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COURT RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER**

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Annual PREA Review for Corrective Action pursuant to PREA standard 115.288

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The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2012 mandates that correctional facilities provide a copy of their annual review (PREA Standard 115.288) of all related PREA investigations inclusive of any potential problem areas and any and all corrective actions taken by the respective facility. The annual review considers the investigative reports, review team assessments and any other related information.

Based on the review of reported incidents we continue making changes to our policies to prevent, detect, or respond to sexual abuse and be in compliance with PREA Standards. When residents, third parties and anonymous reports are made the appropriate steps are immediately taken to secure all residents involved and provide them with appropriate services, and when necessary, re-classification. The matters continue to be investigated fully and findings were made within appropriate time frames.

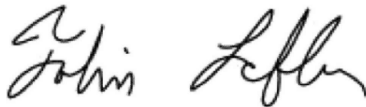
The memorandum of understanding are still active with the Brownsville Police Department, Friendship of Women (rape crisis staff), and Valley Aids council. An outside source was placed in our literature, posters and pamphlets to utilize as a third reporting party reporting to wit: Ms. Gloria Gonzalez, Budget Manager of Cameron/Willacy counties Community Supervision and Corrections Department.

In 2024, there was no sexual harassments reported and zero sexual assault incidents.

If any incidents are reported, the first responding staff will continue responding to each incident and intervene pursuant to policy. If they observe PREA related behavior, they are required to follow the required reporting system immediately following the reporting of the PREA incident. If medical/mental attention were necessary the protocols would be adhered to.

The Review Team met on July 8, 2024. The facility has a total of 39 cameras for video monitoring with 4 DVR's able to record up to 30 days. On July 8, 2024, the PREA team discussed two (2) blind spots needing cameras. They were both located on the side of the portable facing the field where residents walk during recreation and near the lawn equipment storage. A quote will be obtained with our new 2024-2025 budget for cameras and installation. In 2024, three (3) residential monitors were hired to provide continuous monitoring of the residents. These monitors went through PREA education and training prior to starting their position. We continue to use the National PREA Resource Center (<https://www.prearesourcecenter.org>) to obtain training material. In addition, we continue to utilize the pay increase approved by the Community Justice Assistance Division granted April 2, 2022, to residential monitors to reduce high turnover rate.

The facility is scheduled to be audited April 2025 by the U.S. Department of Justice. This will be the facility's third audit.



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