

NATIONAL PREA RESOURCE WORKGROUP

Working together to share, develop and collaborate on resources, requirements and zero tolerance towards sexual abuse

2014 Updated Resources Needed

I just received my DOJ Certification as a PREA auditor, as many of you have. It gave me a greater understanding of what is expected, how to put the standards into practice, and demonstrate compliance to an auditor.

As many of us are experiencing audits, it is very important to stay in touch, collaborate, and share these experiences and lessons. Do you have new resources, lessons learned, questions, answers, or valuable input that can benefit others working in this field? Share it with us and send an article, resource, policy, training, question, or experience that can be posted on the NPR-work website and newsletter.

Together we can make a difference,
Kila Jager

Audit Tool Kit

The DOJ finished the juvenile audit tool and has published it. The adult tool was finalized and the community confinement and lock-up standards completed.

Here is the link to all the above mentioned audit tools.

<http://www.prearesourcecenter.org/node/1754>

This webpage has links to all facilities audit instrument as well as information about the process, questions they will ask, documents required, a list of certified auditors, and even how to apply to become a DOJ Certified Auditor.

It will go step by step explaining the process for your type of facility.



New Information and Updates in this issue

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- **CJCA PREA Sub Committee and Juvenile PREA Conference**

NPR-Work website

<http://www.oregon.gov/oia/Pages/prea/prearesources.aspx>

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Department of Justice Announces 48 States and Territories Have Committed to Ending Prison Rape

This was the headline on May 28, 2014. New Hampshire and New Jersey certified full compliance and 46 states filed assurances that they are working towards compliance. There are 56 jurisdictions (50 states, 5 territories and the District of Columbia) that are subject to PREA, according to the Department of Justice. Eight states and territories have not filed.

Understand that does not mean those states are not working very hard towards PREA compliance. Most are working diligently, have scheduled audits, and are producing wonderful PREA resources to share with the PREA community. Arizona, Florida, Idaho, Indiana, Nebraska, Texas and Utah, are the seven states listed who did not file compliance or assurance. Please, before you think or say anything about them, check out what they are doing and you will find some amazing work being done.

Training Materials

Exciting news in the area of training to meet the PREA standards

115.333 (33 233 133) Resident or Inmate education; 115.334 Investigations;
115.331 Staff Training;
115.335 Medical and mental health;

NIC, working with professionals in the field has developed some wonderful e-courses that meet the specialized training required by the standards.

The website is:

<http://nic.learn.com/learncenter.asp?id=178416&CookieTest=CookiesAllowed>

It is the new NIC PREA Learning Center and has e-courses in the following:

1. Medical Health Care for Sexual Assault Victims in a Confinement Setting
2. PREA Coordinators Roles and Responsibilities
3. Behavior Health Care for Sexual Assault Victims in a Confinement Setting
4. Investigating Sexual Abuse in a Confinement Setting
5. PREA Audit Process and Instrument Overview
6. Your Role to Responding to Sexual Abuse (not new, but still a good staff training course)

Conferences, Webinars, and Trainings

Videos for Resident and Inmate Education

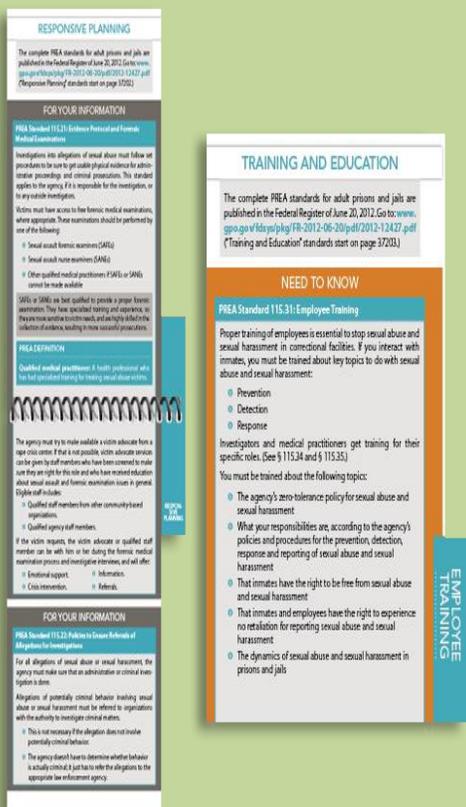
1. Texas youth education video
http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detail_page&v=kEFgjDvzBRc
2. Inmate education video
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ag-vbx5Mg>
3. Idaho youth education video
http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detail_page&v=TRqJd_tzh1A

If you have developed a staff or youth training video, please send a link so we can share it.

Staff Training

1. Keeping Kids Safe Video—training staff
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LAR_6uAS53A&feature=player_detailpage
2. Advocate training/webinars
 - a. On the inside-The Logistics of Providing Services Behind Bars
http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=S8bvCljDv11
 - b. Hope behind Bars-providing services to Incarcerated Survivors
http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=bzTsn849xAg
 - c. One Day at a Time-The Understanding the Culture of Corrections (webinar)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CZBp2VyI6mA&feature=player_detailpage
3. SART Teams---It takes a Team Building a Coordinated Response to Sexual Abuse
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wE2BWbRhohs&feature=player_detailpage

Have staff training to share? Send us a link and we will post it on the website.



An awesome new 64 page laminated pocket guide to keep the PREA standards at your fingertips. This small guide was written for Jails and Prisons, but they will customize it for juvenile programs. This 3x5 buddy is an amazing auditor's tool!

<http://www.quickseries.com/index.php?prodcode=01-0813-000-01>

Welcome to End Violence Against Women International's (EVAWI) On Line Training Institute
(It is free and OVW approved)

<http://olti.evawintl.org/default.aspx>

Check out this training on: Investigations; Dynamics; Victim Impact (and how victims of sexual assault respond); First Responders Guidelines; Interviewing The Victim (techniques based on realistic dynamics of sexual assault); False Reports; Sustaining a Coordinated Community; SARRT; Victim Advocates; Forensic Compliance; Response To Victims With Disabilities; Investigating Sexual Assault (against victims with disabilities, and more).

Webinars, Trainings cont....

Archived Webinars

1. The PREA Audit Experience: Lessons Learned from the South West Idaho Juvenile Detention Center <http://vimeo.com/92618842>
2. Cross Gender Supervision and Legal Liability <http://vimeo.com/92618842>
3. PREA Compliance and Governor Certification <http://vimeo.com/90167435>
4. Developing Partnerships with Community Based Service Providers <http://vimeo.com/79706506> Part 1
5. Developing Partnerships with Community Based Service Providers <http://vimeo.com/81131176> part 2
6. Developing Facility Level Sexual Assault Response Teams <http://vimeo.com/77729333>
7. Creating a Safe Space: PREA and Victim Services in Community Confinement <http://vimeo.com/70582872>
8. Responding to Sexual Abuse of Inmates in Custody: Addressing the Needs of Boys, Girls and Gender Non-Conforming Youth <http://vimeo.com/64681000>

Please go to the National PREA Resource Center for additional information and resources

<http://www.prearesourcecenter.org/training-and-technical-assistance/archived-webinars>

Need a Juvenile PREA Coordinators Conference?

The National CJCA PREA Committee is looking within the field, to determine interest in attending a National Juvenile PREA Coordinators Conference.

Each state would have to pay transportation, food, and lodging; however, the conference itself would be of minimal cost—depending on acquiring funding.

Please send me answers to the following questions and any comments you may have about your interest in attending, or being a vendor at the conference.

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1. Would you be interested in attending a national conference with all 50 state juvenile PREA Coordinators?
2. What topics would you like to see presented?
3. What topics would you be interested in presenting?
4. Workshops or group training?
5. Any other comments or suggestions?
6. Where would you be interested in having this conference?

Thanks to the PREA Resource Center and DOJ

Do not forget, if you need help, the PREA Resource Center can provide Training and Technical Assistance. <http://www.prearesourcecenter.org/training-and-technical-assistance>

Request for Assistance (Field-initiated TTA) – In order to respond to the individual needs of agencies and facilities nationwide, the PRC has created an option for agencies to submit requests for TTA that meets their specific requirements. A request for TTA may be submitted by completing the form accessed by a [link](#) on this site. Once the TTA Request Form is received, the PRC will forward an acknowledgement and the PRC’s TTA coordinator will contact the requesting individual or agency to process and respond to the request.

DOJ responses to questions

Can an auditor find a federal Bureau of Prisons, state, county, or other local or private facility compliant with the PREA standards if an entity external to the confining agency, which conducts criminal investigations of sexual abuse in the facility being audited, is not compliant with the external investigative entity’s obligations under § 115.21, § 115.22, § 115.34, and § 115.71?

Yes, provided that the confining agency and facility being audited has met its own specific obligations under these standards. For example, § 115.21(f) requires the confining agency to request that the relevant external investigating entity follow the PREA standards regarding a uniform evidence protocol and forensic medical evaluations.

What happens to an agency’s three-year audit timeline if an agency fails to have the required minimum of one-third of its facilities audited by August 19, 2014?

The standards require generally that an agency must have “at least one-third” of its facilities audited during each one-year period, which began on August 20, 2013; and that all facilities must be audited by the conclusion of each three-year period, which began on the same date. See 28 C.F.R. § 115.401(a)&(b). Compliance with the audit timeline is evaluated both on a year-to-year basis and at the conclusion of the three-year audit cycle. Failure to comply with the audit timeline during the initial year of an audit cycle does not preclude compliance during years two and three of an audit cycle. Similarly, failure to comply with the audit timeline during the first two years of an audit cycle does not preclude compliance during the final year of each audit cycle. It is important to note that, for purposes of complying with § 115.401(a) (requiring audits of each facility during the three-year audit cycle), agencies must ensure that each facility is audited at least once by August 19, 2016, and during every three-year anniversary thereafter.

Camera viewing by cross gender staff

Attempts to provide privacy in instances of close observation or suicide watch, such as digitally obscuring the toilet area or providing a privacy screen for some portion of the cell, would likely negate the officer’s ability to properly monitor the individual via camera therefore, unless exigent circumstances prevent it, cameras focused within single cells should only be monitored by officers or nonmedical administrators of the same gender as the inmates viewed through the camera

Finally, in order to maintain the ability to conduct thorough and effective investigations and incident reviews involving sexual abuse, sexual harassment, and other misconduct, appropriately trained internal and external investigators and senior facility and agency administrators are not prohibited by this rule from viewing cross-gender recorded camera footage in conjunction with an investigation or incident review.

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