Child Advocacy Center and The Victim Services Center is compliant with this standard.

115.383

Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

Statement of Fact

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA - Ongoing Medical and Mental Health Services

Policy 6.1, Facility Programmatic Rights of Resident and the Grievance Processes

Advocacy Agreement

DSS Policy 9.5 Resident Care

DSS Policy 7.4 Access to Health Care Services

DYS Administrative Policy 6.7 Administrative Case Review

PREA Advocacy Interview

115.383 (a DYS Policy requires that a medical and mental health evaluation and treatment be offered to resident victims of sexual abuse. According to the interviews, medical and mental health staff members are aware of the Policy mandates. A review of DYS Policy 7.4 Access to Medical and interviews, support medical and mental health evaluations and treatment will be offered to all residents who have been victimized by sexual abuse. Interviews with the clinical staff and observations confirmed on-going medical and mental health care will be provided as appropriate, including assessments and therapy. The clinical director indicated that all youths that go through intake at the facility are seen by mental health within 72 hours. The Child Advocacy Center provides ongoing mental health counseling services for youths assigned from their geographic location and makes referrals to Missouri Coalition against sexual victimization.

115.383 (b): Facility PREA Response Plan Following Youth Report includes a provision that the evaluation and treatment of such victims shall include, as appropriate, follow-up services, treatment plans, and, when necessary, referrals for continued care following their transfer to, or placement in, other facilities, or their release from custody. Interviews with the clinical staff and observations confirmed on-going medical and mental health care will be provided as appropriate and will include but not limited to additional testing and medical services; medication management, if prescribed; individual counseling; trauma group; and referrals as needed. Youths that are housed at MVTC have a follow up plan which includes mental health counseling as needed. The plan also includes the family in supporting the youth. The Child Advocacy Center would provide youth with support programs when

released from the center or provide information and arrange for a transfer for emotional support to a certified victim advocacy program within the Missouri Coalition against Domestic and Sexual Violence in other areas of Missouri.

115.383 (c): Based on interviews with the medical and mental health staff the facility shall provide victims with medical and mental health services consistent with the community level of care.

115.383 (d-e): The facility is a male only program.

115.383 (f) The policy and interviews ensure that victims of sexual abuse will be provided tests for sexually transmitted infections as medically appropriate.

115.383 (g) All treatment services will be provided at no cost to the victim, according to policy and staff interviews.

115.383 (h) Policy provides for attempts to be made for a mental health practitioner to conduct a mental health evaluation within 60 days on all known youth-on youth abusers and offer appropriate treatment by mental health staff. Services will includes but not be limited to individual, group and family counseling.

Any youth that make an allegation of past victimization are allowed to call the Child Advocacy Center program and staff from the program will go to the facility and meet with the youth and offer their services when released from the center.

Based on a review of the PREA policies, and interviews with the Child Advocacy Center, mental health director, medical staff, PREA coordinator and Facility Administrator the facility is in compliance with this standard.

115.386 Sexual abuse incident reviews

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.

DYS Policy 9.18 PREA - Incident Reviews

DYS Policy 9.17 Critical Incident Review

Incident Review Meeting report

15.386 (a): Facility PREA Response Plan Following Youth Report require an incident review team meeting within 30 days of the conclusion of each investigation unless the finding is unfounded. The policy mandates review team participation to include the agency wide PREA Coordinator, the facility's PREA Compliance Manager, facility administrator, medical and mental health staff. There was one allegations of sexual abuse during the last 12 months that have been resolved and required an IRT meeting. The interview with the PREA Compliance Manager and a review of the form used to document the incident review team's findings indicate the team: consider whether the allegation or investigation indicates a need to change policy or practice to better prevent, detect, or respond to sexual abuse considers whether the incident or allegation was motivated by race; ethnicity; gender identity; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex identification, status, or perceived status; gang affiliation; or other group dynamics at the facility; examine the area in the facility where the incident allegedly occurred to assess whether physical barriers in the area may enable abuse; assess the adequacy of staffing levels in that area during different shifts; assess whether monitoring technology should be deployed or augmented to supplement supervision by staff.

115.386 (b): There is a Critical Incident Review Form that would be completed within 30 days of the outcome of an administrative or criminal investigation. The Policy requires that the reviews occur within 30 days of the conclusion of the investigation. Although there has not been an allegation of sexual abuse, the Facility Manager confirmed incident reviews would occur within 30 days of the conclusion of an investigation in accordance with facility Policy and the standard.

115.386 (c): Policy 9.17, Critical Incidents states that, "The review team shall include appropriate management staff. For incidents involving sexual assaults or misconduct the review team will include the supervising Deputy Director, RA, ARA, Facility Manager(s) and Resident Group Leader(s), with input from investigators, and medical or mental health providers.

115.386 (d): The committee reviewed the following: 1) Consider whether the allegation or investigation indicates a need to change policy or practice to better prevent, detect, or respond to sexual abuse. (2) Consider whether the incident or allegation was motivated by race; ethnicity; gender identity; lesbian, gay, bisexual,

transgender, or intersex identification, status, or perceived status; or, gang affiliation; or was motivated or otherwise caused by other group dynamics at the facility; (3) Examine the area in the facility where the incident allegedly occurred to assess whether physical barriers in the area may enable abuse; (4) Assess the adequacy of staffing levels in that area during different shifts; (5) Assess whether monitoring technology should be deployed or augmented to supplement supervision by staff; and (6) Prepare a report of its findings, including but not necessarily limited to determinations made pursuant to paragraphs (d)(1)-(d)(5) of this section, and any recommendations for improvement and submit such report to the facility head and PREA Compliance Manager.

115.386 (e): DYS Policy 9.17 Critical Incidents Section states the administration shall implement the recommendations for improvement or shall document its reasons for not doing so. The Facility Manager is familiar with this Policy requirement and the DYS Incident Review form would be used for documenting the incident review team meeting and it allows for documentation of the considerations of the standard. Additionally, the form provides recommendations for improvement by the team members. There was one allegations of sexual abuse in the past 12 months. The interview with the Incident Review Team Member confirmed the facility prepared a report of its findings and any recommendations for improvement when conducting a sexual abuse incident review. He confirmed the team would consider all factors required by the standard.

The incident review report was reviewed and found to be thorough and included all aspects of this standard.

Compliance was determined by review of an incident review report and interviews with Incident Review Team members.

115.387 **Data collection** Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion** The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard. DYS Policy 9.18 PREA - Data Collection FOP 3.09 PREA - Data Collection PREA FY 2017-18 Annual Report Final PREA FY 2018-19 Annual Report PREA FY 2019-20 Annual Report PREA FY 2021-22 Annual Report 115.387 (a): A review of reports confirms that DYS collects incident-based, uniform data regarding allegations of sexual abuse at facilities under its direct control, including contractors, using a standardized instrument and specific guidelines. The format used for DYS facilities capture the information required to complete the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence conducted by the U. S. Department of Justice (DOJ). DYS maintains and collects various types of identified data and related documents regarding sexual abuse incidents. The facility collects and maintains data in accordance with directives by DYS. The Policy requires the use of a standardized instrument with definitions to collect accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse. The agency collects accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse at facilities under its direct control using a standardized instrument and set of definitions. DYS aggregates sexual abuse data which culminates into an annual report. The agency provides DOJ with data as requested. 115.387 (b): The facility collects and maintains data in accordance with directives by DYS. A standardized instrument and specific guidelines and definitions are used to assist in identifying the data. 115.387 (c): The format used for DYS facilities capture the information required to complete the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence conducted by U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ). Policy 9.18, Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) states that, "Data collection, review for corrective action, storage, publication, and destruction: a. DYS shall collect and aggregate incident-based sexual abuse data from DYS and contractual residential facilities at least annually. b. DYS shall review data collected to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training to include

identifying problem areas and taking corrective action as necessary. c. DYS will

prepare an annual report of its findings and corrective actions for each facility, as well as DYS PREA implementation program as an agency.

- 115.387 (d): Policy 9.18 states that: DYS will prepare an annual report of its findings and corrective actions for each facility, as well as DYS as a whole.
- 1. Such report shall include a comparison of the current year's data and corrective actions with those from prior years and shall provide an assessment of the DYS's progress in addressing sexual abuse.
- 2. DYS's report shall be approved by the director and made readily available to the public through its website or, if it does not have one, through other means.
- 3. DYS may redact specific material from the reports when publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of a facility but must indicate the nature of the material redacted.
- 115.387 (e): The format used for DYS facilities and contractors capture the information required to complete the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence conducted by the U. S. Department of Justice (DOJ). Private facilities are required to follow the same PREA policies and procedures and report the information on the same basics as State operated facilities.
- 115.387 (f): DYS policy mandates that upon request, DYS shall provide all such data from the previous calendar year to the Department of Justice no later than June 30. A request was not made for the previous calendar year.

Compliance was determined by reviewing data collections for the preceding three years, review of DYS Policies and interview with the PREA coordinator, facility administrator and DYS agency head.

115.388 **Data review for corrective action Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard Auditor Discussion** The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard. DYS 2021 Annual PREA Report DYS Policy 9.18 PREA - Data Collection PREA - Data Collection PREA FY 2017-18 Annual Report PREA FY 2018-19 Annual Report PREA FY 2019-20 Annual Report PREA FY 2021-22 Annual Report DYS Annual Report-Findings and Corrective Action 2021 115.388 (a): DYS Policy 9.18 recognizes the purpose of conducting annual reports and annual PREA assessments are to review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.387 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Identifying problem areas to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by taking corrective action on an ongoing basis. Further to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by preparing an annual report of its findings and corrective actions for each facility, as well as the agency as a whole. 115.388 (b): A review of the annual reports for the last 3 years included a comparison of the current year's data and corrective actions with those from prior years and provided an assessment of the agency's progress in addressing sexual abuse. The auditor reviewed the annual report comparison for 2020, 2021 and 2022. 115.388 (c): The annual report is reviewed by the PREA coordinator, her supervisor and agency administrative staff and signed by the Agency Head. Compliance was determined by the PREA policy and website review. 115.388 (d): DYS Policy 9.18 indicates that all information that is placed on the website will not include personal identifiers. The annual report has been reviewed and the report is accessible to the public through the facility's website. There are no

Compliance was determined by reviewing data collections for the preceding three

personal identifiers in the annual report.

years and review of DYS website.

115.389	Data storage, publication, and destruction
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard.
	DYS Policy 9.18 PREA
	Retention Schedule
	Records and Information Management Procedures
	115.389 (a)(b)(c): DYS procedure- Records and Information Management Procedures requires that data be collected and securely retained for 10 years. The aggregated sexual abuse data was reviewed, and all personal identifiers are removed. The website included State and privately operated facilities.
	Compliance was determined by review of the website and interview with the agency PREA coordinator.

115.401 Frequency and scope of audits Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion** The following policies, directives, memorandum and agency or facility supplements were reviewed for compliance with this standard. DYS Policy 9.18 PREA - Data Collection PREA Audit July 2014 PREA Audit June 2017 PREA Audit August 2020 115.401 (a): DYS Policy 9.18 PREA requires all DYS facilities be audited every three years for compliance with the Prison Rape Elimination Act The initial PREA audit of Mount Vernon Treatment Center was conducted in July 2014 by a DOJ certified PREA auditor. The second audit was conducted in June 2017 by a DOJ Certified auditor. The third audit of this facility was conducted in August 2020 by a certified PREA auditor. 115.401 (b): According to PREA Coordinator and the annual PREA report, during the three-year period beginning on August 20, 2013, DYS ensured that each of its facilities were audited at least once and continues to ensure that its facilities are audited every three years. During the last cycle many audits were scheduled, rescheduled, and postponed due to the pandemic. However, each facility was audited during the last 3-year cycle. This is the first year of this cycle. 115.401 (h): Upon completion of the entrance conference, a comprehensive site review of the facility was conducted and led by the Facility manager. The tour included all areas of the facility. The facility was clean, in good repair, and well maintained. All areas were viewed, including the administration area, medical area, intake area, kitchen, dining room/visitation area, leisure/recreation areas, and the living unit area. PREA-related informational posters and the PREA audit notice were observed posted throughout the facility. 115.401 (i): I requested personnel files, resident files, training records, investigation files, logbooks, and pertinent forms utilized to carry out the requirement of the audit process. Each document was provided in a timely basis. A comprehensive site review was provided to the Auditor during the site visit and additional documentation was reviewed during the site visit. The staff members were cooperative in providing additional documentation as requested. 115.401 (m): I interviewed random staff on duty for the for the first 24 hours of the audit and random sample of residents during the onsite audit. Interviews were

conducted in a private area of the facility.

115.401 (n): Posting were displayed throughout the facility with the name and address of the PREA auditor. The auditor did not receive any correspondence from residents. The information was posted on January 19, 2023. The auditor interviewed the PREA Compliance Manager and asked if residents were allowed to send mail to auditor in the same manner as legal mail system. He indicated they were and provided how you stamps legal mail that it has not been opened or censured and mailed same date as it is removed from the mailboxes located throughout the facility. The PREA

Compliance manager indicated that she or the Facility Administrator check the mailbox, PREA Box and Grievance Box a minimum of two times a day during the week and at least once a day on weekends.

Compliance was determined by review of three past audits, email providing dates of audit postings and interviews with Facility Administrator, PREA Coordinator and Agency Head designee.

115.403	Audit contents and findings
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	This is the fourth PREA audit for this facility. All audits were located on the agency website and were reviewed by the auditor. The initial PREA audit of Mount Vernon Treatment Center was conducted in June 2014 by a DOJ certified PREA auditor. The second audit was conducted July 2017 by a DOJ Certified auditor. The third audit of this facility was conducted in August 2020 by a certified PREA auditor. All audits were located on the DYS website at https://dss.mo.gov/reports/prison-rape-elimination-act-reports/prea-audit-full-compliance-reports/ or by google search for Missouri DYS Final Audit Full Compliance Reports.

Appendix:	Appendix: Provision Findings		
115.311 (a)	Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator		
	Does the agency have a written policy mandating zero tolerance toward all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes	
	Does the written policy outline the agency's approach to preventing, detecting, and responding to sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes	
115.311 (b)	Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator		
	Has the agency employed or designated an agency-wide PREA Coordinator?	yes	
	Is the PREA Coordinator position in the upper-level of the agency hierarchy?	yes	
	Does the PREA Coordinator have sufficient time and authority to develop, implement, and oversee agency efforts to comply with the PREA standards in all of its facilities?	yes	
115.311 (c)	Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment coordinator	nt; PREA	
	If this agency operates more than one facility, has each facility designated a PREA compliance manager? (N/A if agency operates only one facility.)	yes	
	Does the PREA compliance manager have sufficient time and authority to coordinate the facility's efforts to comply with the PREA standards? (N/A if agency operates only one facility.)	yes	
115.312 (a)	Contracting with other entities for the confinement of	f residents	
	If this agency is public and it contracts for the confinement of its residents with private agencies or other entities including other government agencies, has the agency included the entity's obligation to adopt and comply with the PREA standards in any new contract or contract renewal signed on or after August 20, 2012? (N/A if the agency does not contract with private agencies or other entities for the confinement of residents.)	yes	

115.312 (b)	Contracting with other entities for the confinement of residents		
	Does any new contract or contract renewal signed on or after August 20, 2012 provide for agency contract monitoring to ensure that the contractor is complying with the PREA standards? (N/A if the agency does not contract with private agencies or other entities for the confinement of residents OR the response to 115.312(a)-1 is "NO".)	yes	

115.313 (a)	Supervision and monitoring	
	Does the agency ensure that each facility has developed a staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing and, where applicable, video monitoring, to protect residents against sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that each facility has implemented a staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing and, where applicable, video monitoring, to protect residents against sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that each facility has documented a staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing and, where applicable, video monitoring, to protect residents against sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration the 11 criteria below in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring: The prevalence of substantiated and unsubstantiated incidents of sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration the 11 criteria below in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring: Generally accepted juvenile detention and correctional/secure residential practices?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration the 11 criteria below in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring: Any judicial findings of inadequacy?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration the 11 criteria below in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring: Any findings of inadequacy from Federal investigative agencies?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration the 11 criteria below in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring: Any findings of inadequacy from internal or external oversight bodies?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration the 11 criteria below in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring: All components of the facility's physical plant (including "blind-spots"	yes

	or areas where staff or residents may be isolated)?	
	Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration the 11 criteria below in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring: The composition of the resident population?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration the 11 criteria below in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring: The number and placement of supervisory staff?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration the 11 criteria below in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring: Institution programs occurring on a particular shift?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration the 11 criteria below in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring: Any applicable State or local laws, regulations, or standards?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration the 11 criteria below in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring: Any other relevant factors?	yes
115.313 (b)	Supervision and monitoring	
	Does the agency comply with the staffing plan except during limited and discrete exigent circumstances?	yes
	In circumstances where the staffing plan is not complied with, does the facility fully document all deviations from the plan? (N/A if no deviations from staffing plan.)	na
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115.313 (c)	Supervision and monitoring	
	Does the facility maintain staff ratios of a minimum of 1:8 during resident waking hours, except during limited and discrete exigent circumstances? (N/A only until October 1, 2017.)	yes
	Does the facility maintain staff ratios of a minimum of 1:16 during resident sleeping hours, except during limited and discrete exigent circumstances? (N/A only until October 1, 2017.)	yes
	Does the facility fully document any limited and discrete exigent circumstances during which the facility did not maintain staff ratios? (N/A only until October 1, 2017.)	yes
	Does the facility ensure only security staff are included when calculating these ratios? (N/A only until October 1, 2017.)	yes
	Is the facility obligated by law, regulation, or judicial consent decree to maintain the staffing ratios set forth in this paragraph?	yes
115.313 (d)	Supervision and monitoring	
	In the past 12 months, has the facility, in consultation with the agency PREA Coordinator, assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to: The staffing plan established pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section?	yes
	In the past 12 months, has the facility, in consultation with the agency PREA Coordinator, assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to: Prevailing staffing patterns?	yes
	In the past 12 months, has the facility, in consultation with the agency PREA Coordinator, assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to: The facility's deployment of video monitoring systems and other monitoring technologies?	yes
	In the past 12 months, has the facility, in consultation with the agency PREA Coordinator, assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to: The resources the facility has available to commit to ensure adherence to the staffing plan?	yes

115.313 (e)	Supervision and monitoring	
	Has the facility implemented a policy and practice of having intermediate-level or higher-level supervisors conduct and document unannounced rounds to identify and deter staff sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A for non-secure facilities)	yes
	Is this policy and practice implemented for night shifts as well as day shifts? (N/A for non-secure facilities)	yes
	Does the facility have a policy prohibiting staff from alerting other staff members that these supervisory rounds are occurring, unless such announcement is related to the legitimate operational functions of the facility? (N/A for non-secure facilities)	yes
115.315 (a)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility always refrain from conducting any cross-gender strip or cross-gender visual body cavity searches, except in exigent circumstances or by medical practitioners?	yes
115.315 (b)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility always refrain from conducting cross-gender pat- down searches in non-exigent circumstances?	yes
115.315 (c)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility document and justify all cross-gender strip searches and cross-gender visual body cavity searches?	yes
	Does the facility document all cross-gender pat-down searches?	yes

115.315 (d)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility implement policies and procedures that enable residents to shower, perform bodily functions, and change clothing without nonmedical staff of the opposite gender viewing their breasts, buttocks, or genitalia, except in exigent circumstances or when such viewing is incidental to routine cell checks?	yes
	Does the facility require staff of the opposite gender to announce their presence when entering a resident housing unit?	yes
	In facilities (such as group homes) that do not contain discrete housing units, does the facility require staff of the opposite gender to announce their presence when entering an area where residents are likely to be showering, performing bodily functions, or changing clothing? (N/A for facilities with discrete housing units)	yes
115.315 (e)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility always refrain from searching or physically examining transgender or intersex residents for the sole purpose of determining the resident's genital status?	yes
	If a resident's genital status is unknown, does the facility determine genital status during conversations with the resident, by reviewing medical records, or, if necessary, by learning that information as part of a broader medical examination conducted in private by a medical practitioner?	yes
115.315 (f)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility/agency train security staff in how to conduct cross-gender pat down searches in a professional and respectful manner, and in the least intrusive manner possible, consistent with security needs?	yes
	Does the facility/agency train security staff in how to conduct searches of transgender and intersex residents in a professional and respectful manner, and in the least intrusive manner possible, consistent with security needs?	yes

115.316 (a)	Residents with disabilities and residents who are limited English proficient	
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who are deaf or hard of hearing?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who are blind or have low vision?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who have intellectual disabilities?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who have psychiatric disabilities?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who have speech disabilities?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Other? (if "other," please explain in overall determination notes.)	yes
	Do such steps include, when necessary, ensuring effective communication with residents who are deaf or hard of hearing?	yes
	Do such steps include, when necessary, providing access to interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication	yes

	with residents with disabilities including residents who: Have intellectual disabilities?	
	Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with residents with disabilities including residents who: Have limited reading skills?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with residents with disabilities including residents who: Who are blind or have low vision?	yes
115.316 (b)	Residents with disabilities and residents who are limited the implication of the implicat	ited
	Does the agency take reasonable steps to ensure meaningful access to all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment to residents who are limited English proficient?	yes
	Do these steps include providing interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary?	yes
115.316 (c)	Residents with disabilities and residents who are limiting the English proficient	ited
	Does the agency always refrain from relying on resident interpreters, resident readers, or other types of resident assistants except in limited circumstances where an extended delay in obtaining an effective interpreter could compromise the resident's safety, the performance of first-response duties under §115.364, or the investigation of the resident's allegations?	yes

115.317 (a)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with residents who: Has engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution (as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1997)?	yes
	Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with residents who: Has been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse?	yes
	Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with residents who: Has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in the bullet immediately above?	yes
	Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of services of any contractor who may have contact with residents who: Has engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution (as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1997)?	yes
	Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of services of any contractor who may have contact with residents who: Has been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse?	yes
	Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of services of any contractor who may have contact with residents who: Has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in the two bullets immediately above?	yes
115.317 (b)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency consider any incidents of sexual harassment in determining whether to hire or promote anyone, or to enlist the services of any contractor, who may have contact with residents?	yes

115.317 (c)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Before hiring new employees who may have contact with residents, does the agency: Perform a criminal background records check?	yes
	Before hiring new employees who may have contact with residents, does the agency: Consult any child abuse registry maintained by the State or locality in which the employee would work?	yes
	Before hiring new employees who may have contact with residents, does the agency: Consistent with Federal, State, and local law, make its best efforts to contact all prior institutional employers for information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or any resignation during a pending investigation of an allegation of sexual abuse?	yes
115.317 (d)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency perform a criminal background records check before enlisting the services of any contractor who may have contact with residents?	yes
	Does the agency consult applicable child abuse registries before enlisting the services of any contractor who may have contact with residents?	yes
115.317 (e)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency either conduct criminal background records checks at least every five years of current employees and contractors who may have contact with residents or have in place a system for otherwise capturing such information for current employees?	yes

115.317 (f)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency ask all applicants and employees who may have contact with residents directly about previous misconduct described in paragraph (a) of this section in written applications or interviews for hiring or promotions?	yes
	Does the agency ask all applicants and employees who may have contact with residents directly about previous misconduct described in paragraph (a) of this section in any interviews or written self-evaluations conducted as part of reviews of current employees?	yes
	Does the agency impose upon employees a continuing affirmative duty to disclose any such misconduct?	yes
115.317 (g)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency consider material omissions regarding such misconduct, or the provision of materially false information, grounds for termination?	yes
115.317 (h)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Unless prohibited by law, does the agency provide information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involving a former employee upon receiving a request from an institutional employer for whom such employee has applied to work? (N/A if providing information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involving a former employee is prohibited by law.)	yes
115.318 (a)	Upgrades to facilities and technologies	
	If the agency designed or acquired any new facility or planned any substantial expansion or modification of existing facilities, did the agency consider the effect of the design, acquisition, expansion, or modification upon the agency's ability to protect residents from sexual abuse? (N/A if agency/facility has not acquired a new facility or made a substantial expansion to existing facilities since August 20, 2012, or since the last PREA audit, whichever is later.)	na

115.318 (b)	Upgrades to facilities and technologies	
	If the agency installed or updated a video monitoring system, electronic surveillance system, or other monitoring technology, did the agency consider how such technology may enhance the agency's ability to protect residents from sexual abuse? (N/A if agency/facility has not installed or updated a video monitoring system, electronic surveillance system, or other monitoring technology since August 20, 2012, or since the last PREA audit, whichever is later.)	yes
115.321 (a)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	If the agency is responsible for investigating allegations of sexual abuse, does the agency follow a uniform evidence protocol that maximizes the potential for obtaining usable physical evidence for administrative proceedings and criminal prosecutions? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations.)	na
115.321 (b)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	Is this protocol developmentally appropriate for youth? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations.)	na
	Is this protocol, as appropriate, adapted from or otherwise based on the most recent edition of the U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women publication, "A National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations, Adults/ Adolescents," or similarly comprehensive and authoritative protocols developed after 2011? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations.)	na

115.321 (c)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	Does the agency offer all residents who experience sexual abuse access to forensic medical examinations, whether on-site or at an outside facility, without financial cost, where evidentiarily or medically appropriate?	yes
	Are such examinations performed by Sexual Assault Forensic Examiners (SAFEs) or Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs) where possible?	yes
	If SAFEs or SANEs cannot be made available, is the examination performed by other qualified medical practitioners (they must have been specifically trained to conduct sexual assault forensic exams)?	yes
	Has the agency documented its efforts to provide SAFEs or SANEs?	yes
115.321 (d)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	Does the agency attempt to make available to the victim a victim advocate from a rape crisis center?	yes
	If a rape crisis center is not available to provide victim advocate services, does the agency make available to provide these services a qualified staff member from a community-based organization, or a qualified agency staff member?	yes
	Has the agency documented its efforts to secure services from rape crisis centers?	yes
115.321 (e)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	As requested by the victim, does the victim advocate, qualified agency staff member, or qualified community-based organization staff member accompany and support the victim through the forensic medical examination process and investigatory interviews?	yes
	As requested by the victim, does this person provide emotional support, crisis intervention, information, and referrals?	yes

115.321 (f)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	If the agency itself is not responsible for investigating allegations of sexual abuse, has the agency requested that the investigating entity follow the requirements of paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section? (N/A if the agency is not responsible for investigating allegations of sexual abuse.)	na
115.321 (h)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	If the agency uses a qualified agency staff member or a qualified community-based staff member for the purposes of this section, has the individual been screened for appropriateness to serve in this role and received education concerning sexual assault and forensic examination issues in general? (Check N/A if agency attempts to make a victim advocate from a rape crisis center available to victims per 115.321(d) above.)	na
115.322 (a)	Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investigations	
	Does the agency ensure an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the agency ensure an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual harassment?	yes
115.322 (b)	Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investig	ations
	Does the agency have a policy in place to ensure that allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are referred for investigation to an agency with the legal authority to conduct criminal investigations, unless the allegation does not involve potentially criminal behavior?	yes
	Has the agency published such policy on its website or, if it does not have one, made the policy available through other means?	yes
	Does the agency document all such referrals?	yes

115.322 (c)	Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investigations	
	If a separate entity is responsible for conducting criminal investigations, does such publication describe the responsibilities of both the agency and the investigating entity? (N/A if the agency/facility is responsible for criminal investigations. See 115.321(a))	yes

115.331 (a)	Employee training	
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: Its zero-tolerance policy for sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: How to fulfill their responsibilities under agency sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, reporting, and response policies and procedures?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: Residents' right to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: The right of residents and employees to be free from retaliation for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: The dynamics of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in juvenile facilities?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: The common reactions of juvenile victims of sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: How to detect and respond to signs of threatened and actual sexual abuse and how to distinguish between consensual sexual contact and sexual abuse between residents?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: How to avoid inappropriate relationships with residents?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: How to communicate effectively and professionally with residents, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender nonconforming residents?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: How to comply with relevant laws related to mandatory reporting of sexual abuse to outside authorities?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: Relevant laws regarding the applicable age of consent?	yes

115.331 (b)	Employee training	
	Is such training tailored to the unique needs and attributes of residents of juvenile facilities?	yes
	Is such training tailored to the gender of the residents at the employee's facility?	yes
	Have employees received additional training if reassigned from a facility that houses only male residents to a facility that houses only female residents, or vice versa?	yes
115.331 (c)	Employee training	
	Have all current employees who may have contact with residents received such training?	yes
	Does the agency provide each employee with refresher training every two years to ensure that all employees know the agency's current sexual abuse and sexual harassment policies and procedures?	yes
	In years in which an employee does not receive refresher training, does the agency provide refresher information on current sexual abuse and sexual harassment policies?	yes
115.331 (d)	Employee training	
	Does the agency document, through employee signature or electronic verification, that employees understand the training they have received?	yes
115.332 (a)	Volunteer and contractor training	
	Has the agency ensured that all volunteers and contractors who have contact with residents have been trained on their responsibilities under the agency's sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, and response policies and procedures?	yes

115.332 (b)	Volunteer and contractor training	
	Have all volunteers and contractors who have contact with residents been notified of the agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment and informed how to report such incidents (the level and type of training provided to volunteers and contractors shall be based on the services they provide and level of contact they have with residents)?	yes
115.332 (c)	Volunteer and contractor training	
	Does the agency maintain documentation confirming that volunteers and contractors understand the training they have received?	yes
115.333 (a)	Resident education	
	During intake, do residents receive information explaining the agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	During intake, do residents receive information explaining how to report incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse or sexual harassment?	yes
	Is this information presented in an age-appropriate fashion?	yes
115.333 (b)	Resident education	
	Within 10 days of intake, does the agency provide age-appropriate comprehensive education to residents either in person or through video regarding: Their rights to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Within 10 days of intake, does the agency provide age-appropriate comprehensive education to residents either in person or through video regarding: Their rights to be free from retaliation for reporting such incidents?	yes
	Within 10 days of intake, does the agency provide age-appropriate comprehensive education to residents either in person or through video regarding: Agency policies and procedures for responding to such incidents?	yes

115.333 (c)	Resident education	
	Have all residents received such education?	yes
	Do residents receive education upon transfer to a different facility to the extent that the policies and procedures of the resident's new facility differ from those of the previous facility?	yes
115.333 (d)	Resident education	
	Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents including those who: Are limited English proficient?	yes
	Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents including those who: Are deaf?	yes
	Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents including those who: Are visually impaired?	yes
	Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents including those who: Are otherwise disabled?	yes
	Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents including those who: Have limited reading skills?	yes
115.333 (e)	Resident education	
	Does the agency maintain documentation of resident participation in these education sessions?	yes
115.333 (f)	Resident education	
	In addition to providing such education, does the agency ensure that key information is continuously and readily available or visible to residents through posters, resident handbooks, or other written formats?	yes

115.334 (a)	Specialized training: Investigations	
	In addition to the general training provided to all employees pursuant to §115.331, does the agency ensure that, to the extent the agency itself conducts sexual abuse investigations, its investigators have received training in conducting such investigations in confinement settings? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).)	na
115.334 (b)	Specialized training: Investigations	
	Does this specialized training include: Techniques for interviewing juvenile sexual abuse victims? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).)	na
	Does this specialized training include: Proper use of Miranda and Garrity warnings? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).)	na
	Does this specialized training include: Sexual abuse evidence collection in confinement settings? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).)	na
	Does this specialized training include: The criteria and evidence required to substantiate a case for administrative action or prosecution referral? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).)	na
115.334 (c)	Specialized training: Investigations	
	Does the agency maintain documentation that agency investigators have completed the required specialized training in conducting sexual abuse investigations? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).)	na

115.335 (a)	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care	
	Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in: How to detect and assess signs of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
	Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in: How to preserve physical evidence of sexual abuse? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
	Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in: How to respond effectively and professionally to juvenile victims of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
	Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in: How and to whom to report allegations or suspicions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
115.335 (b)	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care	
	If medical staff employed by the agency conduct forensic examinations, do such medical staff receive appropriate training to conduct such examinations? (N/A if agency medical staff at the facility do not conduct forensic exams or the agency does not employ medical staff.)	yes
115.335 (c)	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care	
	Does the agency maintain documentation that medical and mental health practitioners have received the training referenced in this standard either from the agency or elsewhere? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes

115.335 (d)	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care	
	Do medical and mental health care practitioners employed by the agency also receive training mandated for employees by §115.331? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
	Do medical and mental health care practitioners contracted by and volunteering for the agency also receive training mandated for contractors and volunteers by §115.332? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners contracted by or volunteering for the agency.)	yes
115.341 (a)	Obtaining information from residents	
	Within 72 hours of the resident's arrival at the facility, does the agency obtain and use information about each resident's personal history and behavior to reduce risk of sexual abuse by or upon a resident?	yes
	Does the agency also obtain this information periodically throughout a resident's confinement?	yes
115.341 (b)	Obtaining information from residents	
	Are all PREA screening assessments conducted using an objective screening instrument?	yes

115.341 (c)	Obtaining information from residents	
	During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: Prior sexual victimization or abusiveness?	yes
	During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: Any gender nonconforming appearance or manner or identification as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex, and whether the resident may therefore be vulnerable to sexual abuse?	yes
	During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: Current charges and offense history?	yes
	During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: Age?	yes
	During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: Level of emotional and cognitive development?	yes
	During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: Physical size and stature?	yes
	During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: Mental illness or mental disabilities?	yes
	During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: Intellectual or developmental disabilities?	yes
	During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: Physical disabilities?	yes
	During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: The resident's own perception of vulnerability?	yes
	During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: Any other specific information about individual residents that may indicate heightened needs for supervision, additional safety precautions, or separation from certain other residents?	yes

115.341 (d)	Obtaining information from residents	
	Is this information ascertained: Through conversations with the resident during the intake process and medical mental health screenings?	yes
	Is this information ascertained: During classification assessments?	yes
	Is this information ascertained: By reviewing court records, case files, facility behavioral records, and other relevant documentation from the resident's files?	yes
115.341 (e)	Obtaining information from residents	
	Has the agency implemented appropriate controls on the dissemination within the facility of responses to questions asked pursuant to this standard in order to ensure that sensitive information is not exploited to the resident's detriment by staff or other residents?	yes
115.342 (a)	Placement of residents	
	Does the agency use all of the information obtained pursuant to § 115.341 and subsequently, with the goal of keeping all residents safe and free from sexual abuse, to make: Housing Assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use all of the information obtained pursuant to § 115.341 and subsequently, with the goal of keeping all residents safe and free from sexual abuse, to make: Bed assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use all of the information obtained pursuant to § 115.341 and subsequently, with the goal of keeping all residents safe and free from sexual abuse, to make: Work Assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use all of the information obtained pursuant to § 115.341 and subsequently, with the goal of keeping all residents safe and free from sexual abuse, to make: Education Assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use all of the information obtained pursuant to § 115.341 and subsequently, with the goal of keeping all residents safe and free from sexual abuse, to make: Program Assignments?	yes

115.342 (b)	Placement of residents	
	Are residents isolated from others only as a last resort when less restrictive measures are inadequate to keep them and other residents safe, and then only until an alternative means of keeping all residents safe can be arranged?	yes
	During any period of isolation, does the agency always refrain from denying residents daily large-muscle exercise?	yes
	During any period of isolation, does the agency always refrain from denying residents any legally required educational programming or special education services?	yes
	Do residents in isolation receive daily visits from a medical or mental health care clinician?	yes
	Do residents also have access to other programs and work opportunities to the extent possible?	yes
115.342 (c)	Placement of residents	
	Does the agency always refrain from placing: Lesbian, gay, and bisexual residents in particular housing, bed, or other assignments solely on the basis of such identification or status?	yes
	Does the agency always refrain from placing: Transgender residents in particular housing, bed, or other assignments solely on the basis of such identification or status?	yes
	Does the agency always refrain from placing: Intersex residents in particular housing, bed, or other assignments solely on the basis of such identification or status?	yes
	Does the agency always refrain from considering lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex identification or status as an indicator or likelihood of being sexually abusive?	yes

115.342 (d)	Placement of residents	
	When deciding whether to assign a transgender or intersex resident to a facility for male or female residents, does the agency consider on a case-by-case basis whether a placement would ensure the resident's health and safety, and whether a placement would present management or security problems (NOTE: if an agency by policy or practice assigns residents to a male or female facility on the basis of anatomy alone, that agency is not in compliance with this standard)?	yes
	When making housing or other program assignments for transgender or intersex residents, does the agency consider on a case-by-case basis whether a placement would ensure the resident's health and safety, and whether a placement would present management or security problems?	yes
115.342 (e)	Placement of residents	
	Are placement and programming assignments for each transgender or intersex resident reassessed at least twice each year to review any threats to safety experienced by the resident?	yes
115.342 (f)	Placement of residents	
	Are each transgender or intersex resident's own views with respect to his or her own safety given serious consideration when making facility and housing placement decisions and programming assignments?	yes
115.342 (g)	Placement of residents	
	Are transgender and intersex residents given the opportunity to shower separately from other residents?	yes

115.342 (h)	Placement of residents	
	If a resident is isolated pursuant to paragraph (b) of this section, does the facility clearly document: The basis for the facility's concern for the resident's safety? (N/A for h and i if facility doesn't use isolation?)	na
	If a resident is isolated pursuant to paragraph (b) of this section, does the facility clearly document: The reason why no alternative means of separation can be arranged? (N/A for h and i if facility doesn't use isolation?)	na
115.342 (i)	Placement of residents	
	In the case of each resident who is isolated as a last resort when less restrictive measures are inadequate to keep them and other residents safe, does the facility afford a review to determine whether there is a continuing need for separation from the general population EVERY 30 DAYS?	yes
115.351 (a)	Resident reporting	
	Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for residents to privately report: Sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for residents to privately report: 2. Retaliation by other residents or staff for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for residents to privately report: Staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to such incidents?	yes

115.351 (b)	Resident reporting	
	Does the agency also provide at least one way for residents to report sexual abuse or sexual harassment to a public or private entity or office that is not part of the agency?	yes
	Is that private entity or office able to receive and immediately forward resident reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to agency officials?	yes
	Does that private entity or office allow the resident to remain anonymous upon request?	yes
	Are residents detained solely for civil immigration purposes provided information on how to contact relevant consular officials and relevant officials at the Department of Homeland Security to report sexual abuse or harassment?	yes
115.351 (c)	Resident reporting	
	Do staff members accept reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment made verbally, in writing, anonymously, and from third parties?	yes
	Do staff members promptly document any verbal reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
115.351 (d)	Resident reporting	
	Does the facility provide residents with access to tools necessary to make a written report?	yes
115.351 (e)	Resident reporting	
	Does the agency provide a method for staff to privately report sexual abuse and sexual harassment of residents?	yes

115.352 (a)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Is the agency exempt from this standard? NOTE: The agency is exempt ONLY if it does not have administrative procedures to address resident grievances regarding sexual abuse. This does not mean the agency is exempt simply because a resident does not have to or is not ordinarily expected to submit a grievance to report sexual abuse. This means that as a matter of explicit policy, the agency does not have an administrative remedies process to address sexual abuse.	yes
115.352 (b)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Does the agency permit residents to submit a grievance regarding an allegation of sexual abuse without any type of time limits? (The agency may apply otherwise-applicable time limits to any portion of a grievance that does not allege an incident of sexual abuse.) (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
	Does the agency always refrain from requiring an resident to use any informal grievance process, or to otherwise attempt to resolve with staff, an alleged incident of sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
115.352 (c)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Does the agency ensure that: A resident who alleges sexual abuse may submit a grievance without submitting it to a staff member who is the subject of the complaint? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
	Does the agency ensure that: Such grievance is not referred to a staff member who is the subject of the complaint? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na

115.352 (d)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Does the agency issue a final agency decision on the merits of any portion of a grievance alleging sexual abuse within 90 days of the initial filing of the grievance? (Computation of the 90-day time period does not include time consumed by residents in preparing any administrative appeal.) (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
	If the agency determines that the 90 day timeframe is insufficient to make an appropriate decision and claims an extension of time (the maximum allowable extension of time to respond is 70 days per 115.352(d)(3)), does the agency notify the resident in writing of any such extension and provide a date by which a decision will be made? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
	At any level of the administrative process, including the final level, if the resident does not receive a response within the time allotted for reply, including any properly noticed extension, may a resident consider the absence of a response to be a denial at that level? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na

115.352 (e)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Are third parties, including fellow residents, staff members, family members, attorneys, and outside advocates, permitted to assist residents in filing requests for administrative remedies relating to allegations of sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
	Are those third parties also permitted to file such requests on behalf of residents? (If a third party, other than a parent or legal guardian, files such a request on behalf of a resident, the facility may require as a condition of processing the request that the alleged victim agree to have the request filed on his or her behalf, and may also require the alleged victim to personally pursue any subsequent steps in the administrative remedy process.) (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
	If the resident declines to have the request processed on his or her behalf, does the agency document the resident's decision? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
	Is a parent or legal guardian of a juvenile allowed to file a grievance regarding allegations of sexual abuse, including appeals, on behalf of such juvenile? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
	If a parent or legal guardian of a juvenile files a grievance (or an appeal) on behalf of a juvenile regarding allegations of sexual abuse, is it the case that those grievances are not conditioned upon the juvenile agreeing to have the request filed on his or her behalf? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na

115.352 (f)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Has the agency established procedures for the filing of an emergency grievance alleging that a resident is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
	After receiving an emergency grievance alleging a resident is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, does the agency immediately forward the grievance (or any portion thereof that alleges the substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse) to a level of review at which immediate corrective action may be taken? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
	After receiving an emergency grievance described above, does the agency provide an initial response within 48 hours? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
	After receiving an emergency grievance described above, does the agency issue a final agency decision within 5 calendar days? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
	Does the initial response and final agency decision document the agency's determination whether the resident is in substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
	Does the initial response document the agency's action(s) taken in response to the emergency grievance? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
	Does the agency's final decision document the agency's action(s) taken in response to the emergency grievance? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na
115.352 (g)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	If the agency disciplines a resident for filing a grievance related to alleged sexual abuse, does it do so ONLY where the agency demonstrates that the resident filed the grievance in bad faith? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	na

115.353 (a)	Resident access to outside confidential support services and legal representation	
	Does the facility provide residents with access to outside victim advocates for emotional support services related to sexual abuse by providing, posting, or otherwise making accessible mailing addresses and telephone numbers, including toll-free hotline numbers where available, of local, State, or national victim advocacy or rape crisis organizations?	yes
	Does the facility provide persons detained solely for civil immigration purposes mailing addresses and telephone numbers, including toll-free hotline numbers where available of local, State, or national immigrant services agencies?	yes
	Does the facility enable reasonable communication between residents and these organizations and agencies, in as confidential a manner as possible?	yes
115.353 (b)	Resident access to outside confidential support servi legal representation	ces and
	Does the facility inform residents, prior to giving them access, of the extent to which such communications will be monitored and the extent to which reports of abuse will be forwarded to authorities in accordance with mandatory reporting laws?	yes
115.353 (c)	Resident access to outside confidential support servi legal representation	ces and
	Does the agency maintain or attempt to enter into memoranda of understanding or other agreements with community service providers that are able to provide residents with confidential emotional support services related to sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the agency maintain copies of agreements or documentation showing attempts to enter into such agreements?	yes
115.353 (d)	Resident access to outside confidential support servi legal representation	ces and
	Does the facility provide residents with reasonable and confidential access to their attorneys or other legal representation?	yes
	Does the facility provide residents with reasonable access to parents or legal guardians?	yes

115.354 (a)	Third-party reporting	
	Has the agency established a method to receive third-party reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Has the agency distributed publicly information on how to report sexual abuse and sexual harassment on behalf of a resident?	yes
115.361 (a)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information they receive regarding an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment that occurred in a facility, whether or not it is part of the agency?	yes
	Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information they receive regarding retaliation against residents or staff who reported an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information they receive regarding any staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment or retaliation?	yes
115.361 (b)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	Does the agency require all staff to comply with any applicable mandatory child abuse reporting laws?	yes
115.361 (c)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	Apart from reporting to designated supervisors or officials and designated State or local services agencies, are staff prohibited from revealing any information related to a sexual abuse report to anyone other than to the extent necessary, as specified in agency policy, to make treatment, investigation, and other security and management decisions?	yes

115.361 (d)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	Are medical and mental health practitioners required to report sexual abuse to designated supervisors and officials pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section as well as to the designated State or local services agency where required by mandatory reporting laws?	yes
	Are medical and mental health practitioners required to inform residents of their duty to report, and the limitations of confidentiality, at the initiation of services?	yes
115.361 (e)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	Upon receiving any allegation of sexual abuse, does the facility head or his or her designee promptly report the allegation to the appropriate office?	yes
	Upon receiving any allegation of sexual abuse, does the facility head or his or her designee promptly report the allegation to the alleged victim's parents or legal guardians unless the facility has official documentation showing the parents or legal guardians should not be notified?	yes
	If the alleged victim is under the guardianship of the child welfare system, does the facility head or his or her designee promptly report the allegation to the alleged victim's caseworker instead of the parents or legal guardians? (N/A if the alleged victim is not under the guardianship of the child welfare system.)	yes
	If a juvenile court retains jurisdiction over the alleged victim, does the facility head or designee also report the allegation to the juvenile's attorney or other legal representative of record within 14 days of receiving the allegation?	yes
115.361 (f)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	Does the facility report all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including third-party and anonymous reports, to the facility's designated investigators?	yes

115.362 (a)	Agency protection duties	
	When the agency learns that a resident is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, does it take immediate action to protect the resident?	yes
115.363 (a)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Upon receiving an allegation that a resident was sexually abused while confined at another facility, does the head of the facility that received the allegation notify the head of the facility or appropriate office of the agency where the alleged abuse occurred?	yes
	Does the head of the facility that received the allegation also notify the appropriate investigative agency?	yes
115.363 (b)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Is such notification provided as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours after receiving the allegation?	yes
115.363 (c)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Does the agency document that it has provided such notification?	yes
115.363 (d)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Does the facility head or agency office that receives such notification ensure that the allegation is investigated in accordance with these standards?	yes

115.364 (a)	Staff first responder duties	
	Upon learning of an allegation that a resident was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Separate the alleged victim and abuser?	yes
	Upon learning of an allegation that a resident was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Preserve and protect any crime scene until appropriate steps can be taken to collect any evidence?	yes
	Upon learning of an allegation that a resident was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate, washing, brushing teeth, changing clothes, urinating, defecating, smoking, drinking, or eating, if the abuse occurred within a time period that still allows for the collection of physical evidence?	yes
	Upon learning of an allegation that a resident was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Ensure that the alleged abuser does not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate, washing, brushing teeth, changing clothes, urinating, defecating, smoking, drinking, or eating, if the abuse occurred within a time period that still allows for the collection of physical evidence?	yes
115.364 (b)	Staff first responder duties	
	If the first staff responder is not a security staff member, is the responder required to request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, and then notify security staff?	yes
115.365 (a)	Coordinated response	
	Has the facility developed a written institutional plan to coordinate actions among staff first responders, medical and mental health practitioners, investigators, and facility leadership taken in response to an incident of sexual abuse?	yes

115.366 (a)	Preservation of ability to protect residents from contact with abusers	
	Are both the agency and any other governmental entities responsible for collective bargaining on the agency's behalf prohibited from entering into or renewing any collective bargaining agreement or other agreement that limits the agency's ability to remove alleged staff sexual abusers from contact with any residents pending the outcome of an investigation or of a determination of whether and to what extent discipline is warranted?	yes
115.367 (a)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	Has the agency established a policy to protect all residents and staff who report sexual abuse or sexual harassment or cooperate with sexual abuse or sexual harassment investigations from retaliation by other residents or staff?	yes
	Has the agency designated which staff members or departments are charged with monitoring retaliation?	yes
115.367 (b)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	Does the agency employ multiple protection measures for residents or staff who fear retaliation for reporting sexual abuse or sexual harassment or for cooperating with investigations, such as housing changes or transfers for resident victims or abusers, removal of alleged staff or resident abusers from contact with victims, and emotional support services?	yes

115.367 (c)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor the conduct and treatment of residents or staff who reported the sexual abuse to see if there are changes that may suggest possible retaliation by residents or staff?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor the conduct and treatment of residents who were reported to have suffered sexual abuse to see if there are changes that may suggest possible retaliation by residents or staff?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Act promptly to remedy any such retaliation?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor: Any resident disciplinary reports?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor: Resident housing changes?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor: Resident program changes?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor: Negative performance reviews of staff?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor: Reassignments of staff?	yes
	Does the agency continue such monitoring beyond 90 days if the initial monitoring indicates a continuing need?	yes

115.367 (d)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	In the case of residents, does such monitoring also include periodic status checks?	yes
115.367 (e)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	If any other individual who cooperates with an investigation expresses a fear of retaliation, does the agency take appropriate measures to protect that individual against retaliation?	yes
115.368 (a)	Post-allegation protective custody	
	Is any and all use of segregated housing to protect a resident who is alleged to have suffered sexual abuse subject to the requirements of § 115.342?	yes
115.371 (a)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	When the agency conducts its own investigations into allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, does it do so promptly, thoroughly, and objectively? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal investigations of sexual abuse or harassment. See 115.321(a).)	na
	Does the agency conduct such investigations for all allegations, including third party and anonymous reports? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal investigations of sexual abuse or harassment. See 115.321(a).)	na
115.371 (b)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Where sexual abuse is alleged, does the agency use investigators who have received specialized training in sexual abuse investigations involving juvenile victims as required by 115.334?	yes

115.371 (c)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Do investigators gather and preserve direct and circumstantial evidence, including any available physical and DNA evidence and any available electronic monitoring data?	yes
	Do investigators interview alleged victims, suspected perpetrators, and witnesses?	yes
	Do investigators review prior reports and complaints of sexual abuse involving the suspected perpetrator?	yes
115.371 (d)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Does the agency always refrain from terminating an investigation solely because the source of the allegation recants the allegation?	yes
115.371 (e)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	When the quality of evidence appears to support criminal prosecution, does the agency conduct compelled interviews only after consulting with prosecutors as to whether compelled interviews may be an obstacle for subsequent criminal prosecution?	yes
115.371 (f)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Do agency investigators assess the credibility of an alleged victim, suspect, or witness on an individual basis and not on the basis of that individual's status as resident or staff?	yes
	Does the agency investigate allegations of sexual abuse without requiring a resident who alleges sexual abuse to submit to a polygraph examination or other truth-telling device as a condition for proceeding?	yes
115.371 (g)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Do administrative investigations include an effort to determine whether staff actions or failures to act contributed to the abuse?	yes
	Are administrative investigations documented in written reports that include a description of the physical evidence and testimonial evidence, the reasoning behind credibility assessments, and investigative facts and findings?	yes

115.371 (h)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Are criminal investigations documented in a written report that contains a thorough description of the physical, testimonial, and documentary evidence and attaches copies of all documentary evidence where feasible?	yes
115.371 (i)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Are all substantiated allegations of conduct that appears to be criminal referred for prosecution?	yes
115.371 (j)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Does the agency retain all written reports referenced in 115.371(g) and (h) for as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or employed by the agency, plus five years unless the abuse was committed by a juvenile resident and applicable law requires a shorter period of retention?	yes
115.371 (k)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Does the agency ensure that the departure of an alleged abuser or victim from the employment or control of the facility or agency does not provide a basis for terminating an investigation?	yes
115.371 (m)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	When an outside entity investigates sexual abuse, does the facility cooperate with outside investigators and endeavor to remain informed about the progress of the investigation? (N/A if an outside agency does not conduct administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).)	yes
115.372 (a)	Evidentiary standard for administrative investigation	S
	Is it true that the agency does not impose a standard higher than a preponderance of the evidence in determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated?	yes

115.373 (a)	Reporting to residents	
	Following an investigation into a resident's allegation of sexual abuse suffered in the facility, does the agency inform the resident as to whether the allegation has been determined to be substantiated, unsubstantiated, or unfounded?	yes
115.373 (b)	Reporting to residents	
	If the agency did not conduct the investigation into a resident's allegation of sexual abuse in an agency facility, does the agency request the relevant information from the investigative agency in order to inform the resident? (N/A if the agency/facility is responsible for conducting administrative and criminal investigations.)	yes

115.373 (c)	Reporting to residents	
	Following a resident's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The staff member is no longer posted within the resident's unit?	yes
	Following a resident's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The staff member is no longer employed at the facility?	yes
	Following a resident's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The agency learns that the staff member has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse in the facility?	yes
	Following a resident's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The agency learns that the staff member has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility?	yes
115.373 (d)	Reporting to residents	
	Following a resident's allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another resident, does the agency subsequently inform the alleged victim whenever: The agency learns that the alleged abuser has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility?	yes
	Following a resident's allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another resident, does the agency subsequently inform the alleged victim whenever: The agency learns that the alleged abuser has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility?	yes

115.373 (e)	Reporting to residents	
	Does the agency document all such notifications or attempted notifications?	yes
115.376 (a)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Are staff subject to disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies?	yes
115.376 (b)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Is termination the presumptive disciplinary sanction for staff who have engaged in sexual abuse?	yes
115.376 (c)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Are disciplinary sanctions for violations of agency policies relating to sexual abuse or sexual harassment (other than actually engaging in sexual abuse) commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the acts committed, the staff member's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other staff with similar histories?	yes
115.376 (d)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Are all terminations for violations of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies, or resignations by staff who would have been terminated if not for their resignation, reported to: Law enforcement agencies, unless the activity was clearly not criminal?	yes
	Are all terminations for violations of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies, or resignations by staff who would have been terminated if not for their resignation, reported to: Relevant licensing bodies?	yes

115.377 (a)	Corrective action for contractors and volunteers	
	Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse prohibited from contact with residents?	yes
	Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse reported to: Law enforcement agencies (unless the activity was clearly not criminal)?	yes
	Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse reported to: Relevant licensing bodies?	yes
115.377 (b)	Corrective action for contractors and volunteers	
	In the case of any other violation of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies by a contractor or volunteer, does the facility take appropriate remedial measures, and consider whether to prohibit further contact with residents?	yes
115.378 (a)	Interventions and disciplinary sanctions for residents	
	Following an administrative finding that a resident engaged in resident-on-resident sexual abuse, or following a criminal finding of guilt for resident-on-resident sexual abuse, may residents be subject to disciplinary sanctions only pursuant to a formal disciplinary process?	yes

115.378 (b)	Interventions and disciplinary sanctions for residents	
	Are disciplinary sanctions commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the abuse committed, the resident's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other residents with similar histories?	yes
	In the event a disciplinary sanction results in the isolation of a resident, does the agency ensure the resident is not denied daily large-muscle exercise?	yes
	In the event a disciplinary sanction results in the isolation of a resident, does the agency ensure the resident is not denied access to any legally required educational programming or special education services?	yes
	In the event a disciplinary sanction results in the isolation of a resident, does the agency ensure the resident receives daily visits from a medical or mental health care clinician?	yes
	In the event a disciplinary sanction results in the isolation of a resident, does the resident also have access to other programs and work opportunities to the extent possible?	yes
115.378 (c)	Interventions and disciplinary sanctions for residents	
	When determining what types of sanction, if any, should be imposed, does the disciplinary process consider whether a resident's mental disabilities or mental illness contributed to his or her behavior?	yes
115.378 (d)	Interventions and disciplinary sanctions for residents	
	If the facility offers therapy, counseling, or other interventions designed to address and correct underlying reasons or motivations for the abuse, does the facility consider whether to offer the offending resident participation in such interventions?	yes
	If the agency requires participation in such interventions as a condition of access to any rewards-based behavior management system or other behavior-based incentives, does it always refrain from requiring such participation as a condition to accessing general programming or education?	yes

115.378 (e)	Interventions and disciplinary sanctions for residents	
	Does the agency discipline a resident for sexual contact with staff only upon a finding that the staff member did not consent to such contact?	yes
115.378 (f)	Interventions and disciplinary sanctions for residents	
	For the purpose of disciplinary action, does a report of sexual abuse made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief that the alleged conduct occurred NOT constitute falsely reporting an incident or lying, even if an investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation?	yes
115.378 (g)	Interventions and disciplinary sanctions for residents	
	Does the agency always refrain from considering non-coercive sexual activity between residents to be sexual abuse? (N/A if the agency does not prohibit all sexual activity between residents.)	yes
115.381 (a)	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sex	ual abuse
	If the screening pursuant to § 115.341 indicates that a resident has experienced prior sexual victimization, whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, do staff ensure that the resident is offered a follow-up meeting with a medical or mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening?	yes
115.381 (b)	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sexual abuse	
	If the screening pursuant to § 115.341 indicates that a resident has previously perpetrated sexual abuse, whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, do staff ensure that the resident is offered a follow-up meeting with a mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening?	yes

115.381 (c)	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sexual abuse	
	Is any information related to sexual victimization or abusiveness that occurred in an institutional setting strictly limited to medical and mental health practitioners and other staff as necessary to inform treatment plans and security management decisions, including housing, bed, work, education, and program assignments, or as otherwise required by Federal, State, or local law?	yes
115.381 (d)	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sex	ual abuse
	Do medical and mental health practitioners obtain informed consent from residents before reporting information about prior sexual victimization that did not occur in an institutional setting, unless the resident is under the age of 18?	yes
115.382 (a)	Access to emergency medical and mental health serv	ices
	Do resident victims of sexual abuse receive timely, unimpeded access to emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services, the nature and scope of which are determined by medical and mental health practitioners according to their professional judgment?	yes
115.382 (b)	Access to emergency medical and mental health serv	ices
	If no qualified medical or mental health practitioners are on duty at the time a report of recent sexual abuse is made, do staff first responders take preliminary steps to protect the victim pursuant to § 115.362?	yes
	Do staff first responders immediately notify the appropriate medical and mental health practitioners?	yes
115.382 (c)	Access to emergency medical and mental health serv	ices
	Are resident victims of sexual abuse offered timely information about and timely access to emergency contraception and sexually transmitted infections prophylaxis, in accordance with professionally accepted standards of care, where medically appropriate?	yes

115.382 (d)	Access to emergency medical and mental health services	
	Are treatment services provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident?	yes
115.383 (a)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Does the facility offer medical and mental health evaluation and, as appropriate, treatment to all residents who have been victimized by sexual abuse in any prison, jail, lockup, or juvenile facility?	yes
115.383 (b)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Does the evaluation and treatment of such victims include, as appropriate, follow-up services, treatment plans, and, when necessary, referrals for continued care following their transfer to, or placement in, other facilities, or their release from custody?	yes
115.383 (c)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Does the facility provide such victims with medical and mental health services consistent with the community level of care?	yes
115.383 (d)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Are resident victims of sexually abusive vaginal penetration while incarcerated offered pregnancy tests? (N/A if all-male facility.)	na
115.383 (e)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	If pregnancy results from the conduct described in paragraph § 115.383(d), do such victims receive timely and comprehensive information about and timely access to all lawful pregnancy-related medical services? (N/A if all-male facility.)	na
115.383 (f)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Are resident victims of sexual abuse while incarcerated offered tests for sexually transmitted infections as medically appropriate?	yes

115.383 (g)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Are treatment services provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident?	yes
115.383 (h)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Does the facility attempt to conduct a mental health evaluation of all known resident-on-resident abusers within 60 days of learning of such abuse history and offer treatment when deemed appropriate by mental health practitioners?	yes
115.386 (a)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the facility conduct a sexual abuse incident review at the conclusion of every sexual abuse investigation, including where the allegation has not been substantiated, unless the allegation has been determined to be unfounded?	yes
115.386 (b)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does such review ordinarily occur within 30 days of the conclusion of the investigation?	yes
115.386 (c)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the review team include upper-level management officials, with input from line supervisors, investigators, and medical or mental health practitioners?	yes

115.386 (d)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the review team: Consider whether the allegation or investigation indicates a need to change policy or practice to better prevent, detect, or respond to sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the review team: Consider whether the incident or allegation was motivated by race; ethnicity; gender identity; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex identification, status, or perceived status; gang affiliation; or other group dynamics at the facility?	yes
	Does the review team: Examine the area in the facility where the incident allegedly occurred to assess whether physical barriers in the area may enable abuse?	yes
	Does the review team: Assess the adequacy of staffing levels in that area during different shifts?	yes
	Does the review team: Assess whether monitoring technology should be deployed or augmented to supplement supervision by staff?	yes
	Does the review team: Prepare a report of its findings, including but not necessarily limited to determinations made pursuant to §§ 115.386(d)(1)-(d)(5), and any recommendations for improvement and submit such report to the facility head and PREA compliance manager?	yes
115.386 (e)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the facility implement the recommendations for improvement, or document its reasons for not doing so?	yes
115.387 (a)	Data collection	
	Does the agency collect accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse at facilities under its direct control using a standardized instrument and set of definitions?	yes
115.387 (b)	Data collection	
	Does the agency aggregate the incident-based sexual abuse data at least annually?	yes

115.387 (c)	Data collection	
	Does the incident-based data include, at a minimum, the data necessary to answer all questions from the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence conducted by the Department of Justice?	yes
115.387 (d)	Data collection	
	Does the agency maintain, review, and collect data as needed from all available incident-based documents, including reports, investigation files, and sexual abuse incident reviews?	yes
115.387 (e)	Data collection	
	Does the agency also obtain incident-based and aggregated data from every private facility with which it contracts for the confinement of its residents? (N/A if agency does not contract for the confinement of its residents.)	yes
115.387 (f)	Data collection	
	Does the agency, upon request, provide all such data from the previous calendar year to the Department of Justice no later than June 30? (N/A if DOJ has not requested agency data.)	yes

115.388 (a)	Data review for corrective action	
	Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.387 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Identifying problem areas?	yes
	Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.387 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Taking corrective action on an ongoing basis?	yes
	Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.387 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Preparing an annual report of its findings and corrective actions for each facility, as well as the agency as a whole?	yes
115.388 (b)	Data review for corrective action	
	Does the agency's annual report include a comparison of the current year's data and corrective actions with those from prior years and provide an assessment of the agency's progress in addressing sexual abuse?	yes
115.388 (c)	Data review for corrective action	
	Is the agency's annual report approved by the agency head and made readily available to the public through its website or, if it does not have one, through other means?	yes
115.388 (d)	Data review for corrective action	
	Does the agency indicate the nature of the material redacted where it redacts specific material from the reports when publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of a facility?	yes
115.389 (a)	Data storage, publication, and destruction	
	Does the agency ensure that data collected pursuant to § 115.387 are securely retained?	yes

115.389 (b)	Data storage, publication, and destruction	
	Does the agency make all aggregated sexual abuse data, from facilities under its direct control and private facilities with which it contracts, readily available to the public at least annually through its website or, if it does not have one, through other means?	yes
115.389 (c)	Data storage, publication, and destruction	
	Does the agency remove all personal identifiers before making aggregated sexual abuse data publicly available?	yes
115.389 (d)	Data storage, publication, and destruction	
	Does the agency maintain sexual abuse data collected pursuant to § 115.387 for at least 10 years after the date of the initial collection, unless Federal, State, or local law requires otherwise?	yes
115.401 (a)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	During the prior three-year audit period, did the agency ensure that each facility operated by the agency, or by a private organization on behalf of the agency, was audited at least once? (Note: The response here is purely informational. A "no" response does not impact overall compliance with this standard.)	yes
115.401 (b)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Is this the first year of the current audit cycle? (Note: a "no" response does not impact overall compliance with this standard.)	yes
	If this is the second year of the current audit cycle, did the agency ensure that at least one-third of each facility type operated by the agency, or by a private organization on behalf of the agency, was audited during the first year of the current audit cycle? (N/A if this is not the second year of the current audit cycle.)	na
	If this is the third year of the current audit cycle, did the agency ensure that at least two-thirds of each facility type operated by the agency, or by a private organization on behalf of the agency, were audited during the first two years of the current audit cycle? (N/A if this is not the third year of the current audit cycle.)	na

115.401 (h)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Did the auditor have access to, and the ability to observe, all areas of the audited facility?	yes
115.401 (i)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Was the auditor permitted to request and receive copies of any relevant documents (including electronically stored information)?	yes
115.401 (m)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Was the auditor permitted to conduct private interviews with inmates, residents, and detainees?	yes
115.401 (n)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Were inmates, residents, and detainees permitted to send confidential information or correspondence to the auditor in the same manner as if they were communicating with legal counsel?	yes
115.403 (f)	Audit contents and findings	
	The agency has published on its agency website, if it has one, or has otherwise made publicly available, all Final Audit Reports. The review period is for prior audits completed during the past three years PRECEDING THIS AUDIT. The pendency of any agency appeal pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 115.405 does not excuse noncompliance with this provision. (N/A if there have been no Final Audit Reports issued in the past three years, or, in the case of single facility agencies, there has never been a Final Audit Report issued.)	yes