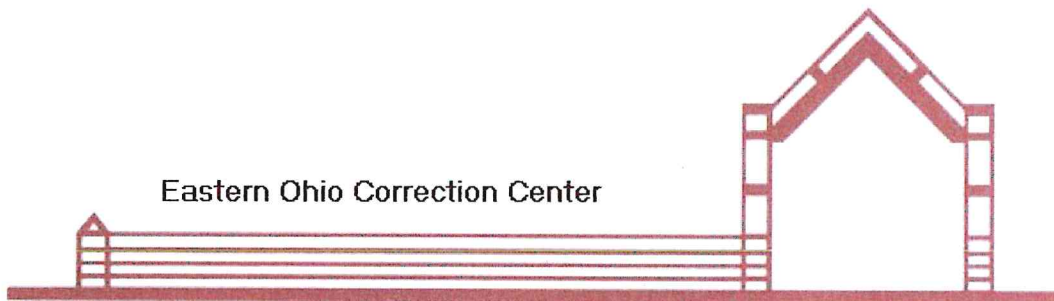


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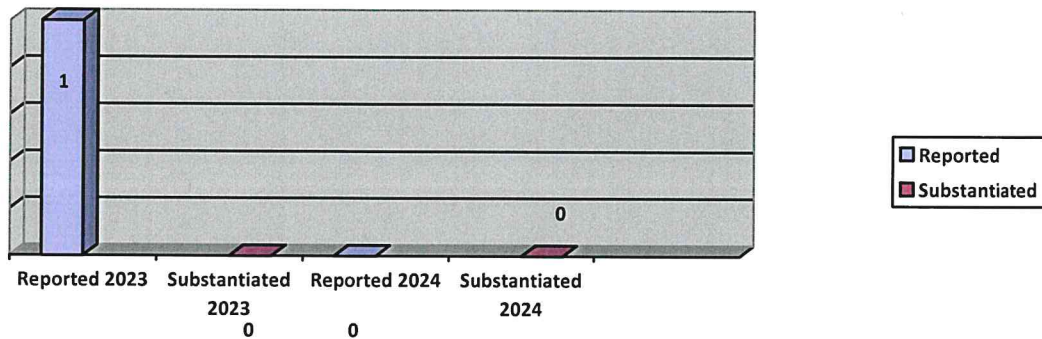
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Annual Report on Sexual Assault Data

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) requires the Eastern Ohio Correction Center to collect accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse and review this data in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of EOCC’s sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training. This includes:

- Identifying problem areas
- Taking corrective action on an ongoing basis
- Preparing an annual report of findings and corrective actions for each facility

The data in this report provides the number of reported and substantiated PREA allegations.



During FY 23, the facility had one allegation of staff-to-resident sexual abuse. The allegation was unsubstantiated; however, the facility terminated the employee on Code of Ethics violations. The facility did not have any allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment reported during FY 24. Residents, volunteers/contractors, and staff are trained on how to prevent, detect, and report any suspicion of violations to EOCC’s Zero Tolerance Policy.

Wintersville- PREA Investigations 2023				
Investigation Type	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Total
Resident-Resident Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0
Resident –Resident Sexual Abuse	0	0	0	0
Staff-Resident Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0
Staff-Resident Sexual Abuse	0	1	0	1
Volunteer/Contractor-Resident Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0
Volunteer/Contractor-Resident Sexual Abuse	0	0	0	0
Wintersville- PREA Investigations 2024				
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Staff-Resident Sexual Abuse	0	0	0	0
Volunteer/Contractor-Resident Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0
Volunteer/Contractor-Resident Sexual Abuse	0	0	0	0

Lisbon- PREA Investigations 2023				
Investigation Type	Substantiated	Unsubstantiated	Unfounded	Total
Resident-Resident Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0
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Staff-Resident Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0
Staff-Resident Sexual Abuse	0	0	0	0
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Staff-Resident Sexual Abuse	0	0	0	0
Volunteer/Contractor-Resident Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0
Volunteer/Contractor-Resident Sexual Abuse	0	0	0	0

Analysis/Corrective Action:

The Eastern Ohio Correction Center had a PREA compliance audit in July of 2023. A certified Department of Justice PREA auditor conducted a thorough compliance check of the mandatory standards and EOCC received a 100% compliance score. The facility will be scheduling the next audit for 2026.

During FY 2023, the facility had an unsubstantiated allegation of staff-to-resident sexual misconduct. The facility developed procedural changes related to staff supervision in areas with no clear line of site views or camera coverage. During FY 24, the facility did not have an allegation of sexual harassment or sexual abuse. Facility leaders constantly review the facility policy, procedure, practices, and training to ensure the agency is complying with the PREA standards.

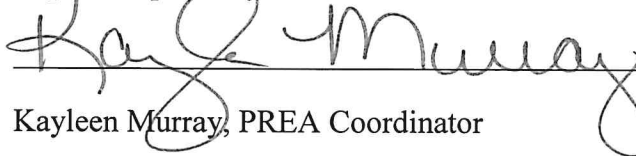
The Eastern Ohio Correction Center continues to educate residents, staff, and volunteers/contractors on how to prevent, detect, report, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Resident education is given upon intake and during orientation group. Staff and volunteers/contractors are given PREA training before having contact with residents. Training is then completed annually with refresher training/information given throughout the year. Employees, volunteers, and contractors are given a PREA staff guide that provides them with information, accessible on a continual basis, that will assist them in the prevention, detection, response, and report of sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

In our continuing effort to prevent sexual abuse and sexual harassment, EOCC has installed key card access points in the facility. The facility is able to track employee movement throughout the facility. This allows investigators to track employee movement who are involved in PREA allegations.

During FY 25, the facility plans on providing all staff with Trauma Informed Care training and Trauma Response training. This training will assist staff with providing an appropriate response while interacting with residents that have experienced trauma.

The Eastern Ohio Correction Center has a zero tolerance policy for all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Its efforts in preventing, detecting, and reporting abuse has been enhanced with the introduction of the PREA standards, and the facility maintains a commitment to reduce sexual abuse and sexual harassment incidents.

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