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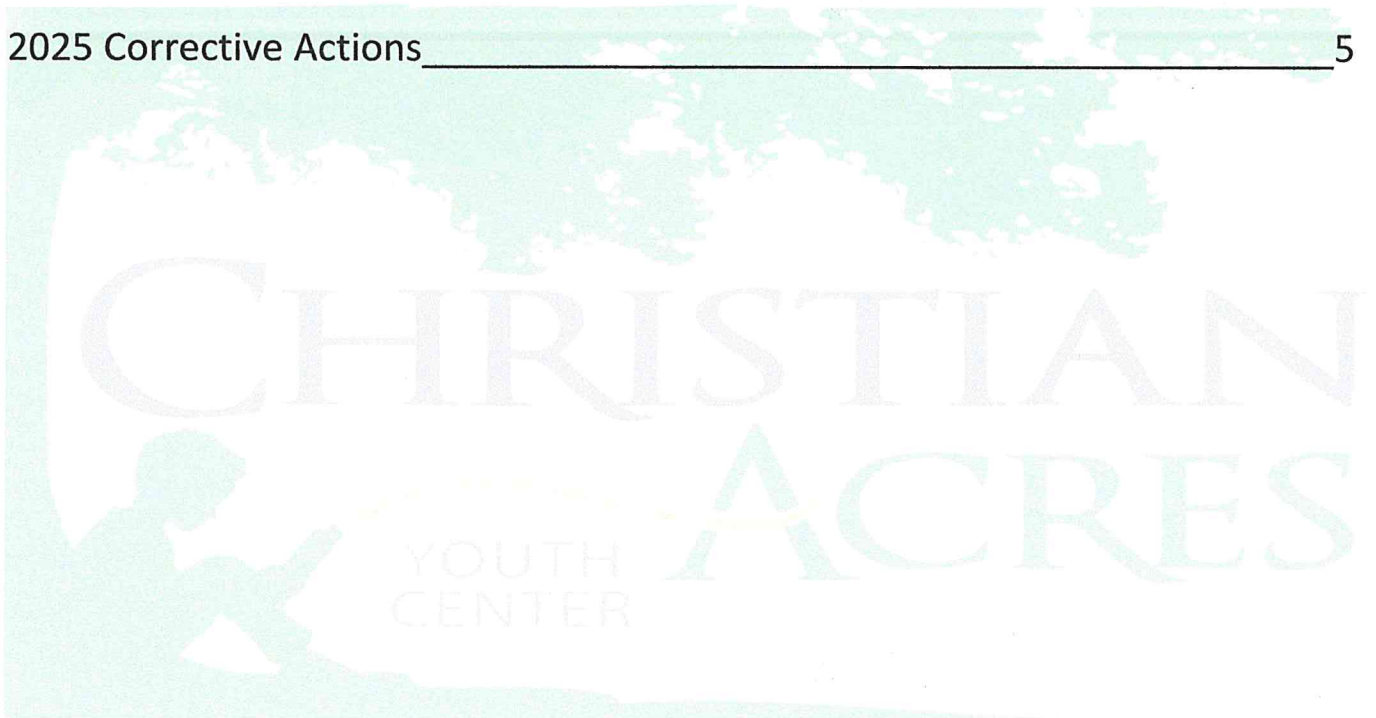
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This report was written in accordance with Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Standard 115.388 Data review for corrective action.

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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.

- There was **no change** of reported STAFF SEXUAL HARRASMENT. In 2024 there was 0 reported and in 2025 there was 0 reported.

2024 Corrective Actions

- The agency has seen an increase in at residents who participate in “hazing” rituals (or “welcoming”) when a new resident enters the cottage/campus. More restrictive supervision methods have been implemented.

2025 Corrective Actions

The following areas will be trained on an ongoing basis to assure that the staff are aware of their duties and what is expected.

- **Active Supervision of Residents**
Staff are required to actively monitor resident behavior during evening and overnight hours. Ongoing horseplay or inappropriate behavior after bedtime must be redirected immediately. If the behavior continues over multiple nights, an incident report must be completed to document and address the behavior before it escalates.
- **Rotation of Monitoring Duties**
Staff assignments for monitoring bedroom doors during bedtime will be rotated to prevent complacency and ensure consistent supervision.
- **Documentation of Cottage Rounds**
Staff must conduct and document cottage rounds at random intervals not exceeding fifteen (15) minutes. Logbook entries must accurately reflect the time rounds occur. Supervisory staff will periodically review logs to ensure compliance.
- **Shift Transition Coverage**
Staff leaving shift must remain on duty until the relief staff member arrives and supervision responsibility is transferred. Residents may not be left unsupervised (out of ratio) during shift changes.
- **Bedroom Safety Checks**
Staff must visually confirm resident safety during rounds. When bedrooms are dark, staff may quietly enter rooms and utilize a small flashlight if necessary, to ensure residents are safe while minimizing disturbance.
- **Bedtime Environment Compliance**
Televisions and common area electronics must remain off during designated sleeping hours unless otherwise authorized.
- **Camera Monitoring and Equipment Reporting**
Staff will report camera malfunctions immediately to administration. Administration staff will evaluate the front camera that intermittently shuts off and ensure lighting conditions allow surveillance equipment to function properly.

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