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Annual Report of PREA Data

2017

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003 is a federal law established to support the elimination and prevention of sexual assault and sexual misconduct in correctional systems. PREA addresses both inmate to inmate sexual assault and staff to inmate sexual assault. The Middle Peninsula Regional Security Center fully supports the guidelines set forth in this law and has a Zero-Tolerance for any and all incidents of sexual assault and sexual harassment in accordance with the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003.

This report provides a comparison of incidents from 2014 to 2017 and will be utilized to identify problem areas and formulate corrective measures in efforts to prevent future incidents of sexual abuse.

In accordance with PREA, all investigations are assigned one of the three possible determinations:

Substantiated - an allegation which was investigated and determined to have occurred.

Unsubstantiated - an allegation which provided insufficient evidence to make a final determination of either a substantiated or unfounded claim.

Unfounded - an allegation which was investigated and determined not to have occurred.

In 2016 and 2017, there were zero incidents or allegations of staff to inmate sexual abuse or sexual harassment, and zero allegations of inmate to inmate sexual abuse or sexual harassment.

In an effort to be certain that no PREA incident was overlooked, all incidents and/or allegations that could have had possible sexual components and/or implications were thoroughly reviewed and/or investigated by specially trained Middle Peninsula Regional Security Center investigators. None of these incidents and/or allegations were found to have met the criteria of a PREA complaint/allegation, and were therefore handled as dictated by appropriate MPRSC policies and procedures.

In 2015, there were zero incidents or allegations of staff to inmate sexual abuse or sexual harassment, and three allegations of inmate to inmate sexual abuse or sexual harassment. Of the three alleged incidents, two were unfounded, false allegations, and one was substantiated.

A thorough review of the substantiated 2015 incident was conducted and it was determined that it was an isolated incident. No deficiencies were identified, and no corrective measures were needed. Investigations of the two unfounded 2015 incidents revealed that the inmates made false allegations against other inmates, in an attempt to manipulate their housing/facility assignments

after they were transferred to the Department of Corrections. No deficiencies were identified, and no corrective measures were needed.

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The increase in PREA incidents between 2014 and 2015 was determined to be due to increased staff and inmate education and awareness, attempted inmate manipulation, and the “newness” of the MPRSC PREA program to Middle Peninsula Regional Security Center staff and inmates.

The decrease in PREA incidents between 2015 and 2016 has also been determined to be due to increased staff and inmate education and awareness, as well as the MPRSC PREA program becoming well established amongst Middle Peninsula Regional Security Center staff and inmates alike.

Middle Peninsula Regional Security Center remains vigilant in our efforts to prevent and detect future incidents of sexual abuse or sexual harassment by continually reviewing agency and industry policies and practices, in an effort to identify potential deficiencies, and making corrections as needed. It has been determined that this continued vigilance has contributed to maintaining zero incidents or allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment, by any party, in 2016 or 2017.

In addition, Middle Peninsula Regional Security Center makes every effort to prevent and/or eliminate staff to inmate, and inmate to inmate, sexual abuse and sexual harassment by providing ongoing inmate education, and regular staff training on the PREA standards.


Key: S = Substantiated US = Unsubstantiated UF = Unfounded

	2014			2015			2016			2017		
	Inmate to Inmate			Inmate to Inmate			Inmate to Inmate			Inmate to Inmate		
Allegations	S	US	UF	S	US	UF	S	US	UF	S	US	UF
Nonconsensual Sexual Acts	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Abusive Sexual Contact	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Staff to Inmate			Staff to Inmate			Staff to Inmate			Staff to Inmate		
Allegations	S	US	UF	S	US	UF	S	US	UF	S	US	UF
Sexual Misconduct	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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