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# PREA ANNUAL REPORT

2019

This report was written in accordance with Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Standard 115.388 Data review for corrective action.

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### PREA Standard 115.388

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) was established to address sexual abuse and sexual harassment of persons confined to correctional facilities. Standard 115.388 Data Review for Corrective Action of PREA, requires that all public and private institutions that housed adult or juvenile offenders review data collected and aggregated on an annual basis in order to assess and enhance the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection and response policies, practices and training, including identifying problem areas; taking corrective action on an ongoing basis; and preparing an annual report of its findings and corrective actions for each facility as well as the agency as a whole.

Christian Acres Youth Center contracts with the Louisiana Office of Juvenile Justice to house their youth. The facility accepts youth for placement from all areas of the state.

## **Key Terms and Definitions**

**NONCONSENSUAL SEXUAL ACTS** – Unwanted contact with another resident or any contact with staff that involve contact with the penis and the vagina or anus; contact between the mouth and the penis, vagina, or anus; penetration of the anal or vaginal opening of another person by a hand, finger, or other object; and rubbing of another person's penis or vagina by a hand.

**ABUSIVE SEXUAL CONTACTS** – Unwanted contact with another resident or any contact with staff that involved touching of the residents' buttocks, thighs, penis, breasts, or vagina in a sexual way.

**SEXUAL HARASSMENT** – Repeated and unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or verbal comments, gestures, or actions of a derogatory or offensive sexual nature by one resident directed toward another.

**STAFF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT** —All incidents of willing and unwilling sexual contact with facility staff, and all incidents of sexual activity that involved oral, anal or vaginal penetration.

**STAFF SEXUAL HARRASMENT**- Repeated verbal comments or gestures of a sexual nature to a resident by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer, including demeaning references to gender, sexually suggestive or derogatory comments about body or clothing, or obscene language or gestures.

ALLEGED-accused but not proven.

**SUBSTANTIATED-** provide evidence to support the truth

The agency shall impose no standard higher than *a preponderance of the evidence* in determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are **substantiated**.

**PREPONDERANCE OF EVIDENCE-** prove that there is a greater than 50% chance, based on all the reasonable evidence, that the allegation occurred.

## 2018-2019 Comparison of PREA Allegations

This report includes a comparison for the calendar years of 2017 and 2018data on sexual abuse and sexual harassment allegations and provides an assessment of Christian Acres Youth Center's progress in preventing sexual abuse and sexual harassment of its residents. This review included a review of the data from all available incident reports, grievances and investigations.

#### REPORTING CRITERIA

2018 2019

Number of residents present on December 31st	78	76
Number of residents admitted during the target year	166	156
Number of <u>alleged</u> resident-on-resident NONCONSENSUAL SEXUAL ACTS	1	1
Number of <i>substantiated</i> resident-on-resident NONCONSENSUAL SEXUAL ACTS	0	1
Number of <u>alleged</u> resident-on-resident ABUSIVE SEXUAL CONTACT	1	1
Number of substantiated resident-on-resident ABUSIVE SEXUAL CONTACT	1	0
Number of <u>alleged</u> resident-on-resident SEXUAL HARASSMENT	0	1
Number of substantiated resident-on-resident SEXUAL HARASSMENT	0	0
Number of <u>alleged</u> STAFF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT	2	1
Number of substantiated STAFF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT	2	0
Number of <u>alleged</u> STAFF SEXUAL HARRASMENT	0	0
Number of substantiated STAFF SEXUAL HARRASMENT	0	0

### Comparative Analysis:

Christian Acres Youth Center had changes in the categories of reported allegations from 2018-2019. There were no changes in the total allegations for both years (4). In 2019 CAYC experienced an decrease in residents admitted from 166 in 2018 to 156 in 2019. Based on these numbers the per capita of allegations in 2018 was 2.4% and the per capita of allegations in 2019 was 2.6%, which constitutes a increase.

Christian Acres Youth Center continues its efforts in ensuring that the residents, staff, volunteers and contractors are educated in the agency's Zero Tolerance policy. Any suspicions based on the attached continuum are documented and/or investigated to ensure the health and safety of the residents served. A comparative analysis, based on the definitions in this report, of 2018 and 2019 data indicates the following:

- There is **No change** of reported resident-on-resident NONCONSENSUAL SEXUAL ACTS. In 2018 & 2018 there was 1 reported.
- There is a **No change** of reported resident-on-resident ABUSIVE SEXUAL CONTACT. In 2018 & 2018 there was 1 reported.
- There is **an increase** of reported resident-on-resident SEXUAL HARASSMENT. In 2018 there is 0 reported and in 2019 there is 1 reported.

- There is a decrease of reported STAFF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT. In 2018 there is 2 allegations reported and in 2019 there is 1 reported.
- There is **No change** of reported STAFF SEXUAL HARRASMENT. In 2018 & 2019 there is 0 reported.

#### 2018 Corrective Actions

- New procedures regarding resident placement in the cottage and any bedroom movement have been put into place. All movements and placements must go through the PREA Coordinator. A new form is listed in the data base system.
- Bedtime procedures now include the televisions and game systems to be turned off at resident's bedtime and cannot be turned on until midnight (if all residents are asleep).
- Utilizing the Dianna Screening tool, which is a child abuse risk reduction too, was considered and may be implemented in the future.
- On October 1, 2018, CAYC was required to submit a request for all owners including board members, contractors, and all staff (paid, non-paid, and volunteers) employed/providing services as of October 1, 2018, to Licensing management staff for state central registry for Child Abuse and Neglect. (This was done in lieu of the Dianna Screening at this time.)

### 2019 Corrective Actions

- On September 24, 2019 Policy 14.18 related to Supervision of Resident Showers, performing bodily functions and clothing changes was revised regarding the staff procedures.
- There is an ongoing effort to help the staff to become more proficient in documentation of resident activities and movement.

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