

PREA Facility Audit Report: Final

Name of Facility: Darrell B. Hester Juvenile Detention Center

Facility Type: Juvenile

Date Interim Report Submitted: NA

Date Final Report Submitted: 11/02/2020

Auditor Certification	
The contents of this report are accurate to the best of my knowledge.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No conflict of interest exists with respect to my ability to conduct an audit of the agency under review.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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FACILITY INFORMATION	
Facility name:	Darrell B. Hester Juvenile Detention Center
Facility physical address:	2310 W. Business Hwy 77, San Benito, Texas - 78586
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Facility Characteristics	
Designed facility capacity:	61
Current population of facility:	15
Average daily population for the past 12 months:	43
Has the facility been over capacity at any point in the past 12 months?	No
Which population(s) does the facility hold?	Both females and males
Age range of population:	10-17
Facility security levels/resident custody levels:	medium to high
Number of staff currently employed at the facility who may have contact with residents:	69
Number of individual contractors who have contact with residents, currently authorized to enter the facility:	5
Number of volunteers who have contact with residents, currently authorized to enter the facility:	1

AGENCY INFORMATION	
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AUDIT FINDINGS

Narrative:

The auditor's description of the audit methodology should include a detailed description of the following processes during the pre-audit, on-site audit, and post-audit phases: documents and files reviewed, discussions and types of interviews conducted, number of days spent on-site, observations made during the site-review, and a detailed description of any follow-up work conducted during the post-audit phase. The narrative should describe the techniques the auditor used to sample documentation and select interviewees, and the auditor's process for the site review.

PREA America was selected on October 30, 2019 to perform the PREA Audits of the three Cameron County Juvenile Justice Department facilities in May 2020. Introductory communication with the PREA Coordinator to discuss the audit process, audit preparation the Pre- Audit Questionnaire (PAQ) and supporting documents and elements of the on-site visit, took place shortly after scheduling the on-site audit dates. The audits were first scheduled for May 18, 19, and 20th, but were rescheduled to August 3, 4 and 5, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

The Audit Team consisted of PREA America Project Manager Tom Kovach and DOJ Certified PREA Auditor Will Weir, MCJ.

The Audit Notice Posting was sent with instructions to print on color paper and proper distribution of the posting. Alternative language posting was also made available. Proof of posting was verified by emailed photos of the various locations in the facility where the postings were placed. The date of the email was used to verify the minimum posting requirements of six weeks, along with observations of the posting during the physical plant tour. According to emailed photos, the postings were up by May 20th, 2020.

During the Pre-Audit Phase an extensive desk audit of the facility/agency was conducted utilizing the PAQ, policies, procedures, as well as supporting documentation. Many emails and calls were exchanged to clarify issues. This phase of the audit was used to collaborate with the facility staff on questions and concerns with documenting compliance. The communication with the facility staff was used to understand not only the policies and procedures unique to the facility but also to understand how PREA was put into practice. Internet research was done on the facility.

All documents received were reviewed, including logs, training files and curriculum. Background checks (child abuse registry) were randomly selected of staff, contractors and volunteers to verify the initial background check as well as the 5 year recheck requirement. Resident/Inmates were randomly selected to verify PREA education and PREA Screenings. Phone calls were made to listed advocates, to verify the advocacy required by the standards.

Unfortunately, since the initial dates past and the new dates were approaching the local COVID-19 situation only got worse. There was a 100% increase in the number of confirmed cases in the county in the preceding month. This was confirmed with internet research of the Health Department posting and news accounts. This situation became acute when ICU beds reached capacity prompting the Local County Judge to order several mandatory measures including the lock down of the facility to outside visitation to protect youth and staff.

The Agency Head requested that the On-Site Audits be conducted virtually since they had already postponed their audits once due to the Pandemic, and it had been well over three years since the previous audits. The previous Audits had been completed September 2, 2016.

Zoom videos were scheduled the day of the scheduled onsite visit. Measures were taken to confirm that the interviews were confidential and not being recorded. This is the same mechanism they use for court during the pandemic. The youth interviewed had no problem with the technology and resulting interviews were excellent quality with the responsiveness of the youth. Staff interviews were conducted the same way. Interviewees confirmed that the interviews were private and spoke freely.

The virtual tour through Zoom was conducted exactly as conduct onsite tours: Doors were checked, phones inspected to ensure they were working, blind spots were looked for and a full camera review was conducted, all through the PREA Coordinator. The facilities had not been changed since their last audit with the exception of new cameras being added. The construction in detention was a remodel of the Kitchen and added a Sally Port, both in areas where there are no youth.

Cameron County PREA Policy has adapted the PREA Standards to their facilities. Their policy uses the number of the Standards for identification.

The on-site audit started with a briefing with administrators which confirmed current population, agenda and logistics review, discussion of mandatory reporting and clarifying the need to allow any staff or resident who requests an interview to get one. The audit team checked to see if there were questions or concerns.

The Site Review included obtaining and studying the facility diagram of the physical plant. Observing staff and inmates and the supervision and movement along with casual conversation to ascertain if observations made were of "normal" supervision and movement. Random checks were made to assure doors intended to be secured were locked. Random checks of PREA Hotline phones for functionality were made. All housing units and bathroom facilities were inspected for compliance for cross gender supervision. This included a camera review for those areas with cameras. All areas of the physical plants were observed, with attention to those areas which statistically are high risk for sexual abuse. PREA Postings including third party reporting postings, in the visitation area were checked. Confirmation of the availability to staff of First Responder Duties was also a part of the tour. Blind spots were identified and procedures for checking them were verified.

Interviews were selected in accordance with the guidance of the PREA Auditor Handbook with random selections of inmates to ensure diversity of geographic location (from each housing unit), race, and those with risk factors. Random Staff interviews were made to include gender, shift and posting diversity. Interviews were in a conversational manner to gain the confidence of those interviewed and to put them at ease so the audit team could better understand their understanding of the PREA and the practice in the facility.

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Cameron County PREA Policy has adopted the numbering system used by the PREA Standards.

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10 of the 15 residents were interviewed. The 5 residents in COVID-19 quarantine were offered interviews, but since none requested interviews, and since privacy during interviews was more difficult to guarantee for those residents, they were not interviewed. All 10 of the other residents were interviewed including residents formerly in quarantine who explained the quarantine process. 9 males and 1 female were interviewed. Two of the interviews are considered targeted interviews based on the definition in the PREA Auditor Handbook. These 2 residents had factors considered by PREA to place them at possible risk for sexual abuse. Since there were only 15 residents in the program, confidentiality is more difficult to maintain. Therefore, to protect confidentiality, the specific risk factors associated with the two targeted interviews will not be revealed in this report since this report is required to be published on the agency website as a publicly available document.

The following interviews of staff were conducted: Agency Head, Agency PREA Coordinator, Agency Contract Monitor, Facility Director, Agency Human Resources, Investigator, PREA Compliance Manager, higher-level staff for unannounced rounds, medical staff, mental health staff, SANE Nurse (in community), staff that perform Screening and Intake, staff who monitor for retaliation, Incident Review Team, staff who monitors in Isolation. Since this is a small facility many administrators perform multiple duties. 17 unique interviews were completed covering these specialized roles and duties. An additional 12 were selected randomly, representing various stations, housing units, shifts, and genders. A total of 29 unique interviews were conducted for this Audit.

The Exit Briefing addressed all aspects of the audit to date. No determination of compliance was given. The recap of the aggregated information obtained and observed were summarized including a SWOT, Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats, briefing was provided by request of the facility staff to assist in furthering the efforts of the facility to prevent and detect sexual abuse and harassment.

After the Exit Briefing, agencies and facilities typically have 30 days to make minor corrective actions and to turn in any remaining documentation prior to the Auditor issuing an initial audit report. However, due to continued COVID-19 related delays, the agency needed more time. The U. S. Department of Justice’s PREA Management Office released an “Important Message” back on March 19, 2020, which stated, in part, “The primary purpose of this initial communication is to assure all stakeholders that the PMO and PRC will not take any action that has the effect, either directly or indirectly, of punishing agencies, facilities, DOJ-certified auditors, or others who may be unable to comply in a timely fashion with PREA

requirements because of efforts to address, manage, and mitigate the effects of COVID-19.” It went on to say, “The PMO anticipates the current outbreak may necessitate auditing delays, and recognizes that this may impact their ability to uphold requirements in the PREA Standards.” The Message also stated, “The PMO is creating a frequently asked questions (FAQs) document that addresses in more detail the specific inquiries submitted by confinement agencies and facilities, PREA auditors, victim advocates, and others who may be concerned about the impact of COVID-19 on PREA audits and PREA implementation efforts.” The referenced FAQ document still has not been released, and specific inquiries to the PMO and PRC are still unanswered. Therefore, with nothing to go on from PMO related to COVID-19, other than the broad March 19 instructions, the Auditor granted all three Cameron County Juvenile Justice Department facilities a 45-day extension to hopefully assist them to conduct minor corrective actions, and provide documentation not provided during the Pre-Audit process, that was delayed due to COVID-19.

The extension served its purpose, providing the agency with time to provided additional training and documentation to show compliance with the few Standards with which compliance had not yet been fully verified. The issues that were resolved during the 75 days after the On-Site Audit included updating their contract monitoring forms and tracking system, updating their website, retraining regarding first responder duties, updating their Coordinated Response Plan, and having sexual abuse investigators do a refresher review of the PREA Standards relating to investigations (in addition to already having been trained). Since family visits are being completed through Zoom, instead of in person, 3rd party notifications were added to the Zoom invitations.

AUDIT FINDINGS

Facility Characteristics:

The auditor's description of the audited facility should include details about the facility type, demographics and size of the inmate or resident population, numbers and type of staff positions, configuration and layout of the facility, numbers of housing units, description of housing units including any special housing units, a description of programs and services, including food service and recreation. The auditor should describe how these details are relevant to PREA implementation and compliance.

The Darrell B. Hester Juvenile Detention Center has one building. It is composed of Section I and Section II. Section I consists of 4 pods with 8 single cells, and 1 observation room and 2 holding cells. Section II has 3 pods with 8 single cells and 2 observation rooms, which currently are not being used due to the COVID pandemic. All population is currently being housed in Section I. It also has 2 additional pods that are used for LIFE (Ladies Inspired for Excellence) program. All cells are equipped with a toilet, sink and water fountain. The cells each have a locking mechanism which may be unlocked by Section I and Section II Control Booth Operators (CBO) or manually with a key. Within pods, there is a single shower for resident use.

The Darrell B. Hester Juvenile Detention Center is housed in the Derrell B Hester Juvenile Justice Center. Within the overarching building is an administrative wing. Within the administrative wing are the chief, two deputies, and several support staff, as well as the facility administrators. In the remainder of the Justice Center, there is a conference room, and there are restrooms, all of which are accessed off the Lobby/Reception area for the public. The Lobby area also includes the entrance and waiting area for the Juvenile Justice Court Room, and offices for the Judge and associated staff.

The Detention Center has a police entrance, which leads into the Intake area. It has two holding cells, if needed, for overflow while booking. There is a room with lockers, and there is a shower for newly arriving residents. One hall has a laundry, two offices, a lounge for staff, and a medical room. Then, after a turn, there is a kitchen and a dining area, with a wet cell on the right behind Control, just before entering the Activity Room. The other hall, past the Locker and Holding cells, accesses two restrooms and a Visitor area, with an outside entrance and its own restrooms. There is a short hall, in which there are classrooms, and which terminates by Control and another wet cell before going into the Activity room from the other side.

Control is positioned to view all Pods and the Activity room, which opens to each of them and an outdoor recreation area. The pods have individual cells, three on each side and two on the ends as well as the restroom and shower area. These open off the Day Room area. There are maintenance access doors, which are locked, by each cell. A passageway leads to Section II, also providing access to a classroom in between sections.

Cameras are located to eliminate blind spots, while meeting the PREA Standards concerning the viewing of residents by opposite-gender staff. They record for two weeks, and audio upgrades are being requested.

AUDIT FINDINGS

Summary of Audit Findings:

The OAS will automatically calculate the number of standards exceeded, number of standards met, and the number of standards not met based on the auditor's compliance determinations. If relevant, the auditor should provide the list of standards exceeded and/or the list of standards not met (e.g. Standards Exceeded: 115.xx, 115.xx..., Standards Not Met: 115.yy, 115.yy). 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:	0
Number of standards met:	43
Number of standards not met:	0

The facility demonstrated compliance with all the Standards.

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: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Darrell B. Hester Juvenile Detention Center (henceforth, “Hester”) has a written policy mandating zero tolerance toward all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, and a policy outlining how it will implement the agency’s approach to preventing, detecting, and responding to sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The policy includes definitions of prohibited behaviors regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment, and it includes sanctions for those found to have participated in prohibited behaviors. The policy includes a description of agency strategies and responses to reduce and prevent sexual abuse and sexual harassment of residents. Cameron County Juvenile Justice Department (henceforth “Cameron County JJD” or “CCJJD”) employs and designates their Quality Assurance Director as the upper-level, agency-wide PREA Coordinator, who has sufficient time and authority to develop, implement, and oversee agency efforts to comply with the PREA Standards in the facility. Also, the Facility Director serves as the on-site PREA Compliance Manager in the facility.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with PREA Coordinator and Compliance Manager; Agency policy mandating zero tolerance toward all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in facilities operated directly or under contract (PREA 2020 115.311); and Agency Organization Chart. NOTE: The PREA Operating Policy and Procedure section numbers for the Agency mirror the PREA Standards’ numbers. Policy citations will be PREA 2020 and the appropriate Standard, where PREA 2020 is the Agency PREA Policy Operating Policy and Procedure designation.</p>

115.312	Contracting with other entities for the confinement of residents
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Cameron County JJD has a number of contracts for the confinement of residents in other facilities. These contracts require compliance with PREA. When CCJJD contracts out for the confinement of its juveniles, it requires PREA compliance, and it monitors for this compliance.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interview with the Contract Administrator; Contracts for the confinement of residents; Private Service Provider Contractual Monitoring and Evaluation Report. PREA monitoring was reviewed for the Hector Garza Center, Garza County Juvenile, The Oaks, AMI Kids, Harris County Burnett Bayland Residential Treatment Center, Hays County, Nueces County, Lubbock County, Pegasus Schools, Rite of Passage, and Victoria County. The Audit Team also reviewed documentation initiating monitoring with contracts that are due for monitoring before the end of the year.</p>

115.313	Supervision and monitoring
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility develops, documents, and makes its best efforts to comply with a staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing, and, where applicable, video monitoring, to protect residents against abuse. In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, it takes into consideration: Generally accepted juvenile detention and residential practices; Any judicial findings of inadequacy; Any findings of inadequacy from Federal investigative agencies; Any findings of inadequacy from internal or external oversight bodies; All components of the facility’s physical plant (including “blind spots” or areas where staff or residents may be isolated); The composition of the resident population; The number and placement of supervisory staff; Institution programs occurring on a particular shift; Any applicable State or local laws, regulations, or standards; The prevalence of substantiated and unsubstantiated incidents of sexual abuse; and Any other relevant factors.</p> <p>At least once every year, the agency, 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 facility requires that intermediate-level or higher-level staff conduct unannounced rounds to identify and deter staff sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The facility documents unannounced rounds on all shifts, with a prohibition against staff alerting other staff of the conduct of the rounds. The previous Staffing Plan was based on an average daily population of 61 although the average since the last audit has been 44. The COVID-19 pandemic has further reduced the population. The population the day of the audit was 15.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with Facility Director, PREA Coordinator, and intermediate-level staff; Documentation of staffing plan development process; Staffing plan; Documentation of deviations from the staffing plan, with written justifications for all such deviations; Documentation of Annual Reviews and Staffing Plan update; Policy requiring unannounced rounds (PREA 2020 115.313); and Documentation that unannounced rounds were conducted, and that those rounds covered all shifts. The Agency was under funding shortages, hindering them from reaching their staffing goals, even before the COVID-19 Pandemic, which has made it worse in some ways, although the population has decreased. They have been documenting their concerns for the County. The current Staffing Plan explains, “As part of the COVID precautions, the detention population is reduced in order to minimize the spread. Also, the County mandated a 10% cut from all departments in lieu of the fiscal shortfall caused by the pandemic. The Detention Center is adhering to 1:8 ratio during program hours and 1:16 during non-program hours, maintaining compliance since March 23, 2020 to present. Once population increases and after the pandemic is over, the department will derive contingencies to meet the 1-8 ratio by creating an intake division with Juvenile Probation Officers (JPOs) who will be dual certified (JPO & JSO) and will be within sight and sound for detention supervision ratio. Also, the department will request funding from the Juvenile Board of Commissioner’s Court in order to meet the PREA ratio requirements.” Given the current compliance, and the ongoing efforts to maintain compliance, the facility is technically compliant with this Standard, although they have not been able to maintain full compliance with the required ratios for the entirety of the past 12 months.</p>



115.315	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility does not conduct cross-gender strip searches of residents, nor cross-gender visual body cavity searches. Interviews indicate this policy has not been violated, and that there have not been exigent circumstances requiring cross-gender searches. The facility policy requires that all cross-gender strip searches, cross-gender visual body cavity searches, and cross-gender pat-down searches be documented and justified, if they occur. Policies and procedures require staff of the opposite gender to announce their presence when entering a resident housing unit or area where residents are likely to be showering, performing bodily functions, or changing clothing. The facility has a policy prohibiting staff from searching or physically examining a transgender or intersex resident for the sole purpose of determining the resident's genital status. No such searches occurred in the past 12 months.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with staff and residents. Policies and procedures governing: (1) Pat-down searches of residents; (2) strip searches and visual body cavity searches; and (3) cross-gender viewing. Policy prohibiting staff from searching or physically examining a transgender or intersex resident for the sole purpose of determining the resident's genital status, found in PREA 2020 115.315. Training curricula regarding cross-gender pat-down searches and searches of transgender and intersex residents. Staff training logs. Interviews indicate this policy has not been violated, and that there have not been exigent circumstances requiring cross-gender searches.</p> <p>Interviews conducted (of both staff and residents), and documentation received, indicate staff are properly trained, youth are aware of cross-gendered staff, and residents feel they are accorded the proper respect and privacy during searches and at times when they may be changing clothing, going to the bathroom, or showering.</p>

115.316	Residents with disabilities and residents who are limited English proficient
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The agency has established procedures to provide disabled residents with 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. The agency has established procedures to provide residents with limited English proficiency 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. Agency policy prohibits use of 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 B 115.364, or the investigation of the resident's allegations. In the past 12 months, there have been no instances where resident interpreters, readers, or other types of resident assistants have been used and it was not the case that an extended delay in obtaining another interpreter could compromise the resident's safety, the performance of first-response duties under B 115.364, or the investigation of the resident's allegations.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with Agency Head, residents, and randomly selected staff. Policies and procedures regarding equal opportunity of disabled residents, and of residents with limited English proficiency to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Policy prohibiting use of resident interpreters, resident readers, or other types of resident assistants, except in limited circumstances found in PREA 2020 115.316. Contracts with interpreters or other professionals hired to ensure effective communication with residents. Written materials used for effective communication about PREA with residents with disabilities, limited reading skills, or limited English proficiency. Documentation of staff training on PREA-compliant practices for residents with disabilities. Staff and residents indicate the agency will go the extra mile to assist anyone to understand what they need to comprehend, in order to be safe and exercise their rights. Staff interviews and facility policy reviews indicate these efforts have been required and practiced in the Cameron County JJD culture for a number of years.</p>

115.317	Hiring and promotion decisions
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The agency policy prohibits hiring or promoting anyone who may have contact with residents, and prohibits enlisting the 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); 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 Has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in paragraph (a)(2) of this section. The agency policy requires the consideration of 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. The facility's policy requires that, before it hires any new employees who may have contact with residents, it conducts criminal background record checks; consults any child abuse registry maintained by the State or locality in which the employee would work; and 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. All staff and contractors who may have contact with residents have had criminal background record checks. The Agency policy requires that criminal background record checks be conducted, at least every five years, of current employees and contractors who may have contact with residents; or, that a system is in place for otherwise capturing such information for current employees. The Agency policy states that material omissions regarding such misconduct, or the provision of materially false information, shall be grounds for termination. 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.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with Human Resources staff. Policies on promotions and hiring of employees and contractors, including policies governing criminal background checks and checks of child abuse registries, of current employees and contractors who may have contact with residents (PREA 2020 115.317). 6 randomly selected files of the 28 personnel hired in the past 12 months, to verify that the Cameron County JJD has completed checks consistent with PREA Standards. 3 randomly selected records of background checks of 5 contractors who might have contact with residents. Additional documentation of background records checks, checks of child abuse registries, and of rechecks for current employees at five-year intervals. These files, along with policies and interviews conducted, verified full compliance with this Standard.</p>

115.318	Upgrades to facilities and technologies
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The agency or facility has not acquired a new facility, nor made a substantial expansion or modification to existing facilities, since August 20, 2012. Documentation provided, as well as interviews with administrators, indicate PREA will be considered when updates occur in the future. The video monitoring system was demonstrated during the Site Review and is expandable.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with Agency Head and Facility Director; demonstration of video monitoring system; and review of Staffing Plan and, other documentation addressing supervision and facility technologies.</p>

115.321	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The agency is responsible for conducting administrative sexual abuse investigations, including resident-on-resident sexual abuse or staff sexual misconduct. Since the agency (Cameron County Juvenile Justice Department) operates multiple facilities on the same campus, it assigns an investigator from a different facility to investigate allegations at this facility. Each facility has trained Investigators on staff who are able to perform administrative investigations. The Audit Team is auditing all three of these facilities. The Audit Team has reviewed any investigations which were conducted in the past 12 months for any of these three facilities. In that review, it was found that the facilities have followed the minimum applicable agency protocols and PREA Standards. Local law enforcement (Cameron County Sheriff) and TJJD have the criminal investigative responsibilities. SANE's and SAFE's are available through the Emergency Room of Valley Baptist Medical Center. As verified by policy and interviews, all residents who experience sexual abuse have access to off-site forensic medical examinations at the Valley Baptist Medical Center in Harlingen, TX. These examinations are offered without financial cost to the victim. When SANEs or SAFEs are not available, a qualified medical practitioner performs forensic medical examinations. The facility documents efforts to provide SANEs or SAFEs. No forensic medical exams have been performed during the past 12 months, because there were no allegations indicating an exam. The facility attempts to make a victim advocate from a rape crisis center available to the victim, in person or by other means, and these efforts are documented. This advocacy is provided through the Cameron County Children's Advocacy Center (Monica's and Maggie's House).</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with randomly selected staff and SANE Nurse. Review of investigation. Review and verification of MOU with Children's Advocacy Center. Review of policy (PREA 2020 115.321) and Coordinated Response Plan.</p>

115.322	Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investigations
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility, as well as the Texas Department of Juvenile Justice, ensures that an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The agency has a policy requiring that allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment will be referred for investigation to an agency with the legal authority to conduct criminal investigations, including the agency if it conducts its own investigations, unless the allegation does not involve potentially criminal behavior. The agency documents all referrals of allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment for criminal investigation.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with Agency Head and Investigative staff; policies and procedures governing investigations of allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment found in PREA 2020 115.322; documentation of report of sexual abuse and/or harassment; documentation of investigation, including full investigative report with findings; and documentation of referral of allegation for investigation.</p>

115.331	Employee training
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>As verified by interviews with staff, the facility trains all employees who may have contact with residents on the following required matters: zero-tolerance policy for sexual abuse and sexual harassment; how to fulfill responsibilities under agency sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, reporting, and response policies and procedures; residents' right to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment; the right of residents and employees to be free from retaliation for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment; the dynamics of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in juvenile facilities; the common reactions of juvenile victims of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; how to detect and respond to signs of threatened and actual sexual abuse; how to distinguish between consensual sexual contact and sexual abuse between residents; how to avoid inappropriate relationships with residents; how to communicate effectively and professionally with residents, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender nonconforming residents; and how to comply with relevant laws related to mandatory reporting of sexual abuse to outside authorities, including relevant laws regarding the applicable age of consent. Such training is tailored to the gender, as well as any unique needs and attributes of residents. In the past 12 months, all staff employed by the facility, who may have contact with residents, were trained in PREA requirements. Between trainings, the agency provides employees with refresher information about current policies regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment. This refresher information is shared via handouts and staff meetings.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with randomly selected staff; training policy and/or procedures (PREA 2020 115.331); staff training curricula; and records of 10 randomly selected staff. The agency documents that employees understand the training they have received through employee signature. This verification was provided to the Audit Team, and staff interviewed indicated a general understanding of the information.</p>

115.332	Volunteer and contractor training
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Volunteers and contractors who will have contact with residents have been trained on their responsibilities under the agency policies and procedures regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, and response. The level and type of training provided to volunteers and contractors is based both on the services they will provide, and on the level of contact they will have with residents. All volunteers and contractors who will have contact with residents will have been notified of the agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment, and they will have been informed as to how to report such incidents. The agency maintains documentation confirming that volunteers/contractors understand the training they have received, and this was reviewed by the Audit Team.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with contractor and volunteer; training curriculum for volunteers and contractors who have contact with residents; samples of training records for volunteers and contractors who have contact with residents; and PREA 2020 115.332.</p>

115.333	Resident education
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility's residents receive information, at the time of intake, about the zero-tolerance policy of the agency, and about how to report incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse or sexual harassment. The facility provides resident education in formats accessible to all residents, including those who are limited English proficient, deaf, visually impaired, or otherwise disabled, as well as to residents who have limited reading skills. In addition to providing such education, the agency ensures that key information is continuously and readily available or visible to residents through posters, resident handbooks, or other written formats. All 553 residents admitted during the past 12 months have received this information in an age-appropriate fashion, according to interviews and information provided. Many have received the information at previous placements, as well. The agency maintains documentation of resident participation in PREA education sessions, and this documentation was provided to the Audit Team. The agency ensures that key information about the agency's PREA policies is continuously and readily available or visible through posters, resident handbooks, or other written formats, as verified in interviews of staff and residents, and observed by the Audit Team during the Site Review. Interpreters / translators can be secured, if other languages are needed. In addition to notices given about specifically reporting sexual abuse and harassment, the residents are notified of their rights to report any matter.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with Intake Staff and residents. Agency policy governing PREA education of residents (PREA 2020 115.333). Intake records of 10 randomly selected residents entering the facility in the past 12 months. Resident educational materials in formats accessible to those who are limited English proficient, deaf, visually impaired, or otherwise disabled, as well as to those who have limited reading skills. Records corroborating that residents in the past 12 months have received comprehensive, age-appropriate PREA education within 10 days of intake. Education and informational materials (posters, resident handbook, etc.) in compliance with the Standard.</p>

115.334	Specialized training: Investigations
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility does perform its own administrative investigations. However, it does not perform criminal investigations. The State of Texas requires that investigators are trained in conducting sexual abuse investigations in confinement settings. Specialized training includes 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. Investigating agencies are required to maintain documentation that agency investigators have completed the required specialized training in conducting sexual abuse investigations. Documentation reviewed, and interviews with administrators, verify that the facility does investigate sexual abuse allegations at this time, and cooperates with authorities, and collects information needed to make determinations regarding resident treatment and safety.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interview with Investigative staff; Agency training policy for Investigative staff (PREA 2020 115.334); Investigator training curriculum; and documentation that Agency Investigators have completed required training. Although the Audit indicated compliance with this Standard, during the 75 days after the On-Site Audit, the PREA Standards relating to investigations were reviewed again by investigative staff.</p>

115.335	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The agency has a written policy related to the training of medical and mental health practitioners who work regularly in its facilities. CCJJD maintains documentation that medical and mental health practitioners who regularly work with CCJJD have completed the required specialized training. The training includes all the provisions of this Standard. No medical care practitioner employed by CCJJD will conduct forensic examinations without first receiving additional appropriate training and providing documentation of such training to the CCJJD.</p> <p>Analysis: The evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with Medical and Mental Health Staff; policy and procedures governing training of medical and mental health care practitioners around sexual abuse and sexual harassment (PREA 2020 115.335); training curriculum; and documentation showing that 10 medical and mental health care practitioners have completed the required training.</p>

115.341	Obtaining information from residents
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility has a policy that requires screening for risk of sexual abuse victimization or sexual abusiveness toward other residents, upon admission to the facility or transfer from another facility. The policy requires that residents be screened for risk of sexual victimization or risk of sexually abusing other residents within 72 hours of their intake. Such assessments shall be conducted using an objective screening instrument. At a minimum, the agency shall attempt to ascertain information about: (1) Prior sexual victimization or abusiveness; (2) 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; (3) Current charges and offense history; (4) Age; (5) Level of emotional and cognitive development; (6) Physical size and stature; (7) Mental illness or mental disabilities; (8) Intellectual or developmental disabilities; (9) Physical disabilities; (10) The resident's own perception of vulnerability; and (11) Any other specific information about individual residents that may indicate heightened needs for supervision, additional safety precautions, or separation from certain other residents. This information is ascertained through conversations with the resident during the intake process and medical and mental health screenings; during classification assessments; and by reviewing court records, case files, facility behavioral records, and other relevant documentation from the resident's files. Controls are in place 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.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews were conducted with Risk Screening staff, with residents, with the PREA Coordinator, and with the Compliance Manager. Agency policy and procedures (PREA 2020, 115.341) governing screening of residents upon admission to a facility, or transfer to another facility, and during reassessments were reviewed. Screening instrument used to determine risk of victimization or abusiveness was reviewed. And 10 randomly selected records of 552 residents admitted to the facility, who remained 72 hours or more, within the past 12 months were reviewed for evidence of appropriate screening within 72 hours.</p>

115.342	Placement of residents
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The agency and facility use information from the risk screening required by § 115.341 to inform housing, bed, work, education, and program assignments. The facility prohibits placing lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex residents in particular housing, bed, or other assignments solely on the basis of such identification or status. The facility prohibits considering lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex identification or status as an indicator of likelihood of being sexually abusive. The agency or facility makes housing and program assignments for transgender or intersex residents in the facility on a case-by-case basis. The facility uses all information obtained pursuant to § 115.341 and subsequently to make housing, bed, program, education, and work assignments for residents, with the goal of keeping all residents safe and free from sexual abuse. Residents may be isolated from others only as a last resort, only 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. Placement and programming assignments for each transgender or intersex resident shall be reassessed at least twice each year to review any threats to safety experienced by the resident.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews conducted with the PREA Coordinator and the Compliance Manager, Risk Screening Staff, and residents. Staff familiarity with facility policies (PREA 2020 115.342) that govern isolation of residents (and that prohibit placing lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex residents in particular housing, bed, or other assignments solely on the basis of such identification or status; and that prohibit considering lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex identification or status as an indicator of likelihood of being sexually abusive) was assessed during interviews.</p>

115.351	Resident reporting
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The agency has established procedures allowing for multiple internal ways for residents to report privately to agency officials about sexual abuse or sexual harassment, retaliation by other residents or staff for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment, and staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to such incidents. The facility provides 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 facility. This is accomplished through the TJJD hotlines. At this time, there are no residents detained solely for civil immigration purposes. The agency has a policy mandating that staff accept reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment made verbally, in writing, anonymously, and from third parties. By the end of their shifts, staff are required to document verbal reports. The facility does provide residents with access to tools to make written reports of sexual abuse or sexual harassment, retaliation by other residents or staff for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment, and staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to such incidents. The agency has also established procedures for staff to privately report sexual abuse and sexual harassment of residents.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: (1) Interviews with all the following people: randomly selected staff and residents; the PREA Compliance Manager and other administrators. (2) Reviews of all of the following policies and agreements: resident reporting policy; outside entity responsible for taking reports; policy mandating that staff accept reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment made verbally, in writing, anonymously and from third parties; and policy (PREA 2020 115.351) and documentation (staff handbook, postings, and training curriculum) outlining procedures for staff to privately report sexual abuse and sexual harassment of residents. (3) Test of the reporting system and verification from residents and staff that phones are in good working order, and that materials for making written reports are readily available to residents who will be provided with any assistance needed in making a report.</p>

115.352	Exhaustion of administrative remedies
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility has an administrative procedure for dealing with resident grievances regarding sexual abuse. The facility policy allows a resident to submit a grievance regarding an allegation of sexual abuse at any time, regardless of when the incident is alleged to have occurred. There is no time limit for a resident to submit a grievance regarding an allegation of sexual abuse, and the resident is not required to use an informal grievance process to resolve, nor otherwise to attempt to resolve with staff, an alleged incident of sexual abuse. The facility's policy allows a resident to submit a grievance alleging sexual abuse without submitting it to the staff member who is the subject of the complaint. The facility's procedure requires that a resident grievance alleging sexual abuse not be referred to the staff member who is the subject of the complaint. The facility has policy that requires that a decision on the merits of any grievance or portion of a grievance alleging sexual abuse be made within 90 days of the filing of the grievance. The facility notifies the resident in writing when the agency files for an extension, including notice of the date by which a decision will be made. The facility policy permits third parties, including fellow residents, staff members, family members, attorneys, and outside advocates, to assist residents in filing requests for administrative remedies relating to allegations of sexual abuse, and to file such requests on behalf of residents. If the resident declines to have third-party assistance in filing a grievance alleging sexual abuse, the agency policy requires that they document the resident's decision to decline. Policy allows legal guardians of residents to file a grievance, including appeals, on behalf of such resident, regardless of whether the resident agrees to having the grievance filed on their behalf. The agency has a policy for filing an emergency grievance alleging that a resident is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse. These emergency grievances require an initial response within 48 hours and that a final agency decision be issued within 5 days. Interviews conducted, and documentation received, indicate there have been no grievances alleging substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse that were filed in the past 12 months. The agency has a policy that limits its ability to discipline a resident for filing a grievance alleging sexual abuse to occasions where the agency demonstrates that the resident filed the grievance in bad faith.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with residents, including some who have filed grievances (although the grievances did not relate to sexual abuse); Policy or procedure regarding resident grievances of sexual abuse (PREA 2020 115.352); documentation of grievances; policy and procedures for filing an emergency grievance alleging that a resident is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse (PREA 2020 115.352); policy limiting the agency's ability to discipline a resident for filing a grievance related to alleged sexual abuse to occasions where the agency demonstrates that the resident filed the grievance in bad faith (PREA 2020 115.352); and the Resident Handbook. A triangulation of evidence indicates that the grievance system is working at the agency and that it complies with this Standard.</p>

115.353	Resident access to outside confidential support services and legal representation
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	<p data-bbox="252 297 523 331">Auditor Discussion</p> <p data-bbox="252 376 1481 745">The facility provides residents access to outside victim advocates for emotional support services related to sexual abuse by providing, posting, or otherwise making accessible, the mailing addresses and telephone numbers (including toll-free hotline numbers where available) of local, State, or national victim advocacy or rape crisis organizations. The facility has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Cameron County Children’s Advocacy Center / Monica’s and Maggie’s House (1390 W. Expressway 83; San Benito, Texas 78586; Phone: 956-361-3313). This Center is a member of the Children’s Advocacy Centers of Texas (http://www.cactx.org). The Audit Team has a copy of this MOU and has interviewed the Director of the Advocacy Center by phone.</p> <p data-bbox="252 768 1481 1137">Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with randomly selected residents, with the PREA Compliance Manager, and with the Facility Director; Policies and/or procedures governing resident access to outside victim advocates for emotional support services related to sexual abuse (PREA 2020 115.353); Resident handbooks, or written materials prepared for residents, pertinent to reporting sexual abuse and access to support services; MOUs with community service providers who are able to provide residents with emotional support services related to sexual abuse; and policies governing residents’ access to their attorneys, other legal representation, and parents or legal guardians.</p>

115.354	Third-party reporting
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility provides a method to receive third-party reports of resident sexual abuse or sexual harassment by phone, email, in writing, and by personal contact. The facility publicly distributes information on how to report resident sexual abuse or sexual harassment on behalf of residents. PREA Operating Policy and Procedure 115.354, and the Agency website, provide methods for third-party reporting. In addition to being able to report to any staff member, third party reporting of any sexual abuse and sexual harassment on behalf of a resident can be conducted online and/or by telephone: juvenileprea@co.cameron.tx.us and the toll-free hotline 1-877-786-7263.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Publicly distributed information on how to report sexual abuse or sexual harassment on behalf of residents. Third-party reporting can be particularly difficult during the COVID-19 pandemic, due to the lack of face-to-face visits with family and others who would serve as third-party reporters. Interviews with staff and residents indicated, however, that visits do occur by video and telephone, and that the facility respects the privacy of residents during these visits. Family members have been informed regarding how to make reports. The Audit Team checked the reporting system and determined that it is working and able to receive any third-party reports that come in. https://www.cameroncounty.us/prea/, Policy 115.354, and the brochure “A Guide to Residents’ Rights and Reporting Under PREA” also provide evidence to support the finding that the facility is compliant with this Standard. In addition, when visits do occur in person, signage and brochures are posted throughout the facility, including in the lobby and Visitation areas and medical and educational areas, in both English and Spanish, to promote public awareness.</p>

115.361	Staff and agency reporting duties
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Interviews with staff and administrators, as well as a review of policy, verify that all staff are required to report immediately: 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. They also must report any retaliation against residents or staff who reported such an incident. They must report staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to an incident or retaliation. The agency requires all staff to comply with any applicable mandatory child abuse reporting laws. Agency policy prohibits staff from 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, apart from reporting to designated supervisors or officials and designated State or local service agencies. Medical and mental health professionals are required to report sexual abuse to designated supervisors, as well as to the designated State or local services agency where required by mandatory reporting laws. Such practitioners shall be required to inform residents, at the initiation of services, of their duty to report and the limitations of confidentiality. Upon receiving any allegation of sexual abuse, the facility head or his or her designee shall promptly report the allegation to the appropriate agency office and 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. If the alleged victim is under the guardianship of the child welfare system, the report is be made to the alleged victim's caseworker, instead of to the parents or legal guardians. If a juvenile court retains jurisdiction over the alleged victim, the facility head or designee will also report the allegation to the juvenile's attorney or other legal representative of record within 14 days of receiving the allegation. The facility shall report all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including third party and anonymous reports, for investigation.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with randomly selected staff, with medical staff, with mental health staff, with the PREA Compliance Manager, and with the Facility Director. And relevant policy, governing the reporting by staff of incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, and requiring all staff to comply with any applicable mandatory child abuse reporting laws (PREA 2020 115.361).</p>

115.362	Agency protection duties
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>When the agency or facility learns that a resident is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, it takes immediate action to protect the resident. Interviews indicate staff take this responsibility very seriously. In the past 12 months, there were no times the agency or facility determined that a resident was subject to substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with the Agency Head, with the Facility Director, and with randomly selected staff; and relevant policy governing the agency’s protection duties, when residents are subject to a significant risk of sexual abuse (PREA 2020 115.362). Interviews conducted, and documentation provided, indicate that the staff are trained, and that they respond appropriately, should they learn of such a risk.</p>

115.363	Reporting to other confinement facilities
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility’s policy requires that, upon receiving an allegation that a resident was sexually abused while confined at another facility, the Facility Director must notify the head of the facility where sexual abuse is alleged to have occurred, as well as notifying the appropriate investigative agency. In the past 12 months, no allegations have been received that a resident was abused while confined at another facility. The agency policy requires that the facility head provides such notification as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours after receiving the allegation. The agency or facility documents that it has provided such notification within 72 hours of receiving the allegation. Policy also requires that allegations received from other facilities/agencies are investigated in accordance with the PREA Standards.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with the Agency Head and the Facility Director; Agency policy regarding reporting of allegations of sexual abuse of residents while confined at another facility; and Agency policy requiring that allegations of sexual abuse of residents received from other agencies or facilities are investigated in accordance with the PREA Standards (PREA 2020 115.363). The Facility Director, PREA Coordinator, and trained Investigator all understand and are ready to fulfill these obligations.</p>

115.364	Staff first responder duties
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The agency/facility has a First Responder policy for allegations of sexual abuse. The agency policy requires that, upon learning of an allegation that a resident was sexually abused, the first security staff member to respond to the report shall be required to: preserve and protect any crime scene until appropriate steps could be taken to collect any evidence; 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; 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.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with staff, including some who have acted as First Responders; and interviews with randomly selected staff, along with Agency policy governing staff First Responder duties (PREA 2020 115.364). Training logs and training curriculum indicate all duties are covered. Each First Responder has been given a card to carry, enumerating the steps to take in an incident. Still, during interviews, staff were often uncertain regarding one or more of the duties. They were required to receive additional training during the 75 days after the On-Site Audit. Verification of this additional training was provided to the Audit Team.</p>

115.365	Coordinated response
	<p data-bbox="252 170 896 203">Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard</p> <p data-bbox="252 248 523 282">Auditor Discussion</p> <p data-bbox="252 327 1477 573">The facility has developed a written institutional plan to coordinate actions, taken among staff First Responders, medical and mental health practitioners, investigators, and facility leadership, in response to an incident of sexual abuse. This plan was provided to the Audit Team, and it was covered in training. The First Responder Card, mentioned in the previous section, serves as an abbreviated version of a portion of the Coordinated Response Plan, and is distributed widely among staff.</p> <p data-bbox="252 584 1477 786">Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: An interview with the Facility Director, and a review of the Facility’s Coordinated Response Plan. The CRP was updated during the 75 days after the On-Site Audit, and staff were trained regarding the plan. Verification of the training was provided to the Audit Team. These sources of information indicate a triangulation of evidence that the facility is compliant with this Standard.</p>

115.366	Preservation of ability to protect residents from contact with abusers
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility is not part of a collective bargaining agreement. It maintains its ability to protect residents from contact with abusers.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: An interview with the Agency Head. No evidence was found during the Audit to indicate lack of compliance with this Standard.</p>

115.367	Agency protection against retaliation
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility has a policy to protect all residents and staff, or any cooperating individual who reports sexual abuse or sexual harassment or cooperates with sexual abuse or sexual harassment investigations, from retaliation by other residents or staff. The PREA Coordinator and the PREA Compliance Manager are charged with monitoring retaliation at the facility, with support from the supervisors. They monitor the conduct or treatment of residents or staff who reported sexual abuse, and of residents who were reported to have suffered sexual abuse, to see if there are any changes that may suggest possible retaliation by residents or staff. They examine resident disciplinary reports, housing, or program changes, or negative performance reviews, or reassignments of staff. They understand that their responsibilities require them to continue such monitoring beyond 90 days, if the initial monitoring indicates a continuing need. In the case of residents, such monitoring will also include periodic status checks. The agency/facility acts promptly to remedy any such retaliation.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: (1) Interviews with each of the following: The Agency Head, the Facility Director, staff responsible for retaliation monitoring, and residents. (2) Agency policy protecting all residents and staff who report sexual abuse or sexual harassment, or who cooperate with sexual abuse or sexual harassment investigations, from retaliation by other residents or staff, including policies on the monitoring of residents and staff following a report, and the Agency response to suspected retaliation (PREA 2020 115.367). (3) Documentation of monitoring efforts conducted during the past 12 months.</p>

115.368	Post-allegation protective custody
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility has a policy that residents who allege to have suffered sexual abuse may only be placed in isolation as a last resort, only if less restrictive measures are inadequate to keep them and other residents safe, and only until an alternative means of keeping all residents safe can be arranged. The facility policy requires that residents who are placed in isolation specifically because they allege to have suffered sexual abuse have access to legally required educational programming, special education services, and daily large-muscle exercise.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: (1) Interviews with each of the following: the Facility Director; staff who supervise residents who have been isolated (even if not for sexual abuse); medical staff; mental health staff; and residents. The Auditor interviewed a couple of residents who had been isolated from other residents in the past. They report getting medical and mental health care while there. Interviews indicate that residents are usually isolated for less than one day, and that they get all services and exercise while there. Residents would also be able to make reports while separated from other residents. (2) Facility policy that residents who allege to have suffered sexual abuse may only be isolated as a last resort, only if less restrictive measures are inadequate to keep them and other residents safe, and only until an alternative means of keeping all residents safe can be arranged (PREA 2020 115.368). (3) Forms completed when residents are isolated.</p>

115.371	Criminal and administrative agency investigations
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility has a policy related to criminal and administrative agency investigations. All sections of this Standard have been added to the agency’s written policies. The agency does not terminate an investigation solely because the source of the allegation recants the allegation. Substantiated allegations of conduct that appear to be criminal are referred for prosecution. The agency retains all written reports pertaining to the administrative or criminal investigation of alleged sexual abuse or sexual harassment for as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or employed by the agency, plus five years. When the quality of evidence appears to support criminal prosecution, the investigative agency will conduct compelled interviews only after consulting with prosecutors as to whether compelled interviews may be an obstacle for subsequent criminal prosecution. The credibility of an alleged victim, suspect, or witness will be assessed on an individual basis; it will not be determined by the person’s status as resident or staff. No polygraphs are required. Administrative investigations conducted by the agency include an effort to determine whether staff actions or failures to act contributed to the abuse. Such investigations will 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. To reduce bias and increase professionalism, the trained investigators for all programs under the agency umbrella are assigned to investigate programs other than their own. Criminal investigations are completed by the Sheriff and/or TJJJ. They will be documented in a written report, which will contain a thorough description of physical, testimonial, and documentary evidence, and which will include attached copies of all documentary evidence, where feasible. Substantiated allegations of conduct that appears to be criminal shall be referred for prosecution. The agency will retain all written reports 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. The departure of the alleged abuser or victim from the employment or control of the facility or agency will not provide a basis for terminating an investigation. When outside agencies investigate sexual abuse, the facility will cooperate with outside investigators and will endeavor to remain informed about the progress of the investigation.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with Investigative staff, with the Facility Director, with the PREA Coordinator, and with the Compliance Manager; Agency/Facility policies related to criminal and administrative agency investigations (PREA 2020 115.371); Training records for Investigators; and investigative reports / records. Since investigations are rare, and to stay familiar with the provisions, investigators reviewed this, and the other PREA Standards related to investigations, during the 75 days after the On-Site Audit. A triangulation of evidence indicates the facility understands and follows this Standard.</p>

115.372	Evidentiary standard for administrative investigations
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Written policy and interviews with administrators verify that the agency imposes a standard of a preponderance of the evidence or a lower standard of proof when determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with Investigative staff; policy imposing a standard of a preponderance of the evidence or a lower standard of proof for determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated (PREA 2020 115.372); and documentation of administrative findings in the investigations completed, for standard of proof.</p>

115.373	Reporting to residents
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Policy requires that any resident who alleges that she suffered sexual abuse is informed, verbally or in writing, as to whether the allegation has been determined to be substantiated, unsubstantiated, or unfounded following an investigation by the agency. If an outside entity conducts such investigations, the agency requests the relevant information from the investigative entity, in order to inform the resident of the outcome of the investigation.</p> <p>Following a resident's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, the facility subsequently informs the resident (unless the facility has determined that the allegation is unfounded) whenever: The staff member is no longer posted within the resident's unit; The staff member is no longer employed at the facility; The agency learns that the staff member has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility; or The agency learns that the staff member has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility. Following a resident's allegation that she has been sexually abused by another resident in an agency facility, the agency subsequently informs the alleged victim whenever: The agency learns that the alleged abuser has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility; or the agency learns that the alleged abuser has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility. The agency has a policy that all notifications to residents described under this Standard are documented.</p>

115.376	Disciplinary sanctions for staff
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility's staff are subject to disciplinary sanctions, up to and including termination, for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies. No staff from Hester were alleged, in the past 12 months, to have violated CCJD sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies. Disciplinary sanctions for violations of agency policies relating to sexual abuse or sexual harassment (other than actually engaging in sexual abuse) are 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. 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, are reported to law enforcement agencies, unless the activity was clearly not criminal, and to any relevant licensing bodies. In the past 12 months, there have been no staff from the facility who have been reported to law enforcement or licensing boards following their termination (or resignation prior to termination) for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Staff disciplinary policy (PREA 2020 115.376); interviews with administrators and staff; training curriculum; and randomly selected employee files. No evidence was found to indicate lack of compliance with this Standard.</p>

115.377	Corrective action for contractors and volunteers
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Agency policy requires that any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse be reported to law enforcement agencies, unless the activity was clearly not criminal, and to relevant licensing bodies. Agency policy requires that any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse be prohibited from contact with residents. In the past 12 months, no contractors or volunteers have been reported to law enforcement agencies and relevant licensing bodies for engaging in sexual abuse of residents. The facility takes appropriate remedial measures, and it considers whether to prohibit further contact with residents in the case of any other violation of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies by a contractor or volunteer.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with the Facility Director and those who supervise contractors, Agency policy (PREA 2020 115.377), and training curriculum. Although there were no contractors or volunteers who engaged in sexual abuse, and therefore no related files to review, interviews conducted during the Audit, training received by contractors and volunteers, and policies, provide a triangulation of evidence that the facility is compliant with this Standard.</p>

115.378	Interventions and disciplinary sanctions for residents
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Policy review and interviews indicate: Residents are subject to disciplinary sanctions only pursuant to a formal disciplinary process following a criminal finding of guilt for resident-on-resident sexual abuse. There was one finding of resident-on-resident sexual abuse that occurred at the facility in the past 12 months. In the event a disciplinary sanction for resident-on resident sexual abuse results in the isolation of a resident, residents in Isolation receive daily visits from a medical or mental health care clinician, and they have access to other programs and work opportunities to the extent possible. No residents have been placed in Isolation as a disciplinary sanction for resident-on resident sexual abuse in the past 12 months. The facility offers therapy, counseling, or other interventions designed to address and correct the underlying reasons or motivations for abuse. The facility considers whether to require the offending resident to participate in such interventions as a condition of access to any rewards-based behavior management system or other behavior-based incentives. Access to general programming or education is not conditional on participation in such interventions. The agency disciplines residents for sexual contact with staff only upon finding that the staff member did not consent to such contact. The facility prohibits disciplinary action for a report of sexual abuse made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief that the alleged conduct occurred, even if an investigation does not establish evidence enough to substantiate the allegation. The agency prohibits all sexual activity between residents and disciplines residents for such activity, but it is only if the agency determines that the activity is coerced that it deems such activity to constitute sexual abuse.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with medical staff and mental health staff; policy which states that residents are subject to disciplinary sanctions only pursuant to a formal disciplinary process following an administrative finding that the resident engaged in resident-on-resident sexual abuse (PREA 2020 115.378); documentation of substantiated Investigation conducted. Interviews, including interviews with residents, indicate that all residents have access to medical or mental health care, and other programs to the extent possible, regardless of whether the resident is receiving interventions or disciplinary sanctions. A triangulation of evidence indicates they are compliant with this Standard.</p>

115.381	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sexual abuse
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>All residents at this facility who have disclosed any prior sexual victimization during a screening pursuant to β115.341 are offered a follow-up meeting with a medical or mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening. In the past 12 months, all residents who stayed at the facility more than 14 days, regardless of disclosure for prior victimization during screening, were offered a follow-up meeting with a medical or mental health practitioner. This process is initiated upon admission to the facility. Medical and mental health staff maintain secondary materials documenting compliance with the above required services. All residents who have previously perpetrated sexual abuse, as indicated during the screening pursuant to β 115.341, are offered a follow-up meeting with a mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening. Mental health staff maintain secondary materials documenting compliance with the above required services.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with each of the following: residents; medical staff; mental health staff; and staff who perform Risk Screening. Policy on medical and mental health screening (PREA 2020 115.381). 10 random selections of medical and mental health secondary materials documenting compliance with required services.</p>

115.382	Access to emergency medical and mental health services
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Resident victims of sexual abuse receive timely, unimpeded access to emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services. The nature and scope of such services are determined by medical and mental health practitioners, in accordance with their professional judgment. Medical and mental health staff maintain secondary materials documenting the timeliness of emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services that were provided; the appropriate response by non-health staff in the event health staff are not present at the time the incident is reported; and the provision of appropriate and timely information and services concerning sexually transmitted infection prophylaxis. Residents are offered pregnancy tests, and they are given information about medical services. Treatment services are provided to every victim without financial cost, and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interviews with medical staff, with mental health staff, and with residents; policies and procedures regarding access to treatment services by resident victims of sexual abuse (PREA 2020 115.382); the Coordinated Response Plan; and confirmation of the availability of emergency services in the community.</p>

115.383	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility offers 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. Resident victims of sexual abuse while incarcerated are offered tests for sexually transmitted infections as medically appropriate. Treatment services are 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. Within 60 days of learning of such abuse history, the facility attempts to conduct a mental health evaluation of all known resident-on-resident abusers, and it offers treatment when deemed appropriate by mental health practitioners.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: interviews with medical staff, with mental health staff, and with residents; and policies and procedures governing ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers (PREA 2020 115.383).</p>

115.386	Sexual abuse incident reviews
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Hester conducts a sexual abuse Incident Review at the conclusion of every sexual abuse criminal or administrative investigation, unless the allegation has been determined to be unfounded; and it does so within 30 days of the conclusion of the investigation. The sexual abuse Incident Review team includes upper-level management officials and allows for input from line supervisors, investigators, and medical or mental health practitioners. The review team considers 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; or, gang affiliation; or was motivated or otherwise caused by other group dynamics at the facility; examines the area in the facility where the incident allegedly occurred to assess whether physical barriers in the area may enable abuse; assesses the adequacy of staffing levels in that area during different shifts; assesses whether monitoring technology should be deployed or augmented to supplement supervision by staff; and prepares a report of its findings, including but not necessarily limited to determinations made pursuant to this section, and any recommendations for improvement, and submits such report to the facility head and to the PREA Compliance Manager.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: interviews with the Facility Director, with the PREA Compliance Manager, and with Incident Review Team members; policies and procedures (PREA 2020 115.386) on conducting sexual abuse Incident Reviews; and documentation of a sexual abuse Incident Review that was conducted. These sources provide a triangulation of evidence of compliance with this Standard.</p>

115.387	Data collection
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>CCJJD collects accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse at facilities under its direct control, using a standardized instrument and set of definitions. The standardized instrument includes, at a minimum, the data necessary to answer all questions from the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Victimization conducted by the Department of Justice. The agency aggregates the incident-based sexual abuse data at least annually. The facility maintains, reviews, and collects data as needed from all available incident-based documents, including reports, investigation files, and sexual abuse incident reviews.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: the policy regarding sexual abuse data collection (PREA 2020 115.387); the set of definitions used for collecting data on sexual abuse allegations at facilities; and the data collection instrument used for collecting data on sexual abuse allegations at facilities. Although no incidents of sexual abuse were reported at Hester, the ongoing audits of the other agency facilities also informed the determination of compliance with this Standard.</p>

115.388	Data review for corrective action
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>CCJJD reviews 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, and training, including: Identifying problem areas; Taking corrective action on an ongoing basis; and Preparing an Annual Report of its findings from its data review and any corrective actions for each facility, as well as the agency as a whole. The Annual Report includes a comparison of the current year's data and corrective actions with those from prior years. Annual Reports provide an assessment of the agency's progress in addressing sexual abuse. CCJJD makes its Annual Report readily available to the public, at least annually. The Annual Reports are approved by the head of CCJJD. When the agency redacts material from an Annual Report for publication, the redactions are limited to specific materials where publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of the facility. During the 75 days after the On-Site Audit, the agency updated the Annual Report to include provisions of this Standard not in the previous reporting.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: interviews with the Agency Head, with the PREA Coordinator, and with the Compliance Manager; documentation of Corrective Action Plans; Annual Reports of findings from data reviews and any corrective actions; and the link to the website (https://www.cameroncounty.us/prea/) where the Annual Report is available.</p>

115.389	Data storage, publication, and destruction
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The facility ensures that incident-based and aggregate data are securely retained. Agency policy requires that aggregated sexual abuse data be made readily available to the public, at least annually, through the agency. Before making aggregated sexual abuse data publicly available, the agency removes all personal identifiers. The agency maintains sexual abuse data collected pursuant to 115.387 for at least 10 years after the date of initial collection. Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Interview with PREA Coordinator; Policy requiring that incident-based and aggregate data are securely retained; Policy requiring that aggregated sexual abuse data, from facilities under its direct control and from private facilities with which it contracts, be made readily available to the public at least annually through its website (PREA 2020 115.389); and the website (https://www.cameroncounty.us/prea/) which has this information publicly available.</p>

115.401	Frequency and scope of audits
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>The agency attempted to have an Audit completed during the first year of the audit cycle, but the COVID-19 pandemic interrupted those plans.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Details regarding when the Facility, and other facilities within the Agency, have had Audits. All Agency facilities were audited during the previous 3-year cycle. Although no facility was audited during the first year of the current audit cycle, all 3 are being completed during this, the second year of the current audit cycle, bringing the agency into full compliance.</p>

115.403	Audit contents and findings
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>During the 75 days after the On-Site Audit, the Agency posted the previous PREA Audit Final Report, which was the facility's first PREA Audit, on the agency's website.</p> <p>Analysis: Evidence used to determine compliance with this Standard includes: Details regarding the dates and the publicly accessible details of Agency and Facility Final Reports. The report was previously available upon request; but presently, it is available on the website, as required. The Agency demonstrates an understanding that PREA Audit Final Reports are required to be published in this manner.</p>

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; PREA coordinator	
	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 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" or areas where staff or residents may be isolated)?	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 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	yes

	and determining the need for video monitoring: The number and placement of supervisory staff?	
	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.)	yes
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	yes

	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?	
	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 with residents with disabilities including residents who: Have intellectual disabilities?	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: Have limited reading skills?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or	yes

	through methods that ensure effective communication with residents with disabilities including residents who: Who are blind or have low vision?	
115.316 (b)	Residents with disabilities and residents who are limited English proficient	
	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 limited English proficient	
	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.)	yes

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.)	yes
	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.)	yes
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.)	yes
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 investigations	
	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	
	<p>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))</p>	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).)	yes
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).)	yes
	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).)	yes
	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).)	yes
	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).)	yes
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).)	yes

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.)	na
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?)	yes
	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?)	yes
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.	no
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.)	yes
	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.)	yes
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.)	yes
	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.)	yes

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.)	yes
	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.)	yes
	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.)	yes

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.)	yes
	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.)	yes
	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.)	yes
	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.)	yes
	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.)	yes

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.)	yes
	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.)	yes
	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.)	yes
	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.)	yes
	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.)	yes
	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.)	yes
	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.)	yes
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.)	yes

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 services and legal representation	
	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 services and legal representation	
	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 services and legal representation	
	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).)	yes
	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).)	yes
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 investigations	
	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 sexual 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 sexual 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 services	
	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 services	
	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 services	
	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.)	yes
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.)	yes
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.)	na
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.)	na
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.)	no
	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.)	yes
	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