

### Spectrum Juvenile Justice Services, Lincoln and Calumet Centers, PREA annual report

## Prison Rape Elimination Act 2018 Annual Data and Annual Report

Spectrum Human Services' juvenile justice residential facilities, Lincoln Center and Calumet Center, are required to adopt and comply with all standards of the federal Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA). In accordance with this federal law, Spectrum Human Services has a zero-tolerance policy for sexual abuse and sexual harassment of its juvenile justice program residents. Lincoln Center and Calumet Center have preventive plans in place and, should allegations regarding sexual abuse or harassment be made, all personnel are trained to rapidly restore safety, attend to and support the victim, and promptly initiate a thorough investigative process. Audits of each facility are required every three years to ensure compliance with PREA standards.

# Reporting Sexual Abuse or Harassment

Lincoln Center and Calumet Center policy requires that youths be provided with multiple ways to report sexual abuse, suspected abuse, and sexual harassment. Youth are provided with an orientation on the multiple reporting options available to them. Lincoln and Calumet Centers ensure that youth who report sexual abuse or harassment, and supporting witnesses, are protected from retaliation. Reporting options include:

- Verbally to any staff, counselor or administrator.
- In writing to any staff, counselor or administrator.
- In writing through the youth and family grievance process.
- Verbally or in writing to an advocate, parent, legal guardian, or attorney.
- Externally by telephoning Children's Protective Services at 1-855-444-3911.

Youth's family members and the public are also encouraged to report suspected sexual abuse or harassment of youth in custody. Anonymous and third-party reports must be accepted. The MDHHS Children's Protective Services line, 1-855-444-3911, can be utilized at any time to report suspected abuse or neglect of children, including sexual abuse.

## 2018 Sexual Abuse Allegation Data

Data for the 2018 calendar year on sexual abuse and sexual harassment allegations made at Lincoln Center and Calumet Center follows:

### **Lincoln Center**

## Demographic Data

Number of youths held in this facility on Dec. 31, 201 was:

Male: 86Female: 0Total: 86

Age of the youths held in this facility was:

• Age 17 or younger: 84

Ages 18-20: 2Age 21 or older: 0

Number of youths admitted to this facility and discharged from this facility was:

Admitted: 58Discharged: 66

#### Lincoln Center:

- Kept a record of all allegations of youth-on-youth nonconsensual sexual acts, whether substantiated or not, and kept a record of all allegations of attempted youth-on-youth nonconsensual acts, whether the allegation was substantiated or not. Zero (0) allegations of youth-on-youth nonconsensual sexual acts were made in this facility.
- Kept a record of all allegations of youth-on-youth abusive sexual contact, whether substantiated or not. Zero (0) allegations of youth-on-youth abusive sexual contact were made in this facility.
- Kept a record of all allegations of youth-on-youth sexual harassment, whether substantiated or not. Two (2) allegations of youth-on-youth sexual harassment were made in this facility. Both allegations were determined to be unsubstantiated.
- Kept a record of all allegations of staff sexual misconduct, whether the allegation was substantiated or not. Zero (0) allegations of staff sexual misconduct were made in this facility.
- Kept a record of all allegations of staff sexual harassment, whether the allegation was substantiated or not. Zero (0) allegations of staff sexual harassment were made in this facility.

### **Calumet Center**

### Demographic Data

Number of youths held in this facility on Dec. 31, 201 was:

Male: 67Female: 0

• Total: 67

Age of the youths held in this facility was:

• Age 17 or younger: 66

Ages 18-20: 1Age 21 or older: 0

Number of youths admitted to this facility and discharged from this facility was:

Admitted: 58Discharged: 61

### Calumet Center:

- Kept a record of all allegations of youth-on-youth nonconsensual sexual acts, whether substantiated or not, and kept a record of all allegations of attempted youth-on-youth nonconsensual acts, whether the allegation was substantiated or not. Zero (0) allegations of youth-on-youth nonconsensual sexual acts were made in this facility.
- Kept a record of all allegations of youth-on-youth abusive sexual contact, whether substantiated or not. Zero (0) allegations of youth-on-youth abusive sexual contact were made in this facility.
- Kept a record of all allegations of youth-on-youth sexual harassment, whether substantiated or not. Two (2) allegations of youth-on-youth sexual harassment were made in this facility. Both allegations were determined to be unfounded.
- Kept a record of all allegations of staff sexual misconduct, whether the allegation was substantiated or not. One (1) allegation of staff sexual misconduct was made in this facility. The allegation was substantiated.
- Kept a record of all allegations of staff sexual harassment, whether the allegation was substantiated or not. One (1) allegation of staff sexual harassment was made in this facility. The allegation was determined to be unfounded.

### Sexual Abuse Allegation Year-to-Year Comparison Data

There was no statistical change in the number of allegations of youth-on-youth sexual abuse at Lincoln Center in 2018 versus 2017; no such allegations were made in either year. There was an increase in the number of allegations of youth-on-youth sexual harassment in 2018 versus 2017. There were no such allegations made in 2017, however there were two such allegations made in 2018. Both allegations were determined to be unsubstantiated. There were no allegations of staff-on-youth sexual misconduct made at Lincoln Center in either 2017 or 2018.

The number of allegations of youth-on-youth sexual abuse at Calumet Center were identical in calendar years 2017 and 2018, with no allegations of that type made in either year. There were two allegations of youth-on-youth sexual harassment made in 2018, versus none in 2017, however both allegations were determined to be unfounded. There was a decrease in the number

of allegations of staff-on-youth sexual misconduct in 2018. There was one allegation of staff sexual misconduct made in 2018, and that allegation was substantiated. In 2017, it was reported that there were three allegations of staff-on-youth sexual misconduct reported, with two of those allegations substantiated, on the investigations continuing (at the end of 2017) on one of the allegations. NOTE: This statistic, for calendar year 2017, has been corrected per PREA audit findings. One of the allegations involved two staff members in the same incident. That allegation was listed statistically as one incident however should have been listed as two allegations, one allegation against each staff member. As such, the correct number of staff-on-youth allegations was four in 2017, with two substantiated and two (at the end of 2017) still under investigation. There was no significant difference in the number of staff-on-youth sexual harassment allegations between 2017 and 2018, with one allegation made in 2018, which was determined to be unfounded, and two such allegations made in 2017, both of which were unsubstantiated. There was a decrease in the number of staff-on-youth sexual harassment allegations in 2018. There were no such allegations made in 2018. In 2017 there were three staff-on-youth sexual harassment allegations made, with one of those allegations substantiated and two unsubstantiated.

### **PREA Audits**

PREA audits must be conducted at both facilities by a U.S. Department of Justice-certified auditor. Lincoln Center was last audited in 2017 and was found to be in full compliance with the juvenile standards. The final report of that PREA audit, and the preceding audit of Lincoln Center, which occurred in 2015, is posted on this website. Calumet Center was most recently audited in October 2018. The final audit report is pending, awaiting completions of corrective actions to fully meet each of the juvenile standards. The final report will be posted on this onsite when issued. The previous PREA audit final report for Calumet Center, from 2015, is posted on this website.

PREA audits are robust and auditors are exacting in requiring that facilities comply with all the PREA juvenile standards. As a result, facilities that have successfully completed an audit will have youth, staff, and investigators that are better educated on their rights and responsibilities under PREA for zero tolerance of sexual abuse and harassment. PREA Standards require youth and staff education, require that youth have the unrestricted right to use a grievance process and other avenues to report allegations, and that reporting youth and supporting witnesses be protected from retaliation for reporting. A full listing of the juvenile standards can be found online at the National PREA Resource Center website.