



McHENRY COUNTY ADULT CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

Prison Rape Elimination Act

2015 PREA Coordinator's Annual Report



This report has been prepared in accordance with §115.87 and o§115.88 of the PREA Standards in order to address and improve the effectiveness of McHenry County Adult Correctional Facility in sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training. In subsequent years, the information collected for this report will be used to identify problem areas and to take corrective action on an ongoing basis.

Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA)

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) is a federal law that prohibits sexual misconduct in correctional settings such as prisons, jails, lockups, juvenile facilities and Immigration Services/ICE detention facilities.

The McHenry County Sheriff's Office is committed to emphasizing a zero-tolerance for sexual abuse or assault of detainees/inmates, either by staff or other detainees/inmates. It shall be the policy of the McHenry County Sheriff's Office Corrections Bureau to provide a safe and secure environment for all detainees, employees, contractors and volunteers, free from the threat of sexual abuse or assault by maintaining a *Sexual Abuse and Assault Prevention and Intervention Program* that ensures effective procedures for preventing, reporting, responding to, investigating and tracking incidents or allegations of sexual abuse or assault. The Corrections Bureau shall conduct investigations in a manner that avoids unnecessary embarrassment or indignity to the detainee/inmate. It shall also be the policy of the McHenry County Sheriff's Office to pursue administrative, disciplinary and/or criminal sanctions against any detainee/inmate, staff member, contractor or volunteer found to have committed sexual abuse or assault against a detainee/inmate. It shall be the responsibility of the Medical staff to provide immediate first-aid to the victim and to refer the detainee/inmate to the appropriate medical facility.

General Information

During 2012, there were 7,467 new admissions into the McHenry County Adult Correctional Facility. Of the new admissions, 6,324 were males and 1,143 were females. The average daily population was 465 (436 males and 29 females).

During 2013, there were 6,524 new admissions into the McHenry County Adult Correctional Facility. Of the new admissions, 5,458 were males and 1,066 were females. The average daily population was 410 (377 males and 33 females).

During 2014, there were 6,639 new admissions into the McHenry County Adult Correctional Facility. Of the new admissions, 5,539 were males and 1,099 were females. The average daily population was 384 (349 males and 35 females).

During 2015, there were 6,368 new admissions into the McHenry County Adult Correctional Facility. Of the new admissions, 5,565 were males and 1,002 were females. The average daily population was 354 (324 males and 30 females).

PREA Report Activity

The table below indicates the number of “Detainee/Inmate Against Detainee/Inmate”, “Staff Against Detainee/Inmate”, and “Detainee/Inmate Against Staff” reports that occurred each year.

January - December	Detainee/Inmate Against Detainee/Inmate Reports	Staff Against Detainee/Inmates Reports	Detainee/Inmate Against Staff Reports
2012	1	1	0
2013	3	2	0
2014	10	5	0
2015	17	8	1

PREA Report Findings

Definitions of Findings

Substantiated: Allegation investigated and the investigation indicated that the alleged event did occur.

Unsubstantiated: Allegation investigated and insufficient evidence to make a determination as to whether or not event occurred.

Unfounded: Allegation investigated and investigation indicated alleged event did not occur.

Non-PREA: Allegation investigated and investigation indicated PREA alleged event did not occur.

Ongoing: Investigation is ongoing.

The table below indicates the findings of the investigations into “**Detainee/Inmate Against Detainee/Inmate**” PREA allegations listed in the PREA Report Activity table on the preceding page.

January - December	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Non-PREA	Ongoing
2012	0	0	1	0	0
2013	0	1	0	2	0
2014	1	0	5	4	0
2015	4	7	1	3	2

The table below indicates the findings of the investigations into “**Staff Against Detainee/Inmate**” PREA allegations listed in the PREA Report Activity table on the preceding page.

January - December	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Non-PREA	Ongoing
2012	0	0	1	0	0
2013	0	0	1	1	0
2014	1	0	3	1	0
2015	1	0	5	0	2

The table below indicates the findings of the investigations into “**Detainee/Inmate Against Staff**” PREA allegations listed in the PREA Report Activity table on the preceding page.

January - December	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Non-PREA	Ongoing
2012	0	0	0	0	0
2013	0	0	0	0	0
2014	0	0	0	0	0
2015	1	0	0	0	0

PREA Incident Reviews

The McHenry County Adult Correctional Facility has implemented a Sexual Abuse Incident Review group per PREA Standard §115.86. Under this Standard, the Corrections Bureau must 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. Such review will ordinarily occur within thirty (30) days of the conclusion of the investigation. The review team will include upper-level management officials, with input from line supervisors, investigators, and medical or mental health practitioners. The Corrections Bureau will implement the recommendations for improvement, or document its reasons for not doing so.

Review Criteria:

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 alleged incident 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 allegation 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) through (d)(5) of this section, and any recommendations for improvement and submit such report to the facility head and PREA compliance manager.

Analysis/Corrective Action

None needed this reporting period.