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## Department of Corrections employee arrested for custodial sexual misconduct

Oregon Department of Corrections (DOC) employee Edgar Mickles was arrested yesterday by Oregon State Police (OSP) on charges of custodial sexual misconduct. The DOC Office of the Inspector General worked diligently to provide critical evidence to OSP, and DOC is cooperating fully with its law enforcement partners.

DOC has a zero tolerance policy for sexual abuse and sexual harassment. All allegations of both are reported and thoroughly investigated. If evidence supports the case, prosecution is imminent. Staff members convicted of sexual misconduct will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

DOC strictly adheres to the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003. Every state corrections department, juvenile corrections agency, private prison, federal prison, and jail has an obligation to comply with PREA standards, which seek to detect, prevent, and eliminate sexual abuse and sexual harassment in correctional settings.

Mickles began his career as a Correctional Officer at Coffee Creek Correctional Facility in Wilsonville in May 2013. No other details are available at this time.

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