PREA Facility Audit Report: Final

Name of Facility: Reality House

Facility Type: Community Confinement
Date Interim Report Submitted: NA
Date Final Report Submitted: 11/10/2023

Auditor Certification	
The contents of this report are accurate to the best of my knowledge.	
No conflict of interest exists with respect to my ability to conduct an audit of the agency under review.	
I have not included in the final report any personally identifiable information (PII) about any inmate/resident/detainee or staff member, except where the names of administrative personnel are specifically requested in the report template.	
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AUDITOR INFORMATION		
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Start Date of On- Site Audit:	10/24/2023	
End Date of On-Site Audit:	10/25/2023	

FACILITY INFORMATION		
Facility name:	Reality House	
Facility physical address:	5965 N. Expressway 77/83, Brownsville, Texas - 78520	
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Facility Characteristics		
Designed facility capacity:	94	
Current population of facility:	97	
Average daily population for the past 12 months:	96	
Has the facility been over capacity at any point in the past 12 months?	No	
Which population(s) does the facility hold?	Both females and males	
Age range of population:	20-66 or older	
Facility security levels/resident custody levels:	Minimum	
Number of staff currently employed at the	33	

facility who may have contact with residents:	
Number of individual contractors who have contact with residents, currently authorized to enter the facility:	0
Number of volunteers who have contact with residents, currently authorized to enter the facility:	3

AGENCY INFORMATION		
Name of agency:	The GEO Group, Inc.	
Governing authority or parent agency (if applicable):		
Physical Address:	4955 Technology Way, Boca Raton, Florida - 33431	
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Agency Chief Executive Officer Information:		
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Facility AUDIT FINDINGS

Summary of Audit Findings

The OAS automatically populates the number and list of Standards exceeded, the number of Standards met, and the number and list of Standards not met.

Auditor Note: In general, no standards should be found to be "Not Applicable" or "NA." A compliance determination must be made for each standard. In rare instances where an auditor determines that a standard is not applicable, the auditor should select "Meets Standard" and include a comprehensive discussion as to why the standard is not applicable to the facility being audited.

Number of standards exceeded:

7

- 115.211 Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator
- 115.213 Supervision and monitoring
- 115.217 Hiring and promotion decisions
- 115.231 Employee training
- 115.233 Resident education
- 115.241 Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness
- 115.288 Data review for corrective action

Number of standards met:

34

Number of standards not met:

0

POST-AUDIT REPORTING INFORMATION		
GENERAL AUDIT INFORMATION		
On-site Audit Dates		
1. Start date of the onsite portion of the audit:	2023-10-24	
2. End date of the onsite portion of the audit:	2023-10-25	
Outreach		
10. Did you attempt to communicate with community-based organization(s)	● Yes	
or victim advocates who provide services to this facility and/or who may have insight into relevant conditions in the facility?	No	

a. Identify the community-based organization(s) or victim advocates with whom you communicated:

The GEO/Reality House has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Friendship of Women, renewed on 12/19/19. The Director of Operations of Friendship of Women was contacted to confirm and review the terms of MOU. Friendship of Women is a victim services provider. Crisis intervention services provided include a 24/7 emotional support hotline manned by paid advocate, peer support, hospital accompaniment for forensic exams, legal advocacy, and referrals to available community resources. Callers to the hotline can remain anonymous upon request. Advocates would offer ongoing services to victims, which includes mental health counseling. If a resident calls and reports sexual abuse, the resident would be encouraged to report this information to the facility. Friendship of Women provide educational sessions offered at Reality House every year. These sessions inform residents of the services provided by Friendship of Women. The Director of Operations stated the staff of Reality House has a good relationship with Friendship of Women and are always willing to donate their time and services for events they host. The Executive Director of the Crisis Center was contacted to confirm and review the terms of the MOU renewed on 6/24/14. The Crisis Center provides a 24-hour emotional support hotline for residents. The Executive Director stated there are staff advocates available to answer the 24-hour hotline. The Crisis Center can provide residents information on their services over the phone or via mail. If a resident calls and reports sexual abuse, advocates would encourage the resident to report this information at the facility or advise them to call law enforcement. The Crisis Center would obtain consent and a release of information from the victim prior to contacting Reality House if the victim requests the advocate's assistance with reporting the allegation to the facility. All calls are confidential, and residents can remain anonymous upon request. When a

	resident calls the emotional support hotline, the advocate answering the phone would do an intake and determine the needs of the caller. Services include safety planning, counseling, case management and references for further information. The Crisis Center is located in Odessa, TX. Due to the distance from their location to Reality House, they cannot provide accompaniment for forensic exams or provide legal advocacy. All other services can be provided remotely and are provided at no cost to the resident.
AUDITED FACILITY INFORMATION	
14. Designated facility capacity:	94
15. Average daily population for the past 12 months:	96
16. Number of inmate/resident/detainee housing units:	12
17. Does the facility ever hold youthful inmates or youthful/juvenile detainees?	No Not Applicable for the facility type audited (i.e., Community Confinement Facility or Juvenile Facility)
Audited Facility Population Characteristics on Day One of the Onsite Portion of the Audit	
Inmates/Residents/Detainees Population Characteristics on Day One of the Onsite Portion of the Audit	
36. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees in the facility as of the first day of onsite portion of the audit:	54
38. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees with a physical disability in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0

39. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees with a cognitive or functional disability (including intellectual disability, psychiatric disability, or speech disability) in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
40. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who are Blind or have low vision (visually impaired) in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
41. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who are Deaf or hard-of-hearing in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
42. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who are Limited English Proficient (LEP) in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	4
43. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who identify as lesbian, gay, or bisexual in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	2
44. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who identify as transgender or intersex in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
45. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who reported sexual abuse in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	1

46. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who disclosed prior sexual victimization during risk screening in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	11
47. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who were ever placed in segregated housing/isolation for risk of sexual victimization in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
48. Provide any additional comments regarding the population characteristics of inmates/residents/detainees in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit (e.g., groups not tracked, issues with identifying certain populations):	Information was provided by the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager who provided an "At Risk Log" and an LGBTI Log.
Staff, Volunteers, and Contractors Population Portion of the Audit	Characteristics on Day One of the Onsite
49. Enter the total number of STAFF, including both full- and part-time staff, employed by the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	32
50. Enter the total number of VOLUNTEERS assigned to the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit who have contact with inmates/residents/detainees:	3
51. Enter the total number of CONTRACTORS assigned to the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit who have contact with inmates/residents/detainees:	0
52. Provide any additional comments regarding the population characteristics of staff, volunteers, and contractors who were in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	The facility does not utilize the services of contractors.

INTERVIEWS	
Inmate/Resident/Detainee Interviews	
Random Inmate/Resident/Detainee Interviews	
53. Enter the total number of RANDOM INMATES/RESIDENTS/DETAINEES who were interviewed:	10
54. Select which characteristics you considered when you selected RANDOM	☐ Age ☐ Race
INMATE/RESIDENT/DETAINEE interviewees: (select all that apply)	Ethnicity (e.g., Hispanic, Non-Hispanic)
	Length of time in the facility
	Housing assignment
	Gender
	Other
	None
55. How did you ensure your sample of RANDOM INMATE/RESIDENT/DETAINEE interviewees was geographically diverse?	Random residents were selected to be interviewed from each dorm, with the exception of Dorm 3, which was a cohort dorm during the onsite audit visit. There was one resident housed there who had the flu.
56. Were you able to conduct the minimum number of random inmate/ resident/detainee interviews?	YesNo
57. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing random inmates/residents/detainees (e.g., any populations you oversampled, barriers to completing interviews, barriers to ensuring representation):	Several of the residents are employed offsite so random selections were made of the residents who were onsite the first day of the audit.

Targeted Inmate/Resident/Detainee Interviews	
58. Enter the total number of TARGETED INMATES/RESIDENTS/DETAINEES who were interviewed:	9
As stated in the PREA Auditor Handbook, the breakdown of targeted interviews is intended to guide auditors in interviewing the appropriate cross-section of inmates/residents/detainees who are the most vulnerable to sexual abuse and sexual harassment. When completing questions regarding targeted inmate/resident/detainee interviews below, remember that an interview with one inmate/resident/detainee may satisfy multiple targeted interview requirements. These questions are asking about the number of interviews conducted using the targeted inmate/ resident/detainee protocols. For example, if an auditor interviews an inmate who has a physical disability, is being held in segregated housing due to risk of sexual victimization, and disclosed prior sexual victimization, that interview would be included in the totals for each of those questions. Therefore, in most cases, the sum of all the following responses to the targeted inmate/resident/detainee interview categories will exceed the total number of targeted inmates/ residents/detainees who were interviewed. If a particular targeted population is not applicable in the audited facility, enter "0".	
60. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees with a physical disability using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager reported there were no residents assigned to the facility with physical disabilities.

61. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees with a cognitive or functional disability (including intellectual disability, psychiatric disability, or speech disability) using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager reported there were no residents assigned to the facility with cognitive disabilities.
62. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who are Blind or have low vision (i.e., visually impaired) using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	■ Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. ■ The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.

b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager reported there were no residents assigned to the facility who were blind or had low vision.
63. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who are Deaf or hard-of-hearing using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager reported there were no residents assigned to the facility who deaf or hard of hearing.
64. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who are Limited English	4
Proficient (LEP) using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	

66. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who identify as transgender or intersex using the "Transgender and Intersex Inmates; Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager reported there were no residents assigned to the facility who had self- disclosed being transgender or intersex.
67. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who reported sexual abuse in this facility using the "Inmates who Reported a Sexual Abuse" protocol:	1
68. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who disclosed prior sexual victimization during risk screening using the "Inmates who Disclosed Sexual Victimization during Risk Screening" protocol:	5
69. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who are or were ever placed in segregated housing/isolation for risk of sexual victimization using the "Inmates Placed in Segregated Housing (for Risk of Sexual Victimization/Who Allege to have Suffered Sexual Abuse)" protocol:	0

a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	■ Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. ■ The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	Reality House is a community confinement facility and does not have segregated housing/isolation
70. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing targeted inmates/residents/detainees (e.g., any populations you oversampled, barriers to completing interviews):	Two of the five residents who reported prior sexual victimization were also screened at risk for abusiveness.
Staff, Volunteer, and Contractor Interv	views
Random Staff Interviews	
Random Staff Interviews	
Random Staff Interviews 71. Enter the total number of RANDOM STAFF who were interviewed:	9
71. Enter the total number of RANDOM	Description of tenure in the facility Length of tenure in the facility Shift assignment Work assignment Rank (or equivalent) Other (e.g., gender, race, ethnicity, languages spoken) None

74. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing random staff (e.g., any populations you oversampled, barriers to completing interviews, barriers to ensuring representation):

Monitor staff on all three security shifts who were assigned to work during the onsite audit visit were interviewed. This included three on the second shift, four on the third shift and two on the graveyard shift.

Specialized Staff, Volunteers, and Contractor Interviews

Staff in some facilities may be responsible for more than one of the specialized staff duties. Therefore, more than one interview protocol may apply to an interview with a single staff member and that information would satisfy multiple specialized staff interview requirements.

75. Enter the total number of staff in a SPECIALIZED STAFF role who were interviewed (excluding volunteers and contractors):	11
76. Were you able to interview the Agency Head?	● Yes ○ No
77. Were you able to interview the Warden/Facility Director/Superintendent or their designee?	YesNo
78. Were you able to interview the PREA Coordinator?	YesNo
79. Were you able to interview the PREA Compliance Manager?	 Yes No NA (NA if the agency is a single facility agency or is otherwise not required to have a PREA Compliance Manager per the Standards)

80. Select which SPECIALIZED STAFF	Agency contract administrator
roles were interviewed as part of this audit from the list below: (select all that apply)	Intermediate or higher-level facility staff responsible for conducting and documenting unannounced rounds to identify and deter staff sexual abuse and sexual harassment
	Line staff who supervise youthful inmates (if applicable)
	Education and program staff who work with youthful inmates (if applicable)
	☐ Medical staff
	☐ Mental health staff
	Non-medical staff involved in cross-gender strip or visual searches
	Administrative (human resources) staff
	Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner (SAFE) or Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) staff
	Investigative staff responsible for conducting administrative investigations
	Investigative staff responsible for conducting criminal investigations
	Staff who perform screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness
	Staff who supervise inmates in segregated housing/residents in isolation
	Staff on the sexual abuse incident review team
	Designated staff member charged with monitoring retaliation
	First responders, both security and non- security staff
	☐ Intake staff

	Other
81. Did you interview VOLUNTEERS who may have contact with inmates/ residents/detainees in this facility?	YesNo
a. Enter the total number of VOLUNTEERS who were interviewed:	1
b. Select which specialized VOLUNTEER role(s) were interviewed as part of this audit from the list below: (select all that apply)	 Education/programming Medical/dental Mental health/counseling Religious Other
82. Did you interview CONTRACTORS who may have contact with inmates/residents/detainees in this facility?	Yes No
83. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing specialized staff.	The agency's PREA Coordinator and the Agency Head Designee (Director, Quality Assurance and Reentry Services) were both interviewed earlier this year. The volunteer interviewed works for Behavioral Health Solutions of South Texas and provides Life Skills programs to the residents of Realty House.

SITE REVIEW AND DOCUMENTATION SAMPLING

Site Review

PREA Standard 115.401 (h) states, "The auditor shall have access to, and shall observe, all areas of the audited facilities." In order to meet the requirements in this Standard, the site review portion of the onsite audit must include a thorough examination of the entire facility. The site review is not a casual tour of the facility. It is an active, inquiring process that includes talking with staff and inmates to determine whether, and the extent to which, the audited facility's practices demonstrate compliance with the Standards. Note: As you are conducting the site review, you must document your tests of critical functions, important information gathered through observations, and any issues identified with facility practices. The information you collect through the site review is a crucial part of the evidence you will analyze as part of your compliance determinations and will be needed to complete your audit report, including the Post-Audit Reporting Information.

compliance determinations and will be needed to complete your audit report, including the Post-Audit Reporting Information.			
84. Did you have access to all areas of the facility?	YesNo		
Was the site review an active, inquiring proce	ess that included the following:		
85. Observations of all facility practices in accordance with the site review component of the audit instrument (e.g., signage, supervision practices, crossgender viewing and searches)?	YesNo		
86. Tests of all critical functions in the facility in accordance with the site review component of the audit instrument (e.g., risk screening process, access to outside emotional support services, interpretation services)?			
87. Informal conversations with inmates/ residents/detainees during the site review (encouraged, not required)?	YesNo		
88. Informal conversations with staff during the site review (encouraged, not required)?	YesNo		

89. Provide any additional comments regarding the site review (e.g., access to areas in the facility, observations, tests of critical functions, or informal conversations).

During the site review I informally interviewed eight residents and three Monitor staff. Facility Notices, Reporting options and thirdparty reporting information was found displayed in numerous locations throughout the facility.

I tested the Language Line number and found it to be accessible. I called the Crisis Center, Friendship of Women and RAINN using the speed dial number on a resident pay phone. The number for the Crisis Center was not accessible. The Assistant Facility Director/ PREA Compliance Manager submitted a work order. The work order was completed, and the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager verified through an email the number was now accessible. I reviewed camera monitors. Eight cameras were not able to be reviewed as they were not connected to the server. The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager responded on 11/3/23 that the vendor advised her that the new equipment was ordered and received and an onsite visit to install the new server will be scheduled.

Documentation Sampling

Where there is a collection of records to review-such as staff, contractor, and volunteer training records; background check records; supervisory rounds logs; risk screening and intake processing records; inmate education records; medical files; and investigative files-auditors must self-select for review a representative sample of each type of record.

90. In addition to the proof documentation selected by the agency or facility and provided to you, did you also conduct an auditor-selected sampling of documentation?





91. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting additional documentation (e.g., any documentation you oversampled, barriers to selecting additional documentation, etc.).

Fifteen resident records were randomly selected to be reviewed to determine compliance with screening requirements. Residents are screened within the first 24 hours of arrival to the facility and reassessed three to four weeks after their arrival date. Those screened to be at risk of victimization and abusiveness are offered a referral for a mental health evaluation. These residents are tracked on an "At Risk Log" and are housed accordingly, ensuring victims and predators are housed separately. The same 15 resident records were reviewed for compliance to the requirement of PREA education to residents. The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager maintains documentation of this training. Files reviewed were complete with signed documentation. Nineteen employee human resource records were reviewed. This number included five employees who were promoted in the past 12 months, four new hires, five employees employed for less than five years and five employed for greater than five years. The records were found to be in excellent order and complete with required documentation. The three volunteer records were reviewed. Volunteers have a criminal background check prior to being allowed access to the facility. Volunteer records reviewed contained documentation that volunteers completed PREA training on 5/4/23.

and PREA education provided to residents. All documentation was found to be complete.

SEXUAL ABUSE AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT ALLEGATIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS IN THIS FACILITY

Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Allegations and Investigations Overview

Remember the number of allegations should be based on a review of all sources of allegations (e.g., hotline, third-party, grievances) and should not be based solely on the number of investigations conducted. Note: For question brevity, we use the term "inmate" in the following questions. Auditors should provide information on inmate, resident, or detainee sexual abuse allegations and investigations, as applicable to the facility type being audited.

92. Total number of SEXUAL ABUSE allegations and investigations overview during the 12 months preceding the audit, by incident type:

	# of sexual abuse allegations	# of criminal investigations	# of administrative investigations	# of allegations that had both criminal and administrative investigations
Inmate- on- inmate sexual abuse	1	1	1	1
Staff- on- inmate sexual abuse	1	1	1	1
Total	2	2	2	2

93. Total number of SEXUAL HARASSMENT allegations and investigations overview during the 12 months preceding the audit, by incident type:

	# of sexual harassment allegations	# of criminal investigations	# of administrative investigations	# of allegations that had both criminal and administrative investigations
Inmate-on- inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0
Staff-on- inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Investigation Outcomes

Sexual Abuse Investigation Outcomes

Note: these counts should reflect where the investigation is currently (i.e., if a criminal investigation was referred for prosecution and resulted in a conviction, that investigation outcome should only appear in the count for "convicted.") Do not double count. Additionally, for question brevity, we use the term "inmate" in the following questions. Auditors should provide information on inmate, resident, and detainee sexual abuse investigation files, as applicable to the facility type being audited.

94. Criminal SEXUAL ABUSE investigation outcomes during the 12 months preceding the audit:

	Ongoing	Referred for Prosecution	Indicted/ Court Case Filed	Convicted/ Adjudicated	Acquitted
Inmate-on- inmate sexual abuse	0	0	0	0	0
Staff-on- inmate sexual abuse	1	0	0	0	0
Total	1	0	0	0	0

95. Administrative SEXUAL ABUSE investigation outcomes during the 12 months preceding the audit:

	Ongoing	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Substantiated
Inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse	0	1	1	0
Staff-on-inmate sexual abuse	0	0	0	0
Total	0	1	1	0

Sexual Harassment Investigation Outcomes

Note: these counts should reflect where the investigation is currently. Do not double count. Additionally, for question brevity, we use the term "inmate" in the following questions. Auditors should provide information on inmate, resident, and detained sexual harassment investigation files, as applicable to the facility type being audited.

96. Criminal SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation outcomes during the 12 months preceding the audit:

	Ongoing	Referred for Prosecution	Indicted/ Court Case Filed	Convicted/ Adjudicated	Acquitted
Inmate-on- inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0	0
Staff-on- inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0

97. Administrative SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation outcomes during the 12 months preceding the audit:

	Ongoing	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Substantiated
Inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0
Staff-on-inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Investigation Files Selected for Review

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Sexual	Anuse	investigation	FIIES	Selected	TOL REVIE	м

98. Enter the total number of SEXUA	۱L
ABUSE investigation files reviewed/	
sampled:	

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99. Did your selection of SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include a cross-section of criminal and/or administrative investigations by findings/outcomes?	No No NA (NA if you were unable to review any sexual abuse investigation files)
Inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation	files
100. Enter the total number of INMATE- ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files reviewed/sampled:	1
101. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include criminal investigations?	No NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files)
102. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include administrative investigations?	No NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files)
Staff-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation fil	es
103. Enter the total number of STAFF- ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files reviewed/sampled:	1
104. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include criminal investigations?	YesNoNA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files)

105. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include administrative investigations?	 Yes No NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files)
Sexual Harassment Investigation Files Select	ed for Review
106. Enter the total number of SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files reviewed/sampled:	0
a. Explain why you were unable to review any sexual harassment investigation files:	In the past 12 months, there were no sexual harassment allegations reported.
107. Did your selection of SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include a cross-section of criminal and/or administrative investigations by findings/outcomes?	No NA (NA if you were unable to review any sexual harassment investigation files)
Inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment investig	pation files
108. Enter the total number of INMATE- ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files reviewed/sampled:	0
109. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT files	Yes
include criminal investigations?	No
	NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)

110. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include administrative investigations?	Yes No NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)
Staff-on-inmate sexual harassment investigat	ion files
111. Enter the total number of STAFF- ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files reviewed/sampled:	0
112. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include criminal investigations?	No NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)
113. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include administrative investigations?	No NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)
114. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting and reviewing sexual abuse and sexual harassment investigation files.	In the past 12 months, there were no staff-on- inmate or inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment allegations reported.Rea

SUPPORT STAFF INFORMATION		
DOJ-certified PREA Auditors Support Staff		
115. Did you receive assistance from any DOJ-CERTIFIED PREA AUDITORS at any point during this audit? REMEMBER: the audit includes all activities from the preonsite through the post-onsite phases to the submission of the final report. Make sure you respond accordingly.	Yes No	
Non-certified Support Staff		
116. Did you receive assistance from any	Yes	
NON-CERTIFIED SUPPORT STAFF at any point during this audit? REMEMBER: the audit includes all activities from the preonsite through the post-onsite phases to the submission of the final report. Make sure you respond accordingly.	● No	
AUDITING ARRANGEMENTS AND COMPENSATION		
121. Who paid you to conduct this audit?	The audited facility or its parent agency	
	My state/territory or county government employer (if you audit as part of a consortium or circular auditing arrangement, select this option) A third-party auditing entity (e.g., accreditation body, consulting firm) Other	

Standards

Auditor Overall Determination Definitions

- Exceeds Standard (Substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the stand for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective actions)

Auditor Discussion Instructions

Auditor discussion, including the evidence relied upon in making the compliance or non-compliance determination, the auditor's analysis and reasoning, and the auditor's conclusions. This discussion must also include corrective action recommendations where the facility does not meet standard. These recommendations must be included in the Final Report, accompanied by information on specific corrective actions taken by the facility.

Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator

Auditor Overall Determination: Exceeds Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.211 (a): GEO policy A, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program (PREA) for Adult Prison and Jail and Adult Community Confinement Facilities and Reality House policy 0504-1, PREA Staffing and Facility Requirements, are written policies mandating zero tolerance towards all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment and outlines the agency's/facility's approach to preventing, detecting and responding to such conduct. Both policies include definitions of prohibited behaviors and sanctions for those found to participate in these prohibited behaviors. Both policies are comprehensive and clearly outline the procedures to be followed to reduce and prevent sexual abuse and sexual harassment of residents. The policy addresses each standard as guidance to staff ensuring compliance to the PREA standards. The facility was found to exceed in the requirements of this provision of this standard.

115.211 (b) GEO policy 5.1.2-A, pages 6 & 7, section III, B, 1-3 and facility policy 0504-1, pages 2 & 3, section VI-A, outline the responsibilities of the PREA Coordinator and the PREA Compliance Manager. The agency's organizational chart

depicts the PREA Coordinator's position within the agency. The PREA Coordinator oversees the agency's efforts to comply with the PREA standards in all GEO facilities. The agency not only employs an agency wide PREA Coordinator, but also employs a Director, Fidelity & Quality Assurance who provides oversight to the agency's reentry facilities; therefore, exceeding in the requirements of this provision of this standard. In interview with the agency's PREA Coordinator at the beginning of this reaccreditation period he stated, "Yes, I have sufficient time and authority to develop, implement and oversee the agency's efforts to comply with the PREA standards at all GEO facilities". When asked how he coordinates the agency's efforts to comply with the PREA standards he stated. "I supervise a corporate PREA compliance team consisting of four PREA Compliance Managers (PCMs) and a PREA Compliance Specialist. There is also one PREA division coordinator and three regional PREA Compliance Managers that assist with the Reentry Services division. Furthermore, each of the corporate PREA Compliance Managers on my team have investigative oversight for each of their assigned facility and serve as the main point of contact for all PREA-related questions". When interviewed the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager stated she has sufficient time and authority to coordinate the facility's efforts to comply with the PREA standards as required. She stated she coordinates the agency's efforts to comply with the PREA standards by providing training, attending trainings offered for PREA Compliance Managers and guidance from the PRC. If she has an issue with complying with a PREA standard she would let the Facility Director know, reach out to corporate or seek advice from other PREA Compliance Managers.

115.212	Contracting with other entities for the confinement of residents	
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard	
	Auditor Discussion	
	115.212: GEO is a private provider and does not contract with other agencies for the confinement of residents; therefore, this standard is not applicable.	

115.213	Supervision and monitoring	
	Auditor Overall Determination: Exceeds Standard	
	Auditor Discussion	

115.213 (a): Based on GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 7, section C-1 and facility policy 0504-1, page 3, section B-1, the agency has developed and documented a staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing and uses video monitoring to protect residents against sexual abuse. The agency took into consideration the physical layout of the facility, the composition of the population and the prevalence of substantiated incidents of sexual abuse, and the resources the facility has available to commit to ensure adequate staffing levels in the development of the facility's staffing plan. The facility's design capacity is 110 residents and the staffing plan was developed based on that number. On information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire, since the last PREA audit the average daily population was 96 residents. The PREA staffing plan authorizes 32 full-time positions.

When asked during interview how facilities assess adequate staffing levels and the need for video monitoring equipment when developing facility staffing plans the PREA Coordinator responded as follows:

a. The physical layout of each facility:

"We fully understand the intent and language within the PREA guidelines. GEO has a zero tolerance for any sexual abuse within our facilities and does everything possible to design and run facilities which protect inmates from abuse. Since the release of the federal standards, we have allocated funds for shower modifications, camera upgrades, etc. and will continue to consider these enhancements during new construction projects as well."

"We acquire facilities which are at times older in construction and not optimal by today's standards. Our company leadership allocated the resources needed to make proper modifications to enhance safety." "Our corporate PREA team works very closely with our corporate project development team. If design issues are detected during internal or external site visits, we use a team approach to address and correct the issue."

b. The composition of the resident population:

"GEO routinely uses new technology to assist in better monitoring of our staff and inmates within our facilities. We routinely add or improve camera coverage within our prisons and jails. New technology is added to screening areas to control contraband and assist in maintaining the safety of our facilities."

"Corporate operations staff routinely meet with vendors to look for more efficient and effective ways to bolster security and safety within our facilities.

c. The prevalence of substantiated and unsubstantiated incidents of sexual abuse:

"GEO monitor incidents at both the local and national level to identify patterns and areas for improvement. The monitoring has been made possible through software applications and systems implemented nationally allowing incidents and audit results to be tracked and compared more easily."

d. Any other relevant factors:

"Security monitoring systems, the PREA portal, software applications, improvements in communication technology such as radios, emergency response practices, afteraction reviews, and audit findings are all taken into consideration. Again, our corporate PREA team works closely with our corporate project development team. If design issues are detected during internal or external visits, we use a team approach to address and correct the issue."

115.213 (b): The facility makes its best efforts to comply with the approved PREA Staffing Plan. In circumstances where the staffing plan is not complied with, the Facility Director would document and justify all deviations from the plan. The Security Manager develop the weekly staffing schedules and the Facility Director reviews them for compliance. On information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire and in interview with the Facility Director, in this audit period there were no times that there were deviations to the staffing plan. For staff vacancies, callouts or PTO requests, the facility adjusts scheduling or utilizes overtime to ensure the required staff-to-resident ratio is maintained.

115.213 (c) Whenever necessary or at least once a year the staffing plan is reviewed. The staffing plan is reviewed annually by the Facility Director and the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager and documented on the PREA Annual Facility Assessment form. This form is then forwarded to the Regional Director, the Director, Fidelity & Quality Assurance, the Vice President of Residential Reentry Centers and the Corporate PREA Coordinator for signature and approval of any recommendations made to the established staffing plan to include the deployment of video monitoring systems and other monitoring technologies or the allocations of additional resources to maintain compliance to the plan. In the 2021, 2022 and 2023 PREA Annual Facility Assessments, there were no recommendations for changes to the established staffing plan. There was a recommendation for the purchase of additional cameras and five cameras were added in 2023. In interview of the PREA Coordinator he stated, "Each facility is required to conduct an Annual PREA Facility Assessment, which requires them to review their staffing plan and all components of the physical plant. Completed assessments are forwarded to me which include recommendations for equipment, cameras, additional staffing. etc. I review and consult with the appropriate divisional leadership (i.e., secure services and reentry services) and we assess the request. It is either approved or denied, signed and returned to the facility."

Per policy, facility management staff and mid-level supervisors conduct unannounced rounds within their respective areas to identify and deter employee sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Shift Supervisors conduct rounds during their shift and these rounds are documented on the *Post Order* form. There are three counts per shift Monday-Friday. On weekends Monitors work 12-hour shifts and there are five counts on the Graveyard Shift and four on the day shift. All counts are documented on the *Housing Count Roster*. Monitors are required to make random walk-throughs throughout their shift. Management staff are required to complete, at a minimum, unannounced PREA rounds once a shift each month.

These rounds are documented on the *Unannounced PREA Rounds Log.* Employees are prohibited from alerting residents or other employees that these supervisory rounds are occurring. The facility was found to exceed in its monitoring efforts.

Documentation provided for review, review of *Post Order* and *Unannounced PREA Rounds* forms while on site and in interview with staff and residents, the practice of rounds by facility management staff and supervisory staff confirmed numerous rounds being conducted on all security shifts.

115.215 Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.215 (a): Based on review of GEO policy 5.1.2-A, pages 15 & 16, section I, and facility policy 0903-1, page 3, sections on *Offender/Resident "Pat" Searches, Offender/Resident "Strip" Searches, "Body Cavity" Searches, and Limits to Cross-Gender Viewing and Searches,* the facility prohibits cross-gender strip searches and cross-gender visual body cavity searches except in exigent circumstances or when performed by medical practitioners. Facility policy requires that all cross-gender strip searches and body cavity searches be documented. Resident strip searches and body cavity searches are prohibited at Reality House. If at any time there is cause to strip search a resident, the Facility Director or designee will contact the nearest correctional institution to arrange and have search conducted at the local institution. In the past 12 months, there were no cross-gender strip or cross-gender visual body cavity searches performed.

115.215 (b): Females are not restricted access to regular available programming or outside opportunities in order to comply with this provision. At all times, there is a female and a male staff member on duty. Random staff interviewed confirmed there is always a male and female staff on duty. In interview of female residents they stated there is always a female on duty to pat search them.

115.215 (c): Pat searches are conducted in an area adjacent to the Security Booth in view of a camera. Searches are documented with the reason for the search, the result of the search and the signatures of the staff member conducting the search on the Search Activity/Breathalyzer Log. Every shift is required to complete a minimum of 10 random searches per shift.

115.215 (d): The agency has policies and procedures in place that enable residents

to shower, perform bodily functions and change clothing without staff viewing their breast, buttocks or genitalia. Policy requires staff of the opposite gender to announce their presence when they enter resident housing and restroom areas. Signs are on all resident rooms reminding staff to make opposite gender announcements. This practice was observed while on-site and residents and staff interviewed confirmed that this practice is being followed. Residents interviewed shared they feel they have privacy to shower, toilet and change clothing when opposite gender staff are in their housing unit.

115.215 (e): Based on GEO policy 5.1.2-A and facility policy 0903-1, the facility prohibits examining transgender or intersex residents for the sole purpose of determining genital status. If the resident's genital status is unknown, it may be determined during conversations with the resident, by reviewing the medical records, or, if necessary, by a medical examination conducted in private by a medical practitioner. In interview of random staff, they knew that this was prohibited by policy. Transgender and intersex residents are given the opportunity to shower separately from other residents. In the past 12 months, there were no transgender or intersex residents housed at the facility.

115.215 (f): In addition to general training provided to all employees, security staff receive training on how to conduct cross-gender pat-down searches and searches of transgender and intersex residents. The agency's *Guidance in Cross Gender and Transgender Pat Searches* curriculum was provided for review. Staff sign a *Cross Gender Pat Searches & Searches of Transgender & Intersex* acknowledgement form upon completion of this training. Receipt of this training was verified through interviews with staff and review of nineteen staff training records.

115.216

Residents with disabilities and residents who are limited English proficient

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.216 (a): The agency takes appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities and residents that are limited English proficient have an opportunity to participate and benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment. GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 10, section E and facility policy 1702-1, *PREA Intake and Orientation*, page 2, section V, were used to verify compliance to this standard. In interview with the Director, Quality Assurance and Reentry Services, "All GEO facilities have developed PREA education materials in various formats to ensure that individuals with disabilities

and those who are limited English proficient can equally benefit from the PREA program. GEO has developed posters, pamphlets, videos and large print materials, etc. and provides access to TTY phones, language lines and designated staff interpreters to ensure we can effectively communicate procedures and available services to residents. Facilities also reach out to community-based resources (i.e., local colleges or organizations) that might be willing to assist." The facility has nine resident pay phones with a TTY machine near each of these phones and video remote interpretation is available through the Language Line Services, Inc. The Language Line was tested and accessible.

115.216 (b): Residents receive a *PREA Education Manual for Residents* during the intake process that is available in English, Spanish and in large print for residents with low vision. PREA posters and a *PREA: What You Need to Know* video is provided in both English and Spanish. The majority of staff are proficient in the Spanish language and provide interpretation to Spanish speaking residents. A contract with Language Line Services, Inc. provides for the translation of any other languages. At the time of the onsite audit visit, there were four residents who were limited English proficient (Spanish). They were interviewed with translation provided by the Social Service Coordinator. They all reported receiving written PREA information in Spanish and viewing the Spanish version of the PREA video.

115.216 (c): The agency prohibits the use of resident interpreters, resident readers or other types of resident assistants except in limited circumstances. In the past 12 months, there have been no instances where residents were used for these purposes. Random staff interviewed knew the use of resident interpreters was not allowed. Limited English proficient residents interviewed said staff always interpret for them.

115.217 Hiring and promotion decisions

Auditor Overall Determination: Exceeds Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.217 (a): Per GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 8, C-2, the agency/facility prohibits hiring or promoting anyone who may have contact with residents and prohibits enlisting the services of any contractor who may have contact with residents who have engaged in, been convicted of, or been civilly or administratively adjudicated for engaging in sexual abuse in confinement settings or in the community. Applicants who answer on their application that they have worked in a confinement setting previously receive a PREA Verification (HR-104) by Accurate Backgrounds, Inc.

Employees have a continuing affirmative duty to disclose any sexual misconduct and/or misconduct to the Facility Director. Unless prohibited by law, GEO Corporate Human Resources Department will provide information on substantiated allegations of Sexual Abuse or Sexual Harassment involving a former employee upon receiving a request from an institutional employer for whom the individual has applied for work.

- 115,217 (b): GEO considers any incidents of sexual harassment in determining whether to hire or promote anyone, or to enlist the services of any contractor, who may have contact with residents. The facility does not utilize the services of contractors. In interview with the Office Support Specialist, she confirmed this practice.
- 115.217 (c): The agency requires that all applicants and employees who may have contact with residents have a criminal background check and every five years thereafter. Criminal background checks for all potential employees are completed through Accurate Backgrounds initiated by GEO's corporate Human Resource Office, as well as BOP clearance for all applicants through NCIC and the Civilian Application System. The agency also requires that all contractors and volunteers who have contact with residents have criminal background checks. Reality House does not utilize the services of contractors and has three volunteers. The Office Support Specialist reviewed the process for conducting criminal background checks on employees and volunteers. On information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire, in the past 12 months, there were five criminal background checks conducted on new hires.
- 115.217 (d): The agency performs criminal background checks on all contractors before enlisting their services if they have contact with residents. This provision of this standard is not applicable to this facility. Reality House does not utilize the services of contractors.
- 115.217 (e): Criminal Background checks for all employees are completed every five years through Accurate Backgrounds. Human Resource files of nineteen employees and three volunteers were reviewed and found to contain preemployment criminal background checks and five-year background checks on staff who were employed for more than five years.
- 115.217 (f): All applicants, employees and contractors are asked about previous misconduct as stated in section 115.217 (a). Annually employees complete a *PREA Disclosure and Authorization Form Annual Performance Evaluation* (PREA 101) form and for consideration for promotions or transfers, employees complete a *PREA Disclosure and Authorization Form Promotions PREA Related Positions* (PREA 102) and another criminal background check by Accurate Backgrounds is conducted.
- 115.217 (g): GEO policy mandates that material omissions regarding sexual misconduct and the provision of materially giving false information are grounds for termination as required by this standard.

The facility is doing an excellent job of maintaining personnel files on all staff and volunteers. Files were complete and in an excellent and consistent format. The

facility was found to exceed in the requirements of this standard.

115.218 Upgrades to facilities and technology

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.218 (a): GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 8, section C-3 and facility policy 0504-1, page 4, section 3, and documentation provided for review was used to verify compliance to this standard. Per agency and facility policies, Reality House shall consider the effect any new design, acquisition, expansion or modification of physical plant or monitoring technology might have on the facility's ability to protect residents from sexual abuse. In interview with the Director, Quality Assurance and Reentry Services (agency head designee) he stated, "GEO is a world leader in providing sound and effective security measures in the facilities we manage and operate. Every facility acquired by the company is thoroughly assessed for needed safety and security enhancements in both physical plant construction and procedure enhancement. When GEO acquires older facilities that are not optimal by today's standards, security modifications are prioritized to enhance safety. When modifications are made by GEO to existing institutions, or when new facilities are designed and constructed, the design/construction staff work closely with GEO's experienced operational personal to significantly improve the safety of our institutions. GEO routinely merges operational and design expertise in the enhancement of facilities. The security and safety of residents and staff are at the forefront of every decision made by the company. GEO has a zerotolerance for any sexual abuse within facilities and does everything possible to design and operate facilities that protect residents from abuse. Since the release of the federal standards, GEO has not only allocated funds to shower modifications, camera upgrades, etc. in existing facilities but also considers these enhancements during new construction projects as well. The corporate PREA team works very closely with the Corporate Project Development team. If design issues are detected during internal or external site reviews, a team approach is used to address and correct the issues." In interview with the Facility Director and on information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire, since the last audit the facility has not acquired any new facilities and has not had any substantial expansions or modifications to the existing facility.

115.218 (b): When installing or updating a video monitoring system GEO considers how the technology may enhance the agency's ability to protect residents from sexual abuse. In interview with the Director, Quality Assurance and Reentry Services (agency head designee) he stated, "GEO routinely uses new technology to assist in better monitoring of staff and residents within our facilities. GEO routinely adds or improves camera coverage within our centers. New technology is added to screening areas to control contraband and assist in maintaining the safety of our facilities. Corporate Operations staff routinely meet with vendors to look for

efficient and effective ways to bolster security and safety within our facilities. The company implemented software applications and systems nationally that track audit results and events. These applications assist in the comparison of audit results and events. Those applications assist in the comparison of audit results and events to identify patterns and areas is need of improvement. Again, the Corporate PREA team works very closely with our Corporate Project Development team. If design issues are detected during internal or external site visits, we use a team approach to address and correct the issues." In interview with the Facility Director and on information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire and a statement of fact, the camera surveillance system was recently updated (2023) by replacing all cameras and adding three cameras in new locations. Cameras were added in the indigent laundry room, female laundry room and the kitchen service area. At the time of the onsite audit visit, there were eight cameras off the server. In an email received from the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager, on 11/3/23, a work order was submitted to Netsync. On 11/6/23 she reported Netsync had replied advising they had received the new equipment and would be scheduling an onsite visit to install.

115.221 Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.221 (a): GEO policy 5.1.2-E, pages 6-9, sections D-I and facility policy 0803-1, pages 6 & 7, section 2, outlines the agency's requirements as it applies to this standard. The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager is the trained facility investigator responsible for administrative investigations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment at Reality House. The Brownsville Police Department are responsible for conducting criminal investigations and to ensure all forensic evidence is collected and preserved in accordance with evidence protocols established by the Department of Justice (DOJ). The investigating entities follow a uniform evidence protocol that maximizes the potential for obtaining usable physical evidence and fulfill all requirements of this standard. The facility provided at letter from the Police Chief of the Brownsville Police Department which stated Reality House is within the jurisdiction of the Brownsville Police Department and therefore responsible for investigating any allegations of sexual abuse reported by any resident or staff member. In interview of random staff, they knew how to preserve evidence and knew the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager and the Social Services Coordinator were responsible for conducting administrative investigations of sexual abuse.

115.221 (b): The protocol is developmentally appropriate for youth where applicable and, as appropriate, shall be adapted from or otherwise based on the most recent edition of the Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women publication. "A National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic

Examinations, Adults/Adolescents" or similarly comprehensive and authoritative protocols developed after 2011.

115.221 (c): Victims of sexual abuse have access to forensic medical examinations with the victim's consent and without cost to the resident regardless of if the victim names the abuser or cooperates with an investigation arising out of incident. Forensic exams are not performed at this facility. Victims of sexual abuse are referred to the Valley Baptist Hospital in Harlingen, TX for SANE exams at no cost to the resident. On 4/5/23, the Reality House renewed a written agreement with Child to Adult Abuse Response Team (CAART) located at the Valley Baptist Hospital in Harlingen, TX. The CAART Clinical Director was contacted to discuss forensic exam services provided to alleged resident victims of sexual abuse. SANE nurses are on a staff at the Valley Baptist Hospital 24/7. A victim who alleges sexual abuse that occurred within a 120-hour timeframe would be offered a SANE exam. Upon the request of the victim, an advocate from the Friendship of Women would be made available to accompany the victim through the SANE exam process. All victims of sexual abuse would be given a prescription for STD prophylaxis and female victim are offered a prescription for emergency contraception. The victim is not charged for any services provided. Law enforcement and the Crime Victims Compensation would share the cost of any services. On information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire and in information provided by the CAART Clinical Director, In the past 12 months, there have been no residents who have required SANE exams.

115.221 (d): The agency/facility entered into an MOU with Friendship of Women. Inc. Brownsville, TX. Friendship of Women provides a crisis hotline 24 hours a day, victim advocacy services, counseling and referrals. In interview with the agency's PREA Coordinator he stated, "GEO policy requires each facility each facility to pursue a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with a community-based provider capable of providing victim advocacy services. In the event an MOU cannot be obtained, the facility is required to document the attempt to enter into an MOU and/ or maintain documentation that no other alternatives are available in the community. If no alternatives are available, an agency staff member is screened for appropriateness to serve as an advocate and trained on the provision of victim advocacy services. Agency staff training is documented and maintained as part of the staff member's official training record. Each facility ensures the rape crisis center provides the following: 24-hour hotline services; accompaniment and advocacy through medical, criminal and support systems; crisis intervention services to include individual and group support services; information and referrals to assist the victim; community-based services and the development/distribution of materials related to available services.

The facility also has an MOU with the Crisis Center located in Odessa, Texas. The Executive Director of the Crisis Center was contacted to confirm and review the terms of the MOU renewed on 6/24/14. The Crisis Center provides a 24-hour emotional support hotline for residents. The Executive Director stated there are staff advocates available to answer the 24-hour hotline. The Crisis Center can provide residents information on their services over the phone or via mail. If a resident calls and reports sexual abuse, advocates would encourage the resident to

report this information at the facility or advise them to call law enforcement. The Crisis Center would obtain consent and a release of information from the victim prior to contacting Reality House if the victim requests the advocate's assistance with reporting the allegation to the facility. All calls are confidential and residents can remain anonymous upon request. When a resident calls the emotional support hotline, the advocate answering the phone would do an intake and determine the needs of the caller. Services include safety planning, counseling, case management and references for further information. Due to the distance from the Crisis Center to Reality House, the Crisis Center cannot provide accompaniment for forensic exams or provide legal advocacy. All other services can be provided remotely and are provided at no cost to the resident.

115.221 (e): Residents are made aware of the confidential emotional support services available to them on page 10 of the *PREA Education Manual for Residents* and on PREA posters displayed throughout the facility. When interviewed, residents were aware of the confidential emotional support services available to them and how to access them. In interview of the agency's PREA Coordinator he stated, "GEO policy requires each facility to ensure residents are offered access to a community-based provider capable of providing emotional support, crisis intervention, information, and referrals during the forensic medical examination process and investigatory interviews. In the event a community-based provider is unavailable, an agency staff member is trained on the provision of victim advocacy services."

115.221 (f): The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager is responsible for conducting administrative investigations of allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The facility provided copies of a certificates of completion of specialized investigative training of the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager and the Social Services Coordinator. Criminal investigations are conducted by the Brownsville Police Department. The facility does not have an MOU with the Brownsville Police Department, but a letter dated 8/2/23 from the Chief of Police of the Brownsville Police Department to the Facility Director shows Reality House has a written agreement for the Police Department to respond and investigate any allegation of sexual abuse made by a resident or staff member.

115.222 Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investigations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.222 (a): GEO policy 5.1.2-E, page 4, section III-A-1 and facility policy 0803-1, page 7, sections 2 & 3 outline the agency's policy and procedures for investigating and documenting incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The agency ensures that an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including resident-on-resident sexual abuse or staff sexual misconduct. In interview with the Director, Quality

Assurance and Reentry Services (Agency Head Designee) he stated, "An administrative and/or criminal investigation of all allegations of sexual abuse or harassment is required by GEO corporate and local facility policies. Based on client contract requirements, an investigation would be conducted by either the client investigative unit, local law enforcement (if criminal) or a trained GEO facility investigator." He further stated, "GEO has a cadre of staff in the reentry division that have received PREA Specialized Investigations Training. Reentry services also utilizes local, state or federal agencies to investigate these type allegations, based on client contract requirements. All PREA allegations are documented and referred to an agency with the legal authority to conduct criminal investigations unless the allegation does not involve criminal behavior."

115.222 (b): Upon receipt of an allegation of sexual abuse, the supervisor receiving the report immediately notifies the Facility Director. The Facility Director will make immediate notification to the PREA Coordinator, to the Director, Fidelity & Quality Assurance, to GEO's Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) (if the allegation involved staff), and to the BOP Residential Reentry Manager and the GEO Reentry Services Regional Director. The facility initiates an administrative investigation and if it is determined that the allegation involved potential criminal activity, a referral is made to the Brownsville Police Department who conducts a criminal investigation. It is the responsibility of the Brownsville Police Department to ensure that all forensic evidence is collected and preserved in accordance with evidence protocols established by the Department of Justice. In interview of the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager, who is the facility's trained investigator, she knew her responsibility of referring any allegations that appear to be criminal to the Brownsville Police Department. The agency documents all referral of allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment for criminal investigation. A Serious Incident Report is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse. All allegations are tracked on the PREA Monthly Incident Outcome Tracking Log.

115.222 (c): The agency policy regarding the referral of allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment for criminal investigation is published on the GEO website http://www.geogroup.com/reporting_sexual_abuse-prea. In the past 12 months, there were two allegations of sexual abuse reported and investigated. There were no allegations of sexual harassment reported in the past 12 months.

	115.231	Employee training
		Auditor Overall Determination: Exceeds Standard
		Auditor Discussion
		115.231 (a): GEO employees receive training on GEO's zero-tolerance policy (5.1.2-A), Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program (PREA)

for Adult Prison and Jail and Adult Community Confinement, at pre-service and annually at in-service. The agency's requirement of this training is found on pages 13 & 14, section F-1. Between trainings, the facility has monthly staff meetings where PREA is reviewed and discussed. The pre-service and in-service training curriculums were reviewed and found to address all elements of 115.231 (a) as required by this standard. The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager provides staff PREA training. In interview of staff, they confirmed completing PREA training and confirmed what the training entailed.

115.231 (b): The training is tailored to meet the needs of male and female residents. Employees who are reassigned from facilities housing only one gender of residents are given additional training to meet the needs of the opposite gender population. Between trainings, PREA is discussed during monthly staff meetings.

115.231 (c): On information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire and in interview with the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager in the past 12 months, all Reality House staff have received this training as verified by review of 19 employee training files. In interview with staff, they were able to confirm receiving this training and knew their responsibilities for preventing and responding to allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

115.231 (d): For pre-service training staff sign a *Pre-Service Training Record* acknowledging completion of PREA training. Annually during in-service training staff sign a *Training Roster* and a *PREA Basic Acknowledgement* form acknowledging they have received and understood the PREA training they received. Staff also receive the *Guidance in Cross-Gender and Transgender Pat Searches* training and sign a training roster and a *Cross Gender & Pat Searches & Searches of Transgender and Intersex* form upon completion of this training. Documentation of PREA training is maintained by the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager. In review of 19 employee training records documentation of PREA training revealed training is completed annually. The facility exceeds in this standard as was evident by review of the training curriculums, staff training records and the overall knowledge of staff in response to interview questions.

115.232 Volunteer and contractor training

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.232 (a): GEO policy 5.1.2-A states that all contractors and volunteers shall receive training on the agency's policy on zero tolerance for sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Guidelines on volunteer training can be found on pages 14 & 15, section G-1, and contractor training on pages 15 & 16, section H-1 Reality house does not utilize the services of contractors. The facility currently has three

volunteers.

115.232 (b): The training curriculum *Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program (PREA Orientation and Training)* was provided for review. Volunteers are trained on their responsibilities under GEO's sexual abuse and harassment prevention, detection and response policies and procedures including their responsibility and method of reporting any knowledge, suspicion or information regarding an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment.

115.232 (c): Volunteers sign a *PREA Basic Acknowledgement* form acknowledging that have received and understood the training provided to them. In review of volunteer training records, all three volunteers have completed this training, and the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager maintains documentation of completion of this training. In interview of one of the volunteers, she confirmed receiving volunteer training and knew her responsibilities in reporting allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

115.233 Resident education

Auditor Overall Determination: Exceeds Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.233 (a): Based on GEO policy 5.1.2-A, pages 12 & 13 section E-2 and facility policy 1702-1, pages 3 & 4, all residents receive information at time of intake and if transferred from another facility about the zero-tolerance policy and how to report incidents of sexual abuse or sexual harassment, their rights to be free from retaliation for reporting such incidents and are informed of the agency policy and procedures for responding to such incidents. The Case Managers or Counselors provide comprehensive resident PREA education to resident at intake. Residents interviewed confirmed receiving written PREA information upon intake and viewing the *PREA*: What You Need to Know video. Case Managers and Counselors when interview confirmed what information is provided to residents upon intake. In interview of 18 residents, all residents interviewed stated they received PREA information and viewed the PREA video when they were assigned to the facility.

115.233 (b): Residents who transfer from another community confinement facility receive the same PREA education as all residents assigned to the facility. In information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire, in the past 12 months there was one resident who transferred from a different community confinement center.

115.233 (c): Resident education is presented in formats accessible to all residents. In the past 12 months, 312 residents admitted to the facility received PREA education. Upon intake residents view a *PREA: What You Need to Know* video, which is available in both English and Spanish, and receive a *PREA Education Manual for Residents,* available in English and Spanish. Spanish speaking staff are available for Spanish translation and Language Line Services, Inc. is used for the translation of

any other languages and offer remote video interpretation for deaf or hard of hearing residents. All posted PREA information is posted in English and Spanish. Four limited English proficient (Spanish) residents interviewed reported receiving PREA written information in Spanish.

115.233 (d): Residents acknowledge by their signature on a *Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Resident Manual Acknowledgement* form that they have received a copy of the *PREA Education Manual for Residents*. They also sign another acknowledgement form acknowledging viewing the *PREA What You Need to Know* video, receiving training on the zero-tolerance policy, their right to report and their right to free medical and mental health care. The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager maintains this documentation.

115.233 (e): Ongoing PREA information is provided on numerous posters, both in English and Spanish, found during the site review to be prominently displayed in various locations throughout the facility, including in all resident rooms. Every Tuesday House Meetings are held where PREA is frequently discussed.

When interviewed, residents were knowledgeable of the zero-tolerance policy and the methods of reporting available to them. It was evident that the facility has done an excellent job of informing residents and makes PREA information continuously accessible at all times. The facility was found to exceed in the requirements of this standard.

115.234 Specialized training: Investigations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.234 (a): Based on GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 13, section F-3, in addition to general education provided to all employees, GEO ensures that facility investigators receive training on conducting sexual abuse investigations in confinement settings in addition to general PREA training provided to all employees. At Reality House, the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager and the Social Service Coordinator are trained facility investigators. Upon interview, both facility investigators confirmed completing specialized investigations training and were knowledgeable of their responsibilities in conducting sexual abuse and sexual harassment administrative investigations.

115.234 (b): In review of the *Specialized Training: Investigating Sexual Abuse in Correctional Settings* training curriculum, the training includes techniques for interviewing sexual abuse victims, proper use of the Miranda and Garrity warnings, sexual abuse evidence collection in confinement settings and the criteria and evidence required to substantiate a case for administrative action or referral for

prosecution. In interview, the facility investigators, confirmed some of the topics addressed in the training.

115.234 (c): The facility maintains documentation showing the investigators have received specialized training for investigations and have completed general PREA education provided to all employees. The facility provided Certificates of Completion for the facility investigators and PREA Basic Acknowledgement forms for general PREA training and PREA Basic Acknowledgement forms and Cross Gender & Pat Searches & Searches of Transgender and Intersex acknowledgement forms.

115.235	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	115.235 (a): According to GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 14, section F-2, in addition to general training provided to all employees, GEO ensures all full and part-time Qualified Health Care Professionals and Qualified Mental Health Professionals, who work regularly in their facilities shall specialized medical training.
	The Reality House does not employ medical or mental health staff; therefore, this standard is not applicable to this facility. All medical and mental health services are provided by referral to off-site providers.

Auditor Overall Determination: Exceeds Standard Auditor Discussion 115.241 (a): Based on GEO policy 5.1.2-A, pages 8 & 9, section D-1 and facility policy 1702-1, pages 2 & 3, section VI-B, all offenders placed at Reality House are assessed for their risk of being sexually abused or sexually abusive towards others upon arrival to the facility by a Case Manager. Residents are not disciplined for refusing to answer any questions or for not disclosing complete information. In addition to the screening form, a thorough review of any available records that can assist in determining risk assessment is completed. Case Managers interviewed confirmed the screening process. Residents interviewed confirmed being screened

upon intake to the facility.

- 115.241 (b): According to policy, intake screening is conducted within 24 hours of a resident's arrival to the facility, exceeding in the 72-hour requirement of this provision. In information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire, in the past 12 months, 304 residents assigned to the facility were screened upon arrival for their risk of sexual victimization and sexual abusiveness. Residents interviewed confirmed being screened on the first day of arrival to the facility. Case Managers interviewed confirmed screenings are conducted within the first 24 hours of a resident's arrival to the facility.
- 115.241 (c): Screenings are conducted using GEO's *PREA Risk Assessment* form, an objective screening tool.
- 115.241 (d): The form was reviewed and found to contain all requirements of 115.241 (b) of this standard.
- 115.241 (e): The initial screening considers prior acts of sexual abuse, prior convictions for violent offenses, and history of prior institutional violence or sexual abuse in assessing residents for risk of being sexually abusive, as confirmed by interview of Case Managers.
- 115.241 (f): Within a set time, not to exceed 30 days of the resident's arrival to the facility, their Case Manager uses the *PREA Vulnerability Reassessment Questionnaire* (HWH 38) to reassess residents for their risk for victimization and abusiveness. According to information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire, in the past 12 months 253 residents assigned to the facility whose length of stay was over 30 days were reassessed for their risk of victimization or abusiveness. In review.of 15 resident records to determine compliance with screening procedures, residents are being reassessed as required and within the required 30-day timeframe.
- 115.241 (g): A resident's risk level will also be reassessed when warranted due to a referral, request, incident of sexual abuse, or receipt of additional information. The *PREA Risk Assessments* and *PREA Vulnerability Reassessment Questionnaires* are filed in a binder maintained by the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager. There were two allegations of sexual abuse reported in the past 12 months. In review of investigation files, the alleged victims were reassessed using the *PREA Vulnerability Reassessment Questionnaire* following their report of an allegation of sexual abuse.
- 115.241 (h): Residents are not disciplined for refusing to answer or for not disclosing complete information in response to questions asked on the screening form.
- 115.241 (i): GEO implements appropriate control of risk screening information. In interview with the PREA Coordinator he stated, "Access to a resident's risk assessment is limited to those requiring the information to make housing, work assignments and program/education decisions." To maintain confidentiality, only

the Facility Director, the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager and Case Managers have access to screening information.

In interview of the Case Managers and the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager and in review of 15 residents' records, this process is in place and the facility is doing an excellent job in screening residents for risk of victimization and abusiveness and were found to exceed in the requirements of this standard.

115.242 Use of screening information

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.242 (a): The agency uses the information from the risk screening form to make housing, bed, work, education and program assignments with the goal of separating residents at high risk of being sexually victimized from residents with those at high risk of being sexually abusive. Individualized determinations are made about how to ensure the safety of each resident. GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 10, section D-3 and facility policy 1701-1, page 3, section 2, explains the use of PREA screening information. In interview of the PREA Coordinator he stated, "GEO has developed and implemented a standardized PREA Risk Assessment screening form used at each facility, except for those contractually required to use the client's screening tool. Corporate policy requires each facility to conduct risk assessments on all new intakes within 24 hours of arrival to a facility. Residents who score "at risk", for victimization or abuse are referred for medical and/or mental health assessments as required and tracked on an "at risk log", which contains, at a minimum, their status as a potential victim/perpetrator and housing location. The facility's designated PREA Compliance Manager is responsible for reviewing each assessment to ensure proper completion and maintaining the "at risk log", to ensure potential victims and abusers are housed separately."

115.242 (b): Individualized determinations on a case-by-case basis are made about how to ensure the safety of each resident. In interview with the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager and Case Managers they explained how the facility utilizes screening information from the *PREA Risk Assessment* form for this purpose. Residents who score at risk of victimization or abusiveness are referred for further evaluation using the *PREA Risk Assessment Referral* form. Residents have an option of refusing these services. Those identified to be at risk are tracked on an "at risk" log. In review of resident records, residents who scored at risk of victimization or abusiveness were offered a referral to mental health.

115.242 (c): Guidelines on housing and program assignments for the management of transgender and intersex residents are outlined in GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 11,

section D-3, 2, 3, 4. In deciding whether to assign a transgender or intersex resident to a facility for male or female residents, GEO considers on a case-by-case basis whether the placement would ensure the resident's health and safety and whether the placement would present management or security problems. In interview with the PREA Coordinator he stated, "GEO's policy requires each facility to establish a Transgender Care Committee (TCC) consisting of the facility administrator, chief of security, classification or case management supervisor, medical and/or mental health staff and the PREA Compliance Manager. I may also be consulted as necessary. The TCC must meet as soon as possible but no later than 72 hours after the resident's arrival. In the event the TCC cannot meet immediately, transgender residents may be house in medical during the 72-hour time frame. The TCC is responsible for making all decisions pertaining to housing and program assignments for transgender residents."

115.242 (d): Transgender and intersex residents' own view of his or her safety is given serious consideration. In interview with the PREA Coordinator he stated, "Transgender and intersex residents are asked whether they have any safety concerns or housing preferences during completion of both the GEO *PREA Risk Assessment* and Transgender Care Committee Summary. Both documents are utilized to advise housing/program decisions. "At the time of the onsite audit visit there were no transgender or intersex residents assigned to Reality House.

115.242 (e): Transgender and intersex residents are given the opportunity to shower separately from other residents. The PREA Coordinator stated, "GEO has developed and implemented a standardized State of Search/Shower/Pronoun Preference form used at each facility except for those contractually required to use the client's tool. The preference form offers the resident the option to shower separately from the resident population." In interview with the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager and Case Managers they confirmed transgender and intersex residents would be offered the opportunity to shower alone at designated times.

115.242 (f): The agency shall not place lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or intersex residents in dedicated facilities, units or wings solely on the basis of such identification or status, unless such placement is in a dedicated facility, unit or wing established in connection with a consent decree, legal settlement or legal judgement for the purpose of protecting such residents. In interview with the PREA Coordinator he stated, "There are no GEO facilities under a consent decree or other legal judgement. GEO policy prohibits housing LGBTI residents in dedicated facilities, units or wings and the facility considers each resident's own views about their safety as part of the initial PREA risk screening assessment. The PREA Compliance Manager maintains an *LGBTI Log* of residents who choose to disclose their sexual orientation, genital status, or gender identity during intake to track housing locations of LGBTI residents and ensure fair placement." In interview of one resident who self-disclosed being lesbian and one who self-disclosed being bisexual, they both stated they did not feel they were housed any differently because of their sexual orientation.

115.251 Resident reporting

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.251 (a): GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 19, section L-1 and facility policy 1702-1, page 4, last paragraph, outline the agency/facility's responsibility for providing residents methods of reporting. The agency provides multiple ways for residents to privately report sexual abuse and sexual harassment and retaliation by other residents or staff for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment and any staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to such incidents. Residents are made aware of methods of reporting available to them through the *PREA Education Manual for Residents* (page 10) provided to them upon intake, on the *Resident Reporting Options* poster and continuously through other posters and brochures displayed throughout the facility. Residents are made aware that they can verbally inform any staff member, the Facility Director or the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager immediately or in writing. Residents can also file a grievance. Staff and residents interviewed were aware of the available reporting methods.

115.251 (b): Residents are also informed that they have options to report abuse or harassment to a public or private entity that is not part of the agency. They are informed they can call the Crisis Center at 1-866-627-4747 to report sexual assault or dial *3 on a resident pay phone, Friendship of Women at 945-544-7412 or dial *6 or contact RAINN at 800-656-4673 or dial *2. They are also given the number to the Brownsville Police Department (956-548-7000) and to the Bureau of Prisons Residential Reentry Office (210-472-6225). In interview of the PREA Coordinator he stated, "GEO policy requires each facility to provide residents contact information on how to report abuse or harassment to an office that is not part of the agency. At a minimum, facilities provide the contracting agency's reporting line(s) (ICE, USMS, BOP, etc.). Many facilities also provide contact information for local and/or national entities capable of receiving reports of abuse or harassment. GEO policy requires each facility to provide residents contact information to external entities capable of receiving and immediately reporting sexual abuse and harassment to agency officials while allowing the reporting individual to remain anonymous. The agency continually audits each facility for compliance with PREA standards, which includes manual testing of reporting lines to ensure residents are capable of reporting incidents without entering any personally identifiable information. Audits are conducted by facility staff as well as corporate personnel throughout the year." The

phone number for the Crisis Center was dialed on a resident telephone and was found not to be accessible. Post audit, the phone was repaired, and the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager verified through an email the phone number was accessible. The number to RAINN was dialed and the call was forwarded to Friendship of Women. A call directly to Friendship of Women was answered. The person who answered the call stated the procedure that is followed is to get general information from the caller and an advocate would return their call. Residents and staff interviewed were aware of resident reporting options available to them.

115.251 (c): Staff must take all allegations of sexual abuse and harassment seriously whether they be made verbally, in writing, anonymously and from third parties and are required to document all reports. Staff interviewed knew the reporting options for residents and knew verbal reports must be promptly documented. Staff who fail to report allegations may be subject to disciplinary action. Staff interviewed also knew they must only relay information of allegations to those who need to know.

115.251 (d): Staff have access to private reporting by calling the Employee Hotline at 866-568-5425 or the Corporate PREA Coordinator at 561-999-5827. Information for resident and staff reporting can be found on the GEO website (www.reportlineweb.com/geogroup). Section I of the Employee Handbook inform employees of their responsibility of reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Staff carry with them a Sexual Abuse First Responder Card affixed to their badges, which has the employee hotline number and the website address for anonymous reporting. Residents and staff interviewed were well versed in the methods of reporting available to them.

115.252 Exhaustion of administrative remedies

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.252 (a): In review of GEO policy 5.1.2-A, pages 19 & 20, sectionLK-2, and facility policy 0805-1, *Grievance Process*, pages 4 & 5, there is a procedure in place for residents to submit grievances regarding sexual abuse and the agency has procedures for dealing with these grievances. Instructions on how to file grievances are provided on pages 8 & 9 of the *PREA Education Manual for Residents*. Upon arrival to the facility, residents receive a copy of the *PREA Education Manual for Residents*.

115.252 (b): There is no time limit when a resident can submit a grievance regarding sexual abuse. Residents are not required to use any informal grievance process or attempt to resolve this type of grievance prior to submission. If a third-party file a grievance on a resident's behalf, the alleged victim must agree to have

the grievance filed on his behalf.

115.252 (c): Residents have a right to submit grievances alleging sexual abuse to someone other than the staff member who is the subject of the complaint and the grievance will not be referred to a staff member who is the subject of the complaint.

115.252 (d): The agency shall issue a final agency decision on the merits of any portion of the grievance alleging sexual abuse within 90 days of the initial filing of the grievance. The agency may claim an extension of time to respond, of up to 70 days, if the normal time period for response is insufficient to make an appropriate decision.

115.252 (e): Third parties can file grievances relating to allegations of sexual abuse on behalf of a resident. If a third-party file a request on behalf of a resident, the alleged victim must agree to have the request filed on their behalf. If the resident declines to have the grievance processed on his or her behalf, the agency will document the resident's decision.

115.252 (f): Emergency grievances may be filed if a resident feels he is at substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse. After receiving an emergency grievance, the agency will act immediately with corrective action. An initial response will be provided within 48 hours and a final agency decision within five calendar days.

115.252 (g): A resident can be disciplined for filing a grievance related to alleged sexual abuse if it is determined that the resident filed the grievance in bad faith.

The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager receives all copies of grievances relating to sexual abuse or sexual harassment for monitoring purposes. In information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire and in interview with the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager, In the past 12 months, there were no PREA-related grievances filed. Grievances received are logged on a *PREA Grievance Log*.

115.253 Resident access to outside confidential support services

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.253 (a): GEO policy 5.1.2-A, pages 25 & 26, section M-8, and facility policy 0803-1, page 11, section H-6, addresses the agency's policy on providing residents with access to outside victim advocates for emotional support services related to sexual abuse. Residents are given the telephone numbers to the Crisis Center (1-866-627-4747), Friendship of Women (956-544-7412), and RAINN (1-800-656-4673), where advocates are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

115.253 (b): This information is provided to residents in the *PREA Education Manual for Residents* and on *Resident Reporting Options* posters displayed throughout the facility. Residents are informed of the extent to which communications will be monitored and the extent to which reports of abuse will be forwarded to authorities in accordance with mandatory reporting laws.

115.253 (c): The GEO/Reality House has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Friendship of Women, renewed on 12/19/19. The Director of Operations of Friendship of Women was contacted to confirm and review the terms of MOU. Friendship of Women is a victim services provider. Crisis intervention services provided include a 24/7 emotional support hotline manned by paid advocate, peer support, hospital accompaniment for forensic exams, legal advocacy, and referrals to available community resources. Callers to the hotline can remain anonymous upon request. Advocates would offer ongoing services to victims, which includes mental health counseling. If a resident calls and reports sexual abuse, the resident would be encouraged to report this information to the facility. Friendship of Women provide educational sessions offered at Reality House every year. These sessions inform residents of the services provided by Friendship of Women. The Director of Operations stated the staff of Reality House has a good relationship with the Friendship of Women and are always willing to donate their time and services for events hosted by the Friendship of Women.

GEO/Reality House also have an MOU with the Crisis Center. The Executive Director of the Crisis Center was contacted to confirm and review the terms of the MOU renewed on 6/24/14. The Crisis Center provides a 24-hour emotional support hotline for residents. The Executive Director stated there are staff advocates available to answer the 24-hour hotline. The Crisis Center can provide residents information on their services over the phone or via mail. If a resident calls and reports sexual abuse, advocates would encourage the resident to report this information at the facility or advise them to call law enforcement. The Crisis Center would obtain consent and a release of information from the victim prior to contacting Reality House if the victim requests the advocate's assistance with reporting the allegation to the facility. All calls are confidential and residents can remain anonymous upon request. When a resident calls the emotional support hotline, the advocate answering the phone would do an intake and determine the needs of the caller. Services include safety planning, counseling, case management and references for further information. The Crisis Center is located in Odessa, TX. Due to the distance from their location to Reality House, they cannot provide accompaniment for forensic exams or provide legal advocacy. All other services can be provided remotely and are provided at no cost to the resident.

The phone number for the Crisis Center was dialed on a resident telephone during the site review and was found not to be accessible. Post audit, the phone was repaired, and the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager verified in an email that the number accessible. The number to RAINN was dialed and the call was forwarded to Friendship of Women. A call directly to Friendship of Women's phone number was answered. The person who answered the call stated the procedure is to get general information from the caller and an advocate would

return their call. Residents and staff interviewed were aware of resident reporting options available to them.

When interviewed, residents were aware of the outside confidential support services available to them and how to access them.

115.254 Third party reporting

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.254 (a): Based on GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 20, section L-3, the agency has a method to receive third-party reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment on behalf of individuals in a GEO facility or program. Third-party reporting posters in Spanish and English were found posted in public areas and information on third party reporting is found on the GEO website at http://www.geogroup.com/PREA (Social Responsibility-PREA Certification Section). Third-party reports can be made in person, in writing, anonymously or by contacting the agency's PREA Coordinator. Residents interviewed were aware of this method of reporting. During the past 12 months, there have been no reports of sexual abuse or sexual harassment made to the facility by a third party. Posted information about third-party reporting was found in various locations in the facility.

115.261 Staff and agency reporting duties

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.261 (a): The agency's requirement on staff reporting duties can be found pages 20 & 21, section L-4 of GEO policy 5.1.2-A. The facility's requirement on staff reporting duties can be found on page 6 of facility policy 0803-1. Staff must take all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment seriously. All staff are required to report immediately to the Facility Director or to the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager any knowledge, suspicion or information regarding an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment and any retaliation against residents or staff who report such an incident and any staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to an incident or retaliation. All allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including third party and anonymous reports, are reported to supervisors. The supervisor receiving the report immediately notifies the Facility Director. For an allegation of sexual abuse, the Facility Director will make notification to the PREA Coordinator, the Director,

Fidelity & Assurance and the BOP Residential Reentry Manager. If the allegation involves staff, notification is also made to GEO's OPR. Reporting responsibilities for volunteers is on page 15, section G-2 of policy 5.1.1-A and for contractors on page 16, section H-2.

115.261 (b): Apart from reporting to designated supervisors, staff shall not reveal any information related to a sexual abuse report to anyone other than to the extent necessary to make treatment, investigation and other security and management decisions. Staff interviewed confirmed this practice.

115.261 (c): Reality House does not have medical or mental health staff; therefore, this provision of the standard is not applicable to this facility. Medical and mental health services are provided offsite.

115.261 (d) Reality House houses adult male and female residents, none of whom according to their classified level of care are considered vulnerable adults under the State Vulnerable Persons Statue, as verified by interview with the Facility Director. Persons under the age of 18 are not housed at Reality House. If there is an allegation of a vulnerable adult, facilities are instructed to contact state or local service agencies under mandatory reporting laws. In interview with the Facility Director and on information provided, in the past 12 months there were no sexual abuse allegations that required reporting according to the Texas State Vulnerable Statues. In interview of the PREA Coordinator he stated, "Unless precluded by federal or local law, medical and mental health practitioners are required to report allegations of sexual abuse for alleged victims under the age of 18 or considered a vulnerable adult to designated state or local service agencies under applicable mandatory reporting laws." In interview the Facility Director reported she would check with corporate and with law enforcement about mandatory reporting laws if an allegation was made by a person who was considered a vulnerable adult.

115.261 (e): The facility will report all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including third-party to facility Investigators. In interview of the Facility Director, she stated she would refer all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager.

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard Auditor Discussion 115.262 (a): When the agency learns that a resident is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, it takes immediate action to protect the resident according to GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 19, section L-1 and facility policy 2014-6, section VI. In interview with the Director, Quality Assurance and Reentry Services

(Agency Head Designee) he stated, "The agency takes immediate action to protect the victim from further harm and refers the resident for necessary offsite services (medical, mental health, etc.)."

In interview with the Facility Director and documentation provided, there were no times during the past 12 months that it was necessary for the agency to take immediate action in regard to a resident being in substantial risk of sexual abuse. Staff interviewed were aware of their responsibilities if they felt a resident was at risk for sexual abuse.

115.263 Reporting to other confinement facilities

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.263 (a): GEO policy 5.1.2-A, pages 24 & 25, section M-5 was used to verify compliance to this standard. Upon receiving an allegation that a resident was sexually abused while confined at another facility, the allegation will be documented and the Facility Director or his designee shall notify the head of the facility where the sexual abuse was alleged to have occurred and document that notification was provided. This notification is to occur as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours of receiving the allegation and should include all actions taken regarding the incident. Copies of this documentation will be forwarded to the PREA Coordinator and the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager.

115.263 (b): In interview with the Facility Director and in review of documentation provided, in the past 12 months, no residents of Reality House alleged that sexual abuse had occurred while they were confined to another facility. The Facility Director stated if such an allegation was made, she would notify the head of the other facility within 72 hours of receiving the allegation.

115.263 (c): The agency shall document that notification was provided.

115.263 (d) If a report is received from another facility regarding alleged sexual abuse occurring at Reality House, the allegation will be reported and investigated according to PREA standards. In interview with the Facility Director, in the past 12 months, there were no allegations of sexual abuse received from other facilities. She stated if she receives such an allegation, she will immediately investigate. In interview with the Director, Quality Assurance and Reentry Services (Agency Head Designee) he stated, "When a facility receives such an allegation, the allegation will be referred to designated investigators (internal or external) for investigation. GEO's PREA Coordinator is also informed of all allegations of this type via email."

115.264 Staff first responder duties

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.264 (a): GEO policy 5.1.2-A, pages 21 & 22, section M-2, outlines the procedure for first responders to follow for allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment whether that person is a security or non-security staff member. Per policy, upon learning of an allegation of sexual abuse, the first security staff member to respond to the report is to separate the alleged victim and abuser, immediately notify the on-duty or on-call supervisor, preserve and protect the crime scene, not let the alleged victim or abuser take any actions that could destroy physical evidence and not reveal to anyone information related to the incident to anyone other than staff involved with investigating the alleged incident.

115.264 (b): If the first responder is not a security staff member, the responder is to request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence and notify security staff. All staff carry with them a *Sexual Abuse First Responder Card* affixed to their badges reminding them of the steps to take if they are the first responders to an allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment. Random interviews with security and non-security staff revealed that they knew the policy and practice to follow if they were the first responder to an allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment. They reported that they knew that the alleged victim and abuser must be separated and knew how to preserve the crime scene and preserve the physical evidence. In the past 12 months, there have been no PREA incidents that required implementing first responder duties. The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager reported the two allegations reported in the past 12 months were reported in writing.

115.265 Coordinated response

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.265 (a): GEO policy 5.1.2-A, pages 5 & 6, section III-A-4 and review of the Reality House *PREA Coordinated Response Plan* verified there is a plan in place to coordinate actions to be taken in response to an incident of sexual abuse. The plan provides written guidance to staff and administration regarding actions to take and notifications to be made. A *PREA After-Action Checklist for Incidents of Sexual Abuse and Harassment is* completed to ensure that all steps of the plan and proper notifications are made. This checklist is filed with the completed investigative packet. The Facility Director and/or the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager are responsible to ensure compliance to the plan. Staff interviewed

confirmed they are knowledgeable of the plan and the necessary actions to be taken in response to an allegation of sexual abuse.

Preservation of ability to protect residents from contact with 115.266 abusers Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion** 115.266 (a): GEO policy 5.1.2-E, pages 5 & 6, section A-2 and policy 5.1.2-E, page 2, section A-2, was used to verify compliance to this standard. In all cases where the alleged abuser is an employee, contractor or a volunteer, there will be no contact between the alleged abuser and the alleged victim pending the outcome of an investigation. Separation orders requiring "no contact" shall be documented by facility management via email or memorandum within 24 hours of the reported allegation and maintained in the corresponding investigative file. Reality House does not have a collective bargaining unit. In interview with the Director, Quality Assurance and Reentry Services (Agency Head Designee) he stated, "The reentry services division currently has three facilities which have a collective bargaining agreement. Delaney Hall (NJ), Tully House (NJ) and The Harbor (NJ). None of the language in the collective bargaining agreement precludes investigations and disciplinary action against staff, up to and including termination for substantiated allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment."

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard Auditor Discussion 115.267 (a): GEO has as policy to protect residents who report sexual abuse or sexual harassment or cooperate with sexual abuse or sexual harassment investigations from retaliation by other residents or staff as outlined in policy 5.1.2-A, pages 26 & 27, section N-2 and in facility policy 0803-1, pages 12 & 13, section H-2. 115.267 (b): The agency has multiple protection measures, such as housing changes or transfers for residents, victims or abusers, removal of alleged staff or resident abusers from contact with victims and emotional support services for

residents or staff that fear retaliation for reporting sexual abuse or sexual harassment or for cooperating with investigations. If any other individual who cooperates with an investigation expresses a fear of retaliation, appropriate measures to protect that individual against retaliation are put in place. According to the Director, Quality Assurance and Reentry Services (Agency Head Designee), "When a PREA incident is reported, management staff, on a case-by-case basis, consider the best options for the victim like housing changes or transfers from the facility, removal of alleged abusers, whether staff or resident, and emotional support services." In interview with the Facility Director, she explained what measures she would take to protect alleged victims from retaliation, such as housing changes for residents.

115.267 (c): The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager and Social Service Coordinator are responsible for weekly monitoring for retaliation for at least 90 days and longer if there is a continuing need. Monitoring is documented on the *Protection from Retaliation Log - Reentry* for residents and employee retaliations monitoring is documented on the *Employee Protection from Retaliation Log*. Completed logs are filed in the corresponding investigative file. In the past 12 months, there were no incidents of retaliation that occurred. When interviewed, the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager and Social Service Coordinator knew their responsibilities for monitoring for retaliation per policy. In review of the two allegations reported in the past 12 months, retaliation monitoring forms were filed in the corresponding investigation files.

115.271 Criminal and administrative agency investigations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.271 (a): An administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment at Reality House, including third party and anonymous reports. The agency's policy on administrative and criminal investigations is outlined in GEO policy 5.1.2-E, pages 2-4, section II-B-1. Investigations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment are required to be investigated promptly, thoroughly and objectively as stated on page 2, section B-12-d of GEO policy 5.1.2-E. The supervisor receiving the report of an allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment immediately notifies the Facility Director who notifies the PREA Coordinator, the Director, Fidelity & Assurance and the BOP Residential Reentry Manager or USPO. If the allegation involves a staff member, notification is made to GEO's OPR. All allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment are documented on the Monthly PREA Incident Tracking Log. In interview of facility investigators, they confirmed when allegations are reported they immediately initiate an investigation. They also confirmed that anonymous and third-party allegations are also immediately investigated. In the past 12 months there were two allegations of sexual abuse reported and investigated.

- 115.271 (b): The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manage and the Social Service Coordinator are the trained facility investigators responsible for conducting administrative investigations. The facility provided certificates of completion of specialized investigation training for the facility investigators. When interviewed, investigators confirmed completing specialized investigation training and were able to describe some of the topics covered in that training.
- 115.271 (c): The Investigators gathers and preserves direct and circumstantial evidence, including physical and DNA evidence and available electronic monitoring data. In interview of Investigators, they reported they interview the alleged victims, suspected perpetrators and witnesses and review prior complaints and reports of sexual abuse involving the suspected perpetrator. When interviewed the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager reported she would first notify the customer (BOP or USPO) and inform them before gathering any evidence. Some of the evidence she would collect is statements, camera footage and phone records. The Social Services Coordinator reported she would make notifications and get statements. Both investigators reported they would not handle anonymous or third-party reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment any differently. An investigation of any allegation is immediately initiated.
- 115,271 (d): The Brownsville Police Department conducts criminal investigations of sexual abuse. Facility investigators stated during interview, if an allegation appears to be criminal, they will consult with prosecutors before conducting compelled interviews.
- 115.271 (e): The credibility of an alleged victim, suspect or witness is assessed on an individual basis and is not determined by the person's status as resident or staff. A resident who alleges sexual abuse is not required to submit to a polygraph examination. GEO retains all written reports pertaining to administrative investigations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment for as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or staff member is employed by the agency, plus five years.
- 115.271 (f): The administrative investigation will include an effort to determine whether staff actions or failures to act contributed to the abuse. The administrative investigation shall be documented in a written report and include a description of the physical and testimonial evidence, the reasoning behind credibility assessments and investigative facts and findings.
- 115.271 (g): A criminal investigation shall be documented in a written report that contains a thorough description of physical, testimonial and documentary evidence. The facility will request a copy of the completed investigative report from the Brownsville Police Department. Upon receipt, the report will be forwarded to the corporate PREA Manager.
- 115.271 (h): Substantiated allegations of conduct that appears to be criminal will be referred for prosecution. When the quality of evidence appears to support criminal prosecution, the allegation is referred to the Brownsville Police Department who conduct criminal investigations pursuant to the requirements of this standard. Since the initial PREA audit, there were no substantiated allegations of sexual

abuse that were referred for criminal investigation.

115.271 (i): GEO retains all written reports pertaining to administrative investigations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment for as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or staff member is employed by the agency, plus five years, but the files shall be retained for no less that ten years.

115.271 (j): The departure of the alleged abuser or victim from the employment or control of the facility or agency shall not provide a basis for terminating an investigation. Facility investigators interviewed confirmed this practice.

115.271 (k): Any state entity or Department of Justice component that conducts such investigations shall do so pursuant to the above requirements. This provision is not applicable to this agency/facility.

115.271 (I): The facility shall cooperate with outside investigators and remain informed of the progress of the investigation through communication with outside investigators. In interview of the agency's PREA Coordinator he stated, "Facilities are instructed to request an update from the outside law enforcement entity at least monthly to track the status of the investigation. The investigation outcome affects monitoring for retaliation, inmate notices of outcomes, and sexual abuse incident reviews. Generally, the facility directors have developed great working relationships with these entities so there is regular dialogue about the status of open investigations." In interview the Facility Director stated they would contact the police department for status updates. Facility investigators reported they would provide any documentation needed to the Brownsville Police Department and assist them in any way they could.

115.272 Evidentiary standard for administrative investigations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.272 (a): Based on GEO policy 5.1.2, -E, pages 4 & 5, section B-2-d, the agency/ facility shall impose no standard higher than the preponderance of evidence in determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated. In review of investigative reports, this is stated in written reports. When the facility investigators were asked what standard of evidence was used in determining if an allegation is substantiated, they confirmed the agency policy.

115.273 Reporting to residents

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.273 (a): GEO policy 5.1.2-E, pages 10 & 11, section III-K and facility policy 0803-1, pages 11 & 12, section J were used to verify compliance to this standard. The policies indicate that following an investigation of sexual abuse of a resident, the resident shall be informed as to whether the allegation has been determined to be substantiated, unsubstantiated or unfounded. The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager is responsible to present to the resident the *Notification of Outcome of Allegation* form which the resident signs. This form is retained in the investigative file of the corresponding PREA incident. In the past 12 months, there were two allegations of sexual abuse reported. In one case the alleged victim was released prior to the conclusion of the investigation. The *Notification of Outcome of Allegation* was prepared and found filed in the investigation file. The alleged victim of the second allegation was returned to custody. a *Notification of Outcome of Allegation* was prepared and found filed in the investigative file.

115.273 (b): If the facility did not conduct the investigation, the facility shall request the relevant information from the investigative agency in order to inform the resident.

115.273 (c): The policy further states that following a resident's allegation that an employee has committed sexual abuse against the resident the facility is required to inform the resident of the outcome of the investigation, unless the facility has determined that the allegation was unfounded.

115.273 (d): Following a resident's allegation that another resident sexually abused him, the agency shall inform the resident of the outcome of the investigation. The facility's obligation to notify the resident shall terminate if the resident is released from custody.

115.273 (e): All notifications or attempted notifications are documented and retained in the corresponding investigation file. Based on interview with the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager, the process of providing notification to resident victims at the conclusion of an investigation is in place and being followed.

115.276 Disciplinary sanctions for staff

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.276 (a): Employees shall be subject to disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination for violating the agency's sexual abuse policy as outlined in GEO policy 5.1.2-E, page 10, section L-1. The GEO Employee Handbook is provided to all staff. Page 27 of the GEO Employee Handbook explains the zero-tolerance policy for employees and the sanctions that would be imposed for violations of that policy.

115.276 (b): Termination shall be the presumptive disciplinary sanction for staff who have engaged in sexual abuse.

115.276 (c): According to GEO policy 5.1.2-E, page 10, section L-1-c, disciplinary sanctions for violations of agency policies relating to sexual abuse or sexual harassment (other than actually engaging in sexual abuse) shall be commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the acts committed, the staff member's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other staff with similar histories.

115.276 (d): All terminations for violations of the agency's policies on sexual abuse and sexual harassment, or resignations, shall be reported to law enforcement and licensing agencies unless the activity was clearly not criminal.

In information provided by the facility, in the past 12 months no staff has been disciplined or terminated for violating the agency's sexual abuse or sexual harassment policy.

115.277 Corrective action for contractors and volunteers

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.277 (a): Based on review of GEO policy 5.1.2- A, page 15, section G-3 (volunteers), page 16, section H-3 (contractors) and policy 5.1.2-E, page 11, section L-3, any volunteer or contractor who engages in sexual abuse is prohibited from contact with residents and shall be reported to law enforcement agencies and licensing boards, unless the activity was clearly not criminal.

115.277 (b): The facility shall take appropriate remedial measures and shall consider whether to prohibit further contact with residents, in the case of any other violation of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies by a contractor or volunteer. Reality House does not utilize the services of contractors. and has three volunteers. In the past 12 months, no volunteers have violated the agency/facility's zero-tolerance policies. In interview with the Facility Director she stated if this were

to occur, the volunteer would not be allowed access to the facility pending the outcome of the investigation.

115.278 Disciplinary sanctions for residents

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.278 (a): According to facility policy 0803-1, page 13, section N-2, the BOP and the USPO are the supervising authorities over all residents at Reality House. If a resident is found guilty of engaging in sexual abuse involving another resident, it will be reported to the BOP Residential Reentry Manager who will determine whether to subject the offender to formal disciplinary sanctions. Residents are made aware of sexual misconduct they will be disciplined for, and the sanctions imposed in the *Resident Handbook*, Chapter 2, Section 202. Code numbers 114, 205, 206, 229, 300 and 409 address prohibited acts of sexual misconduct and the sanctions that will be imposed for violation of these acts.

115.278 (b): According to policy, sanctions will be commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the abuse committed, the individual's disciplinary history and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other individuals with similar histories. In interview with the Facility Director, she would separate the residents and contact the Brownsville Police Department immediately.

- 115.278 (c): Based on GEO policy 5.1.2-E, page 11, section 2-c, the disciplinary process may consider whether an individual's mental disabilities or mental illness contributed to his or her behavior when determining what type of sanction, if any, should be imposed.
- 115.278 (d): The BOP and/or the USPO will determine if the offender will be required to participate in counseling or other interventions designed to address the reasons or motivations for the abuse.
- 115.278 (e): Disciplining an offender for sexual contact with an employee is prohibited unless it is found that the employee did not consent to the contact. The agency prohibits all sexual activity between residents.
- 115.278 (f): A report of sexual abuse made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief that the alleged conduct occurred shall not constitute falsely reporting an incident of lying, even if an investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation.
- 115.278 (g): Facilities may not deem that sexual activity between individuals in a

GEO facility is sexual abuse unless it is determined that the activity was coerced.

On information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire and in interview with the Facility Director, in the past 12 months, there were no disciplinary sanctions imposed related to resident sexual misconduct.

115.282 Access to emergency medical and mental health services

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.282 (a): Victims of sexual abuse receive timely, unimpeded access to emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services as stated in GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 25, section J-7- a & c and facility policy 0803-1, page 11, section C-7-c & e. Resident victims are referred to the Valley Baptist Medical Center, Harlingen, TX for SANE exams at no cost to the resident. Counseling services would be provided by referral to the Tropical Texas, Brownsville, TX.

115.282 (b): Reentry community confinement facilities shall utilize local community facilities to provide emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention if onsite medical and mental health providers are not available. Following a reported PREA allegation, a *Resident Referral Verification* form is used to document the offer for offsite mental health services was offered to the resident victim. The resident victim has an option of accepting or declining these services.

115.282 (c): Resident victims of sexual abuse are offered timely information about and timely access to emergency contraception and sexually transmitted infections prophylaxis, in accordance with professionally accepted standards of care, where medically appropriate. In interview with the Clinical Coordinator of the Child to Adult Abuse Response Team (CAART) of the Valley Baptist Medical Center, female victims are given a prescription for emergency contraception and all victims, male or female, are given a prescription for STD prophylaxis.

115.282 (d): All services are provided without financial cost to the victim, regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident. The Clinical Coordinator of CAART stated Crime Victims Compensation and the law enforcement agency would cover any costs incurred.

On information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire. in interview of the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager and the Clinical Coordinator of CAART, in the past 12 months there have been no residents requiring a SANE exam or emergency medical or mental health services due to sexual abuse.

115.283

Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

- 115.283 (a): According to GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 26, section N-1, Reality House will offer ongoing medical and mental health care to all the residents who have been victimized by sexual abuse.
- 115.283 (b): The evaluation and treatment will include follow-up services, treatment plans and referrals for continued care upon transfer or release consistent with the community level of care.
- 115.283 (c): Resident victims are offered ongoing medical treatment at the Valley Baptist Medical Center, Harlingen, TX and referred for mental health services at Tropical Texas, Brownsville, TX. The *Resident Referral Verification* form is used to document the offer for mental health services. The resident victim has an option of accepting or declining these services.
- 115.283 (d): Female victims of sexually abusive vaginal penetration are offered pregnancy tests. Referrals are made to the Valley Baptist Hospital for emergency and ongoing medical services.
- 115.283 (e): If pregnancy results shall receive timely and comprehensive information about access to all lawful pregnancy-related medical services and given a prescription for contraception prophylaxis.
- 115.283 (f): All resident victims are given a prescription for STD prophylaxis.
- 115.283 (g): All services will be provided without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident.
- 115.283 (h): The facility attempts to conduct a mental health evaluation of all known abusers within 60 days of learning of such abuse history and offers treatment when deemed appropriate. Mental health services are provided by referral to Tropical Texas.

In the past 12 months, there were no residents who required ongoing medical or mental health treatment due to being victimized by sexual abuse.

115.286 Sexual abuse incident reviews Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.286 (a): According to GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 28, section N-3 and facility policy 0803-1, page 1, section C-9-3, the facility is required to conduct a sexual abuse incident review at the conclusion of every sexual abuse investigation in which the allegation has been determined to be substantiated or unsubstantiated.

115.286 (b): The review occurs within 30 days of the conclusion of the investigation.

115.286 (c): The Facility Director, Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager, Security Manager and the Social Service Coordinator make up the facility's Incident Review Team. The team meets and the PREA Coordinator may attend via telephone or in person. In interview with the Facility Director, she confirmed the members of the Incident Review Team.

115.286 (d): Incident reviews are documented on a PREA after Action Review Report and forwarded to the PREA Coordinator no later than 10 working days after the review. When reviewing an incident, the SART considers the requirements of 115.286 (d) of this standard, which includes whether the incident was motivated by race, ethnicity, and gender identity, sexual orientation or gang affiliation. They examine the area in the facility where the incident alleged to have occurred to assess for physical barriers, assess the adequacy of staffing levels in the area during different shifts to include supervisory staff and assess whether monitoring technology should be deployed. All findings and recommendations for improvement are documented and submitted to the PREA Coordinator. In interview with the PREA Coordinator he stated, "Each facility is required to complete the GEO PREA After Action Review Report, within 30 days of case closure. Each review includes an examination of the five questions outlined in the standard and captures any recommendations made or corrective actions taken. Furthermore, the report includes an analysis of actions taken by staff and whether those actions complied with the corporate, facility and contracting agency's PREA policies. PREA Compliance Managers at each facility are required to upload the PREA After Action Review Report to the agency's secure PREA portal within 30 days of case closure. The corporate PREA compliance team monitor these reports and work with the facility to address issues as necessary. If an after-action report necessitates corrective action at the corporate level, the PREA Coordinator works with the applicable department heads to implement appropriate measures. To date, no systemic trends have been identified. The corporate PREA compliance team reviews this data annually to determine the improvements needed to enhance our PREA program. I review the recommended improvements and submit my recommendations to the divisional authority for reentry for review and approval." On information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire and in interview with the Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager, in the past 12 months there were two allegations of sexual abuse reported. One was determined to be unsubstantiated, and an after-action review was conducted on the same day of the finding. The second allegation of sexual abuse was determined to be unfounded following the completion of an administrative investigation. The facility is waiting

the disposition of the investigation conducted by BOP. The facility did conduct an after-action review following the conclusion of their administrative investigation. When interviewed, members of the Incident Review Team knew their responsibilities as they relate to the review of sexual abuse incidents.

115.286 (e): The facility will implement the recommendations for improvement or document its reasons for not doing so. In review of the *PREA After Action Review Reports* conducted on the two allegations of sexual abuse received in the past 12 months, there were no recommendations noted. The Assistant Facility Director/ PREA Compliance Manager maintains copies of all completed *PREA After Action Review Reports* and the copies were found filed in the corresponding investigative files.

115.287 Data collection

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.287 (a)/(c): Information on data collection is found on page 28, section Oa-1 of GEO policy 5.1.2-A. GEO collects uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse at all facilities under their control. The data collected, will be at a minimum, the data necessary to answer all questions from the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence conducted by the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS).

115.287 (b): The Assistant Facility Director/PREA Compliance Manager ensures that the data is compiled and forwarded to the PREA Coordinator on the *Monthly PREA Incident Tracking Log* (attachment D of policy 5.1.2-A and annually on the *Annual PREA Incident Log*. At least annually, the PREA Coordinator aggregates this data. Upon request, or no later than June 30th, the agency provides aggregated data information for the previous calendar year to DOJ.

115.287 (d): The agency maintains, reviews and collects data as needed from all available incident-based documents, including reports, investigative files and sexual abuse incident reviews.

115.287 (e): Provision (e) of this standard is not applicable to this facility. GEO does not contract for the confinement of its residents.

115.287 (f): Upon request, the agency shall provide all such data from the previous calendar year to the Department of Justice no later than June 30. On information provided on the Pre-Audit Questionnaire, DOJ requested this information for the previous calendar year.

115.288 Data review for corrective action

Auditor Overall Determination: Exceeds Standard

Auditor Discussion

115.288 (a): Based on GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 28 & 29, section O-2, and on interview with the PREA Coordinator, the agency reviews all of the data collected from all of its facilities and aggregates that data annually to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection and response policies, practices and training. The PREA Coordinator prepares an annual report that provides the problem areas and corrective actions for each facility and the agency as a whole. In interview of the Director, Quality Assurance and Reentry Services (agency head designee) he stated, "Facilities conduct sexual abuse incident reviews after each substantiated or unsubstantiated case. Any recommendations for improvement, identified problem areas or corrective actions are documented and forwarded to our Corporate PREA Coordinator to review. In 2015 GEO designed a secure PREA Portal with restricted access to retain all data. Every incident is entered into the portal by the PREA Compliance Managers at each facility and annually, the corporate PREA team reviews this data to determine what improvements are needed to enhance the program. These recommended improvements are submitted to the appropriate divisional authority for Reentry Services for review and approval." In interview the PREA Coordinator he stated, "All GEO's clients, with the exception of the USMS, include GEO PREA data in their annual PREA reports. Each facility is required to complete the GEO PREA After-Action Review Report after each substantiated or unsubstantiated case. Any recommendations for improvement, problem areas identified, or corrective action needed are documented and captured in the facility's Annual PREA Facility Assessment. The corporate teams review this data annually to determine the improvements needed to enhance the overall PREA program. These recommended improvements are submitted to the divisional authority for Reentry annually for review and approval. GEO publishes a PREA report annually. Currently, annual PREA data reports from 2017-2022 are available on GEO's website."

115.288 (b): The report includes a comparison of the current year's data and corrective actions with those from prior years and provides an assessment of the agency's progress in addressing sexual abuse.

115.288 (c): The PREA Coordinator forwards the annual report to the Vice President of Operations for signature and approval. The report is then made public on the GEO website (https://www.geogroup.com/prea) Before making aggregated sexual abuse data public, all personal identifiers are redacted. In interview with the Director, Quality Assurance and Reentry Services (agency head designee) he stated, "The annual PREA reports are approved by the appropriate divisional authority for

Reentry Services and the CEO."

115.288 (d): GEO redacts specific material from the reports when publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of a facility but indicates the nature of the material redacted. The PREA Coordinator stated in interview, "GEO only reports statistical data incident types. Personal identifiable information is excluded for confidentiality purposes." The annual reports prepared by the PREA Coordinator and posted on the agency's website since the last PREA audit were well written with easy-to-read tables according to the type of allegations and the investigative findings of all GEO facilities, as well as a narrative overview of this information. The report provides a review of incident-based data with a comparison of aggregated data for the previous years in the audit cycle. The facility was found to exceed in the requirements of this standard.

115.289 Data storage, publication, and destruction Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion** 115.289 (a): According to GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 26, section N-3, the agency ensures that the data collected is securely retained for at least 10 years or longer if required by state statue. In interview of the PREA Coordinator he stated, "GEO maintains a secure PREA portal with restricted access to retain all PREA related data. Every sexual abuse incident and documentation pertaining to said incident is entered into the portal by the PREA Compliance Manager at each facility. The corporate PREA compliance team, to include myself, have access to this portal." 115.289 (b): GEO makes aggregated sexual abuse data, from facilities under its direct control and private facilities with which it contracts, readily available to the public, at least annually through the website http://www.geogroup.com/PREA. 115.289 (c): Before making aggregated sexual abuse data publicly available, all personal identifiers are redacted. 115.289 (d): GEO maintains sexual abuse data collected pursuant to 115.287 for at least 10 years after the date of the initial collection.

115.401	Frequency and scope of audits
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion

- 115.401 (a): Based on GEO policy 5.1.2-A, page 29, section P, GEO ensures that an external audit of all of its facilities is conducted every three years to ensure compliance with the agency's policy, the PREA National Standards and federal law and regulations. GEO's Contract Compliance Department ensures each facility is audited at least once by a PREA auditor who has been certified through the Department of Justice.
- 115.401 (b): During the three-year period beginning on August 20, 2013, GEO ensured that each of its facilities were audited at least once and continues to ensure that its facilities are audited every three years. The last PREA audit of this facility was conducted in 2020.
- 115.401 (f): I received and reviewed all relevant agency-wide policies for Reality House..
- 115.401 (g): I reviewed a sampling of relevant documents and other records and information for the most recent one-year period.
- 115.401 (h): During the audit, I was allowed access to all areas of the facility.
- 115.401 (i): I was permitted to request and receive copies of any relevant documentation, including information that was stored electronically.
- 115.401 (j): I have retained all documentation relied upon to make audit determinations. The documentation will be provided to the Department of Justice upon request.
- 115.401 (k): I interviewed a representative sample of residents and staff, supervisors and administrators.
- 115.401 (I): I reviewed camera monitors and electronically stored data.
- 115.401 (m): I was permitted to conduct private interviews with residents and staff ensuring confidentiality to our conversation.
- 115.401 (n): Residents and staff were notified on 7/21/23 through posted facility notices in both English and Spanish that they could send confidential correspondence to me and were given my name and mailing address. During the site review of Reality House, Facility Notices in both English and Spanish were displayed in numerous locations throughout the facility. I did not receive correspondence from any residents or staff of Reality House.
- 115.401 (o): The GEO/Reality House has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Friendship of Women, renewed on 12/19/19. The Director of Operations of Friendship of Women was contacted to confirm and review the terms of MOU. Friendship of Women is a victim services provider. Crisis intervention services provided include a 24/7 emotional support hotline manned by a paid advocate, peer support, hospital accompaniment for forensic exams, legal advocacy, and referrals to available community resources. Callers to the hotline can remain anonymous upon request. Advocates would offer ongoing services to victims, which includes

mental health counseling. If a resident calls and reports sexual abuse, the resident would be encouraged to report this information to the facility. Friendship of Women provide educational sessions offered at Reality House every year. These sessions inform residents of the services provided by Friendship of Women. The Director of Operations stated the staff of Reality House has a good relationship with Friendship of Women and are always willing to donate their time and services for events they host.

The Executive Director of the Crisis Center was contacted to confirm and review the terms of the MOU renewed on 6/24/14. The Crisis Center provides a 24-hour emotional support hotline for residents. The Executive Director stated there are staff advocates available to answer the 24-hour hotline. The Crisis Center can provide residents information on their services over the phone or via mail. If a resident calls and reports sexual abuse, advocates would encourage the resident to report this information at the facility or advise them to call law enforcement. The Crisis Center would obtain consent and a release of information from the victim prior to contacting Reality House if the victim requests the advocate's assistance with reporting the allegation to the facility. All calls are confidential, and residents can remain anonymous upon request. When a resident calls the emotional support hotline, the advocate answering the phone would do an intake and determine the needs of the caller. Services include safety planning, counseling, case management and references for further information. The Crisis Center is located in Odessa, TX. Due to the distance from their location to Reality House, they cannot provide accompaniment for forensic exams or provide legal advocacy. All other services can be provided remotely and are provided at no cost to the resident.

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	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	115.403 (a): In compliance with the National PREA Standards, I certify by my signature in the Auditor's Certification Section of this report that no conflict of interest exists with my ability to conduct this audit.
	115.403 (b): In thorough review of GEO's PREA policies, as well as facility policies and procedures, were found to comply with relevant PREA standards.
	115.403 (c): For each PREA standard, I made a determination of a finding of Exceeds Standard or Meets Standard.
	115.403 (d): This report describes the methodology, sampling sizes and basis for my

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conclusions as required.

115.403 (e): I have redacted any personal identifiable resident or employee information, but I can provide such information to the Department of Justice upon request.

115.403 (f): In review of the agency's website, facility PREA reports from 2017-2022 were found to be posted. Per agency policy and standard requirements, GEO ensures me that this final report will be published on their website at (https://www.geogroup.com/prea) to be available to the public.

Appendix:	Provision Findings	
115.211 (a)	Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment coordinator	nt; PREA
	Does the agency have a written policy mandating zero tolerance toward all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the written policy outline the agency's approach to preventing, detecting, and responding to sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
115.211 (b)	Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment coordinator	nt; PREA
	Has the agency employed or designated an agency-wide PREA Coordinator?	yes
	Is the PREA Coordinator position in the upper-level of the agency hierarchy?	yes
	Does the PREA Coordinator have sufficient time and authority to develop, implement, and oversee agency efforts to comply with the PREA standards in all of its community confinement facilities?	yes
115.212 (a)	Contracting with other entities for the confinement o	f residents
	If this agency is public and it contracts for the confinement of its residents with private agencies or other entities, including other government agencies, has the agency included the entity's obligation to adopt and comply with the PREA standards in any new contract or contract renewal signed on or after August 20, 2012? (N/A if the agency does not contract with private agencies or other entities for the confinement of residents.)	na
115.212 (b)	Contracting with other entities for the confinement o	f residents
	Does any new contract or contract renewal signed on or after August 20, 2012 provide for agency contract monitoring to ensure that the contractor is complying with the PREA standards? (N/A if the agency does not contract with private agencies or other entities for the confinement of residents.)	na
115.212 (c)	Contracting with other entities for the confinement o	f residents
	If the agency has entered into a contract with an entity that fails to comply with the PREA standards, did the agency do so only in	na

	emergency circumstances after making all reasonable attempts to find a PREA compliant private agency or other entity to confine residents? (N/A if the agency has not entered into a contract with an entity that fails to comply with the PREA standards.)	
	In such a case, does the agency document its unsuccessful attempts to find an entity in compliance with the standards? (N/A if the agency has not entered into a contract with an entity that fails to comply with the PREA standards.)	na
115.213 (a)	Supervision and monitoring	
	Does the facility have a documented staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing and, where applicable, video monitoring to protect residents against sexual abuse?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: The physical layout of each facility?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: The composition of the resident population?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: The prevalence of substantiated and unsubstantiated incidents of sexual abuse?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any other relevant factors?	yes
115.213 (b)	Supervision and monitoring	
	In circumstances where the staffing plan is not complied with, does the facility document and justify all deviations from the plan? (NA if no deviations from staffing plan.)	na
115.213 (c)	Supervision and monitoring	
	In the past 12 months, has the facility assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to the staffing plan established pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section?	yes
	In the past 12 months, has the facility assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to prevailing	yes

	staffing patterns?	
	In the past 12 months, has the facility assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to the facility's deployment of video monitoring systems and other monitoring technologies?	yes
	In the past 12 months, has the facility assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to the resources the facility has available to commit to ensure adequate staffing levels?	yes
115.215 (a)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility always refrain from conducting any cross-gender strip searches or cross-gender visual body cavity searches, except in exigent circumstances or by medical practitioners?	yes
115.215 (b)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility always refrain from conducting cross-gender pat- down searches of female residents, except in exigent circumstances? (N/A if the facility does not have female inmates.)	yes
	Does the facility always refrain from restricting female residents' access to regularly available programming or other outside opportunities in order to comply with this provision? (N/A if the facility does not have female inmates.)	yes
115.215 (c)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility document all cross-gender strip searches and cross-gender visual body cavity searches?	yes
	Does the facility document all cross-gender pat-down searches of female residents?	yes
115.215 (d)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility have policies that enable residents to shower, perform bodily functions, and change clothing without non-medical staff of the opposite gender viewing their breasts, buttocks, or genitalia, except in exigent circumstances or when such viewing is incidental to routine cell checks?	yes
	Does the facility have procedures that enable residents to shower,	yes

	perform bodily functions, and change clothing without non- medical staff of the opposite gender viewing their breasts, buttocks, or genitalia, except in exigent circumstances or when such viewing is incidental to routine cell checks?	
	Does the facility require staff of the opposite gender to announce their presence when entering an area where residents are likely to be showering, performing bodily functions, or changing clothing?	yes
115.215 (e)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility always refrain from searching or physically examining transgender or intersex residents for the sole purpose of determining the resident's genital status?	yes
	If the resident's genital status is unknown, does the facility determine genital status during conversations with the resident, by reviewing medical records, or, if necessary, by learning that information as part of a broader medical examination conducted in private by a medical practitioner?	yes
115.215 (f)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility/agency train security staff in how to conduct cross-gender pat down searches in a professional and respectful manner, and in the least intrusive manner possible, consistent with security needs?	yes
	Does the facility/agency train security staff in how to conduct searches of transgender and intersex residents in a professional and respectful manner, and in the least intrusive manner possible, consistent with security needs?	yes
115.216 (a)	Residents with disabilities and residents who are lim English proficient	ited
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who are deaf or hard of hearing?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who are blind or have low vision?	yes

Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with residents with disabilities including residents who: Have limited reading skills? Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with residents with disabilities including residents who: Who are blind or have low vision?	yes
Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with residents with disabilities including residents who: Have	yes
intellectual disabilities?	
Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with residents with disabilities including residents who: Have	yes
Do such steps include, when necessary, providing access to interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary?	yes
Do such steps include, when necessary, ensuring effective communication with residents who are deaf or hard of hearing?	yes
Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Other (if "other," please explain in overall determination notes.)	yes
Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who have speech disabilities?	yes
Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who have psychiatric disabilities?	yes
Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who have intellectual disabilities?	yes
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	Does the agency take reasonable steps to ensure meaningful access to all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment to residents who are limited English proficient?	yes
	Do these steps include providing interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary?	yes
115.216 (c)	Residents with disabilities and residents who are limental English proficient	ited
	Does the agency always refrain from relying on resident interpreters, resident readers, or other types of resident assistants except in limited circumstances where an extended delay in obtaining an effective interpreter could compromise the resident's safety, the performance of first-response duties under §115.264, or the investigation of the resident's allegations?	yes
115.217 (a)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with residents who: Has engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution (as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1997)?	yes
	Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with residents who: Has been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse?	yes
	Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with residents who: Has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in the two questions immediately above?	yes
	Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of the services of any contractor who may have contact with residents who: Has engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution (as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1997)?	yes
	Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of the services of any contractor who may have contact with residents who: Has been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of	yes

	force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse?	
	Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of the services of any contractor who may have contact with residents who: Has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in the two questions immediately above?	yes
115.217 (b)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency consider any incidents of sexual harassment in determining whether to hire or promote anyone who may have contact with residents?	yes
	Does the agency consider any incidents of sexual harassment in determining to enlist the services of any contractor who may have contact with residents?	yes
115.217 (c)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Before hiring new employees who may have contact with residents, does the agency: Perform a criminal background records check?	yes
	Before hiring new employees who may have contact with residents, does the agency, consistent with Federal, State, and local law, make its best efforts to contact all prior institutional employers for information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or any resignation during a pending investigation of an allegation of sexual abuse?	yes
115.217 (d)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency perform a criminal background records check before enlisting the services of any contractor who may have contact with residents?	yes
115.217 (e)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency either conduct criminal background records checks at least every five years of current employees and contractors who may have contact with residents or have in place a system for otherwise capturing such information for current employees?	yes
115.217	Hiring and promotion decisions	

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	Does the agency ask all applicants and employees who may have contact with residents directly about previous misconduct described in paragraph (a) of this section in written applications or interviews for hiring or promotions?	yes
	Does the agency ask all applicants and employees who may have contact with residents directly about previous misconduct described in paragraph (a) of this section in any interviews or written self-evaluations conducted as part of reviews of current employees?	yes
	Does the agency impose upon employees a continuing affirmative duty to disclose any such misconduct?	yes
115.217 (g)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency consider material omissions regarding such misconduct, or the provision of materially false information, grounds for termination?	yes
115.217 (h)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency provide information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involving a former employee upon receiving a request from an institutional employer for whom such employee has applied to work? (N/A if providing information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involving a former employee is prohibited by law.)	yes
115.218 (a)	Upgrades to facilities and technology	
	If the agency designed or acquired any new facility or planned any substantial expansion or modification of existing facilities, did the agency consider the effect of the design, acquisition, expansion, or modification upon the agency's ability to protect residents from sexual abuse? (N/A if agency/facility has not acquired a new facility or made a substantial expansion to existing facilities since August 20, 2012 or since the last PREA audit, whichever is later.)	na
115.218 (b)	Upgrades to facilities and technology	
	If the agency installed or updated a video monitoring system, electronic surveillance system, or other monitoring technology, did the agency consider how such technology may enhance the	yes

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	agency's ability to protect residents from sexual abuse? (N/A if agency/facility has not installed or updated any video monitoring system, electronic surveillance system, or other monitoring technology since August 20, 2012 or since the last PREA audit, whichever is later.)	
115.221 (a)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	If the agency is responsible for investigating allegations of sexual abuse, does the agency follow a uniform evidence protocol that maximizes the potential for obtaining usable physical evidence for administrative proceedings and criminal prosecutions? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal or administrative sexual abuse investigations.)	yes
115.221 (b)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	Is this protocol developmentally appropriate for youth where applicable? (NA if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal or administrative sexual abuse investigations.)	yes
	Is this protocol, as appropriate, adapted from or otherwise based on the most recent edition of the U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women publication, "A National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations, Adults/ Adolescents," or similarly comprehensive and authoritative protocols developed after 2011? (NA if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal or administrative sexual abuse investigations.)	yes
115.221 (c)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	Does the agency offer all victims of sexual abuse access to forensic medical examinations, whether on-site or at an outside facility, without financial cost, where evidentiarily or medically appropriate?	yes
	Are such examinations performed by Sexual Assault Forensic Examiners (SAFEs) or Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs) where possible?	yes
	If SAFEs or SANEs cannot be made available, is the examination performed by other qualified medical practitioners (they must have been specifically trained to conduct sexual assault forensic exams)?	yes

	Has the agency documented its efforts to provide SAFEs or SANEs?	yes
115.221 (d)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	Does the agency attempt to make available to the victim a victim advocate from a rape crisis center?	yes
	If a rape crisis center is not available to provide victim advocate services, does the agency make available to provide these services a qualified staff member from a community-based organization, or a qualified agency staff member?	yes
	Has the agency documented its efforts to secure services from rape crisis centers?	yes
115.221 (e)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	As requested by the victim, does the victim advocate, qualified agency staff member, or qualified community-based organization staff member accompany and support the victim through the forensic medical examination process and investigatory interviews?	yes
	As requested by the victim, does this person provide emotional support, crisis intervention, information, and referrals?	yes
115.221 (f)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	If the agency itself is not responsible for investigating allegations of sexual abuse, has the agency requested that the investigating agency follow the requirements of paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section? (N/A if the agency/facility is responsible for conducting criminal AND administrative sexual abuse investigations.)	yes
115.221 (h)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	If the agency uses a qualified agency staff member or a qualified community-based staff member for the purposes of this section, has the individual been screened for appropriateness to serve in this role and received education concerning sexual assault and forensic examination issues in general? (N/A if agency attempts to make a victim advocate from a rape crisis center available to victims per 115.221(d) above).	yes

115.222 (a)	Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investig	ations
	Does the agency ensure an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the agency ensure an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual harassment?	yes
115.222 (b)	Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investig	ations
	Does the agency have a policy in place to ensure that allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are referred for investigation to an agency with the legal authority to conduct criminal investigations, unless the allegation does not involve potentially criminal behavior?	yes
	Has the agency published such policy on its website or, if it does not have one, made the policy available through other means?	yes
	Does the agency document all such referrals?	yes
115.222 (c)	Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investig	ations
	If a separate entity is responsible for conducting criminal investigations, does the policy describe the responsibilities of both the agency and the investigating entity? (N/A if the agency/facility is responsible for conducting criminal investigations. See 115.221(a).)	yes
115.231 (a)	Employee training	
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: Its zero-tolerance policy for sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: How to fulfill their responsibilities under agency sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, reporting, and response policies and procedures?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: Residents' right to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with	yes

	residents on: The right of residents and employees to be free from retaliation for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: The dynamics of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in confinement?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: The common reactions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment victims?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: How to detect and respond to signs of threatened and actual sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: How to avoid inappropriate relationships with residents?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: How to communicate effectively and professionally with residents, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender nonconforming residents?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: How to comply with relevant laws related to	yes
	mandatory reporting of sexual abuse to outside authorities?	
115.231 (b)	· -	
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	does the agency provide refresher information on current sexual abuse and sexual harassment policies?	
115.231 (d)	Employee training	
	Does the agency document, through employee signature or electronic verification, that employees understand the training they have received?	yes
115.232 (a)	Volunteer and contractor training	
	Has the agency ensured that all volunteers and contractors who have contact with residents have been trained on their responsibilities under the agency's sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, and response policies and procedures?	yes
115.232 (b)	Volunteer and contractor training	
	Have all volunteers and contractors who have contact with residents been notified of the agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment and informed how to report such incidents (the level and type of training provided to volunteers and contractors shall be based on the services they provide and level of contact they have with residents)?	yes
115.232 (c)	Volunteer and contractor training	
	Does the agency maintain documentation confirming that volunteers and contractors understand the training they have received?	yes
115.233 (a)	Resident education	
	During intake, do residents receive information explaining: The agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	During intake, do residents receive information explaining: How to report incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse or sexual harassment?	yes
	During intake, do residents receive information explaining: Their rights to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes

	During intake, do residents receive information explaining: Their rights to be free from retaliation for reporting such incidents?	yes
	During intake, do residents receive information regarding agency policies and procedures for responding to such incidents?	yes
115.233 (b)	Resident education	
	Does the agency provide refresher information whenever a resident is transferred to a different facility?	yes
115.233 (c)	Resident education	
	Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents, including those who: Are limited English proficient?	yes
	Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents, including those who: Are deaf?	yes
	Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents, including those who: Are visually impaired?	yes
	Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents, including those who: Are otherwise disabled?	yes
	Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents, including those who: Have limited reading skills?	yes
115.233 (d)	Resident education	
	Does the agency maintain documentation of resident participation in these education sessions?	yes
115.233 (e)	Resident education	
	In addition to providing such education, does the agency ensure that key information is continuously and readily available or visible to residents through posters, resident handbooks, or other written formats?	yes
115.234 (a)	Specialized training: Investigations	
	In addition to the general training provided to all employees pursuant to §115.231, does the agency ensure that, to the extent	yes

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the agency itself conducts sexual abuse investigations, its investigators receive training in conducting such investigations in confinement settings? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of criminal or administrative sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a)).	
Specialized training: Investigations	
Does this specialized training include: Techniques for interviewing sexual abuse victims?(N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of criminal or administrative sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a)).	yes
Does this specialized training include: Proper use of Miranda and Garrity warnings?(N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of criminal or administrative sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a)).	yes
Does this specialized training include: Sexual abuse evidence collection in confinement settings?(N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of criminal or administrative sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a)).	yes
Does this specialized training include: The criteria and evidence required to substantiate a case for administrative action or prosecution referral? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of criminal or administrative sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a)).	yes
Specialized training: Investigations	
Does the agency maintain documentation that agency investigators have completed the required specialized training in conducting sexual abuse investigations? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of criminal or administrative sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a).)	yes
Specialized training: Medical and mental health care	
Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in: How to detect and assess signs of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
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Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in: How to preserve physical evidence of sexual abuse? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.) Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in: How to respond effectively and professionally to victims of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.) Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in: How and to whom to report allegations or suspicions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.) Specialized training: Medical and mental health care If medical staff employed by the agency conduct forensic examinations, do such medical staff receive appropriate training to conduct such examinations? (N/A if agency does not employ medical staff or the medical staff employed by the agency do not conduct forensic exams.) Specialized training: Medical and mental health care Does the agency maintain documentation that medical and mental health practitioners have received the training referenced in this standard either from the agency or elsewhere? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.) Specialized training: Medical and mental health care Do medical and mental health care practitioners employed by the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regular	_		
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	Whether the resident's criminal history is exclusively nonviolent?	
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess residents for risk of sexual victimization: Whether the resident has prior convictions for sex offenses against an adult or child?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess residents for risk of sexual victimization: Whether the resident is or is perceived to be gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender nonconforming (the facility affirmatively asks the resident about his/her sexual orientation and gender identity AND makes a subjective determination based on the screener's perception whether the resident is gender non-conforming or otherwise may be perceived to be LGBTI)?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess residents for risk of sexual victimization: Whether the resident has previously experienced sexual victimization?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess residents for risk of sexual victimization: The resident's own perception of vulnerability?	yes
115.241 (e)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	In assessing residents for risk of being sexually abusive, does the initial PREA risk screening consider, when known to the agency: prior acts of sexual abuse?	yes
	In assessing residents for risk of being sexually abusive, does the initial PREA risk screening consider, when known to the agency: prior convictions for violent offenses?	yes
	In assessing residents for risk of being sexually abusive, does the initial PREA risk screening consider, when known to the agency: history of prior institutional violence or sexual abuse?	yes
115.241 (f)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Within a set time period not more than 30 days from the resident's arrival at the facility, does the facility reassess the resident's risk of victimization or abusiveness based upon any additional, relevant information received by the facility since the intake screening?	yes

115.241 (g)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Does the facility reassess a resident's risk level when warranted due to a: Referral?	yes
	Does the facility reassess a resident's risk level when warranted due to a: Request?	yes
	Does the facility reassess a resident's risk level when warranted due to a: Incident of sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the facility reassess a resident's risk level when warranted due to a: Receipt of additional information that bears on the resident's risk of sexual victimization or abusiveness?	yes
115.241 (h)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Is it the case that residents are not ever disciplined for refusing to answer, or for not disclosing complete information in response to, questions asked pursuant to paragraphs $(d)(1)$, $(d)(7)$, $(d)(8)$, or $(d)(9)$ of this section?	yes
115.241 (i)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Has the agency implemented appropriate controls on the dissemination within the facility of responses to questions asked pursuant to this standard in order to ensure that sensitive information is not exploited to the resident's detriment by staff or other residents?	yes
115.242 (a)	Use of screening information	
	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.241, with the goal of keeping separate those residents at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Housing Assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.241, with the goal of keeping separate those residents at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Bed assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.241, with the goal of keeping separate those residents at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Work Assignments?	yes

	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.241, with the goal of keeping separate those residents at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Education Assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.241, with the goal of keeping separate those residents at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Program Assignments?	yes
115.242 (b)	Use of screening information	
	Does the agency make individualized determinations about how to ensure the safety of each resident?	yes
115.242 (c)	Use of screening information	
	When deciding whether to assign a transgender or intersex resident to a facility for male or female residents, does the agency consider on a case-by-case basis whether a placement would ensure the resident's health and safety, and whether a placement would present management or security problems (NOTE: if an agency by policy or practice assigns residents to a male or female facility on the basis of anatomy alone, that agency is not in compliance with this standard)?	yes
	When making housing or other program assignments for transgender or intersex residents, does the agency consider on a case-by-case basis whether a placement would ensure the resident's health and safety, and whether a placement would present management or security problems?	yes
115.242 (d)	Use of screening information	
	Are each transgender or intersex resident's own views with respect to his or her own safety given serious consideration when making facility and housing placement decisions and programming assignments?	yes
115.242 (e)	Use of screening information	
	Are transgender and intersex residents given the opportunity to shower separately from other residents?	yes
115.242	Use of screening information	

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	Unless placement is in a dedicated facility, unit, or wing established in connection with a consent decree, legal settlement, or legal judgment for the purpose of protecting lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex residents, does the agency always refrain from placing: lesbian, gay, and bisexual residents in dedicated facilities, units, or wings solely on the basis of such identification or status? (N/A if the agency has a dedicated facility, unit, or wing solely for the placement of LGBT or I residents pursuant to a consent decree, legal settlement, or legal judgement.)	yes
	Unless placement is in a dedicated facility, unit, or wing established in connection with a consent decree, legal settlement, or legal judgment for the purpose of protecting lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex residents, does the agency always refrain from placing: transgender residents in dedicated facilities, units, or wings solely on the basis of such identification or status? (N/A if the agency has a dedicated facility, unit, or wing solely for the placement of LGBT or I residents pursuant to a consent decree, legal settlement, or legal judgement.)	yes
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115.251 (a)	Resident reporting	
	Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for residents to privately report: Sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for residents to privately report: Retaliation by other residents or staff for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for residents to privately report: Staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to such incidents?	yes
115.251 (b)	Resident reporting	

	Does the agency also provide at least one way for residents to report sexual abuse or sexual harassment to a public or private entity or office that is not part of the agency?	yes
	Is that private entity or office able to receive and immediately forward resident reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to agency officials?	yes
	Does that private entity or office allow the resident to remain anonymous upon request?	yes
115.251 (c)	Resident reporting	
	Do staff members accept reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment made verbally, in writing, anonymously, and from third parties?	yes
	Do staff members promptly document any verbal reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
115.251 (d)	Resident reporting	
	Does the agency provide a method for staff to privately report	yes
	sexual abuse and sexual harassment of residents?	
115.252 (a)	sexual abuse and sexual harassment of residents? Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
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	Exhaustion of administrative remedies Is the agency exempt from this standard? NOTE: The agency is exempt ONLY if it does not have administrative procedures to address resident grievances regarding sexual abuse. This does not mean the agency is exempt simply because a resident does not have to or is not ordinarily expected to submit a grievance to report sexual abuse. This means that as a matter of explicit policy, the agency does not	yes
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	with staff, an alleged incident of sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is	
115.252 (c)	exempt from this standard.) Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Does the agency ensure that: a resident who alleges sexual abuse may submit a grievance without submitting it to a staff member who is the subject of the complaint? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Does the agency ensure that: such grievance is not referred to a staff member who is the subject of the complaint? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
115.252 (d)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Does the agency issue a final agency decision on the merits of any portion of a grievance alleging sexual abuse within 90 days of the initial filing of the grievance? (Computation of the 90-day time period does not include time consumed by residents in preparing any administrative appeal.) (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	If the agency determines that the 90-day timeframe is insufficient to make an appropriate decision and claims an extension of time (the maximum allowable extension is 70 days per 115.252(d)(3)), does the agency notify the resident in writing of any such extension and provide a date by which a decision will be made? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	At any level of the administrative process, including the final level, if the resident does not receive a response within the time allotted for reply, including any properly noticed extension, may a resident consider the absence of a response to be a denial at that level? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
115.252 (e)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Are third parties, including fellow residents, staff members, family members, attorneys, and outside advocates, permitted to assist residents in filing requests for administrative remedies relating to allegations of sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Are those third parties also permitted to file such requests on behalf of residents? (If a third party files such a request on behalf	yes

	of a resident, the facility may require as a condition of processing the request that the alleged victim agree to have the request filed on his or her behalf, and may also require the alleged victim to personally pursue any subsequent steps in the administrative remedy process.) (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	
	If the resident declines to have the request processed on his or her behalf, does the agency document the resident's decision? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
115.252 (f)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Has the agency established procedures for the filing of an emergency grievance alleging that a resident is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	After receiving an emergency grievance alleging a resident is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, does the agency immediately forward the grievance (or any portion thereof that alleges the substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse) to a level of review at which immediate corrective action may be taken? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	After receiving an emergency grievance described above, does the agency provide an initial response within 48 hours? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	After receiving an emergency grievance described above, does the agency issue a final agency decision within 5 calendar days? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Does the initial response and final agency decision document the agency's determination whether the resident is in substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Does the initial response document the agency's action(s) taken in response to the emergency grievance? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Does the agency's final decision document the agency's action(s) taken in response to the emergency grievance? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
115.252 (g)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	If the agency disciplines a resident for filing a grievance related to	yes

	alleged sexual abuse, does it do so ONLY where the agency demonstrates that the resident filed the grievance in bad faith? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	
115.253 (a)	Resident access to outside confidential support servi	ces
	Does the facility provide residents with access to outside victim advocates for emotional support services related to sexual abuse by giving residents mailing addresses and telephone numbers, including toll-free hotline numbers where available, of local, State, or national victim advocacy or rape crisis organizations?	yes
	Does the facility enable reasonable communication between residents and these organizations, in as confidential a manner as possible?	yes
115.253 (b)	Resident access to outside confidential support servi	ces
	Does the facility inform residents, prior to giving them access, of the extent to which such communications will be monitored and the extent to which reports of abuse will be forwarded to authorities in accordance with mandatory reporting laws?	yes
115.253 (c)	Resident access to outside confidential support servi	ces
	Does the agency maintain or attempt to enter into memoranda of understanding or other agreements with community service providers that are able to provide residents with confidential emotional support services related to sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the agency maintain copies of agreements or documentation showing attempts to enter into such agreements?	yes
115.254 (a)	Third party reporting	
	Has the agency established a method to receive third-party reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Has the agency distributed publicly information on how to report sexual abuse and sexual harassment on behalf of a resident?	yes
115.261 (a)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or	yes

information regarding an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment that occurred in a facility, whether or not it is part of the agency?	
Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information regarding retaliation against residents or staff who reported an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment?	yes
Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information regarding any staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment or retaliation?	yes
Staff and agency reporting duties	
Apart from reporting to designated supervisors or officials, do staff always refrain from revealing any information related to a sexual abuse report to anyone other than to the extent necessary, as specified in agency policy, to make treatment, investigation, and other security and management decisions?	yes
Staff and agency reporting duties	
Unless otherwise precluded by Federal, State, or local law, are medical and mental health practitioners required to report sexual abuse pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section?	yes
Are medical and mental health practitioners required to inform residents of the practitioner's duty to report, and the limitations of confidentiality, at the initiation of services?	yes
Staff and agency reporting duties	
If the alleged victim is under the age of 18 or considered a vulnerable adult under a State or local vulnerable persons statute, does the agency report the allegation to the designated State or local services agency under applicable mandatory reporting laws?	yes
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Does the facility report all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including third-party and anonymous reports, to the facility's designated investigators?	yes
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115.262 (a)	Agency protection duties	
	When the agency learns that a resident is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, does it take immediate action to protect the resident?	yes
115.263 (a)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Upon receiving an allegation that a resident was sexually abused while confined at another facility, does the head of the facility that received the allegation notify the head of the facility or appropriate office of the agency where the alleged abuse occurred?	yes
115.263 (b)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Is such notification provided as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours after receiving the allegation?	yes
115.263 (c)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Does the agency document that it has provided such notification?	yes
115.263 (d)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Does the facility head or agency office that receives such notification ensure that the allegation is investigated in accordance with these standards?	yes
115.264 (a)	Staff first responder duties	
	Upon learning of an allegation that a resident was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Separate the alleged victim and abuser?	yes
	Upon learning of an allegation that a resident was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Preserve and protect any crime scene until appropriate steps can be taken to collect any evidence?	yes
	Upon learning of an allegation that a resident was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate,	yes

	washing, brushing teeth, changing clothes, urinating, defecating, smoking, drinking, or eating, if the abuse occurred within a time period that still allows for the collection of physical evidence?	
	Upon learning of an allegation that a resident was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Ensure that the alleged abuser does not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate, washing, brushing teeth, changing clothes, urinating, defecating, smoking, drinking, or eating, if the abuse occurred within a time period that still allows for the collection of physical evidence?	yes
115.264 (b)	Staff first responder duties	
	If the first staff responder is not a security staff member, is the responder required to request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, and then notify security staff?	yes
115.265 (a)	Coordinated response	
	Has the facility developed a written institutional plan to coordinate actions among staff first responders, medical and mental health practitioners, investigators, and facility leadership taken in response to an incident of sexual abuse?	yes
115.266 (a)	Preservation of ability to protect residents from contabusers	act with
	Are both the agency and any other governmental entities responsible for collective bargaining on the agency's behalf prohibited from entering into or renewing any collective bargaining agreement or other agreement that limits the agency's ability to remove alleged staff sexual abusers from contact with any residents pending the outcome of an investigation or of a determination of whether and to what extent discipline is warranted?	yes
115.267 (a)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	Has the agency established a policy to protect all residents and staff who report sexual abuse or sexual harassment or cooperate with sexual abuse or sexual harassment investigations from retaliation by other residents or staff?	yes

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	Has the agency designated which staff members or departments are charged with monitoring retaliation?	yes
115.267 (b)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	Does the agency employ multiple protection measures, such as housing changes or transfers for resident victims or abusers, removal of alleged staff or resident abusers from contact with victims, and emotional support services for residents or staff who fear retaliation for reporting sexual abuse or sexual harassment or for cooperating with investigations?	yes
115.267 (c)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor the conduct and treatment of residents or staff who reported the sexual abuse to see if there are changes that may suggest possible retaliation by residents or staff?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor the conduct and treatment of residents who were reported to have suffered sexual abuse to see if there are changes that may suggest possible retaliation by residents or staff?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Act promptly to remedy any such retaliation?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor any resident disciplinary reports?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency:4. Monitor resident housing changes?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor resident program changes?	yes

	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor negative performance reviews of staff?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor reassignment of staff?	yes
	Does the agency continue such monitoring beyond 90 days if the initial monitoring indicates a continuing need?	yes
115.267 (d)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	In the case of residents, does such monitoring also include periodic status checks?	yes
115.267 (e)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	If any other individual who cooperates with an investigation expresses a fear of retaliation, does the agency take appropriate measures to protect that individual against retaliation?	yes
115.271 (a)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	When the agency conducts its own investigations into allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, does it do so promptly, thoroughly, and objectively? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a).)	yes
	Does the agency conduct such investigations for all allegations, including third party and anonymous reports? (N/A if the agency/ facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a).)	yes
115.271 (b)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Where sexual abuse is alleged, does the agency use investigators who have received specialized training in sexual abuse investigations as required by 115.234?	yes
115.271 (c)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
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	Do investigators gather and preserve direct and circumstantial	yes

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	Are all substantiated allegations of conduct that appears to be criminal referred for prosecution?	yes
115.271 (i)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Does the agency retain all written reports referenced in 115.271(f) and (g) for as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or employed by the agency, plus five years?	yes
115.271 (j)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Does the agency ensure that the departure of an alleged abuser or victim from the employment or control of the facility or agency does not provide a basis for terminating an investigation?	yes
115.271 (I)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	When an outside entity investigates sexual abuse, does the facility cooperate with outside investigators and endeavor to remain informed about the progress of the investigation? (N/A if an outside agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a).)	yes
115.272 (a)	Evidentiary standard for administrative investigation	S
	Is it true that the agency does not impose a standard higher than a preponderance of the evidence in determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated?	yes
115.273 (a)	Reporting to residents	
	Following an investigation into a resident's allegation that he or she suffered sexual abuse in an agency facility, does the agency inform the resident as to whether the allegation has been determined to be substantiated, unsubstantiated, or unfounded?	yes
115.273 (b)	Reporting to residents	
	If the agency did not conduct the investigation into a resident's allegation of sexual abuse in an agency facility, does the agency	yes

	request the relevant information from the investigative agency in order to inform the resident? (N/A if the agency/facility is responsible for conducting administrative and criminal investigations.)	
115.273 (c)	Reporting to residents	
	Following a resident's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The staff member is no longer posted within the resident's unit?	yes
	Following a resident's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The staff member is no longer employed at the facility?	yes
	Following a resident's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The agency learns that the staff member has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse in the facility?	yes
	Following a resident's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The agency learns that the staff member has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility?	yes
115.273 (d)	Reporting to residents	
	Following a resident's allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another resident, does the agency subsequently inform the alleged victim whenever: The agency learns that the alleged abuser has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility?	yes
	Following a resident's allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another resident, does the agency subsequently inform	yes

	the alleged victim whenever: The agency learns that the alleged abuser has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse	
	within the facility?	
115.273 (e)	Reporting to residents	
	Does the agency document all such notifications or attempted notifications?	yes
115.276 (a)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Are staff subject to disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies?	yes
115.276 (b)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Is termination the presumptive disciplinary sanction for staff who have engaged in sexual abuse?	yes
115.276 (c)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Are disciplinary sanctions for violations of agency policies relating to sexual abuse or sexual harassment (other than actually engaging in sexual abuse) commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the acts committed, the staff member's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other staff with similar histories?	yes
115.276 (d)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Are all terminations for violations of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies, or resignations by staff who would have been terminated if not for their resignation, reported to: Law enforcement agencies, unless the activity was clearly not criminal?	yes
	Are all terminations for violations of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies, or resignations by staff who would have been terminated if not for their resignation, reported to: Relevant licensing bodies?	yes
115.277 (a)	Corrective action for contractors and volunteers	

	Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse prohibited from contact with residents?	yes
	Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse reported to: Law enforcement agencies (unless the activity was clearly not criminal)?	yes
	Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse reported to: Relevant licensing bodies?	yes
115.277 (b)	Corrective action for contractors and volunteers	
	In the case of any other violation of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies by a contractor or volunteer, does the facility take appropriate remedial measures, and consider whether to prohibit further contact with residents?	yes
115.278 (a)	Disciplinary sanctions for residents	
	Following an administrative finding that a resident engaged in resident-on-resident sexual abuse, or following a criminal finding of guilt for resident-on-resident sexual abuse, are residents subject to disciplinary sanctions pursuant to a formal disciplinary process?	yes
115.278 (b)	Disciplinary sanctions for residents	
	Are sanctions commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the abuse committed, the resident's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other residents with similar histories?	yes
115.278 (c)	Disciplinary sanctions for residents	
	When determining what types of sanction, if any, should be imposed, does the disciplinary process consider whether a resident's mental disabilities or mental illness contributed to his or her behavior?	yes
115.278 (d)	Disciplinary sanctions for residents	
	If the facility offers therapy, counseling, or other interventions designed to address and correct underlying reasons or motivations for the abuse, does the facility consider whether to require the offending resident to participate in such interventions as a	yes

	condition of access to programming and other benefits?	
115.278 (e)	Disciplinary sanctions for residents	
	Does the agency discipline a resident for sexual contact with staff only upon a finding that the staff member did not consent to such contact?	yes
115.278 (f)	Disciplinary sanctions for residents	
	For the purpose of disciplinary action does a report of sexual abuse made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief that the alleged conduct occurred NOT constitute falsely reporting an incident or lying, even if an investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation?	yes
115.278 (g)	Disciplinary sanctions for residents	
	Does the agency always refrain from considering non-coercive sexual activity between residents to be sexual abuse? (N/A if the agency does not prohibit all sexual activity between residents.)	yes
115.282 (a)	Access to emergency medical and mental health serv	rices
	Do resident victims of sexual abuse receive timely, unimpeded access to emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services, the nature and scope of which are determined by medical and mental health practitioners according to their professional judgment?	yes
115.282 (b)	Access to emergency medical and mental health serv	rices
	If no qualified medical or mental health practitioners are on duty at the time a report of recent sexual abuse is made, do security staff first responders take preliminary steps to protect the victim pursuant to § 115.262?	yes
	Do security staff first responders immediately notify the appropriate medical and mental health practitioners?	yes
115.282	A 4	visos
(c)	Access to emergency medical and mental health serv	ices
(c)	Are resident victims of sexual abuse offered timely information	yes

	about and timely access to emergency contraception and sexually transmitted infections prophylaxis, in accordance with professionally accepted standards of care, where medically appropriate?	
115.282 (d)	Access to emergency medical and mental health serv	ices
	Are treatment services provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident?	yes
115.283 (a)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual a victims and abusers	buse
	Does the facility offer medical and mental health evaluation and, as appropriate, treatment to all residents who have been victimized by sexual abuse in any prison, jail, lockup, or juvenile facility?	yes
115.283 (b)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual a victims and abusers	buse
	Does the evaluation and treatment of such victims include, as appropriate, follow-up services, treatment plans, and, when necessary, referrals for continued care following their transfer to, or placement in, other facilities, or their release from custody?	yes
115.283 (c)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual a victims and abusers	buse
	Does the facility provide such victims with medical and mental health services consistent with the community level of care?	yes
115.283 (d)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual a victims and abusers	buse
	Are resident victims of sexually abusive vaginal penetration while incarcerated offered pregnancy tests? (N/A if "all-male" facility. Note: in "all-male" facilities, there may be residents who identify as transgender men who may have female genitalia. Auditors should be sure to know whether such individuals may be in the population and whether this provision may apply in specific circumstances.)	yes
115.283 (e)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	If pregnancy results from the conduct described in paragraph §	yes
	115.283(d), do such victims receive timely and comprehensive	

	information about and timely access to all lawful pregnancy-related medical services? (N/A if "all-male" facility. Note: in "all-male" facilities, there may be residents who identify as transgender men who may have female genitalia. Auditors should be sure to know whether such individuals may be in the population and whether this provision may apply in specific circumstances.)	
115.283 (f)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Are resident victims of sexual abuse while incarcerated offered tests for sexually transmitted infections as medically appropriate?	yes
115.283 (g)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Are treatment services provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident?	yes
115.283 (h)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Does the facility attempt to conduct a mental health evaluation of all known resident-on-resident abusers within 60 days of learning of such abuse history and offer treatment when deemed appropriate by mental health practitioners?	yes
115.286 (a)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the facility conduct a sexual abuse incident review at the conclusion of every sexual abuse investigation, including where the allegation has not been substantiated, unless the allegation has been determined to be unfounded?	yes
115.286 (b)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does such review ordinarily occur within 30 days of the conclusion of the investigation?	yes
115.286 (c)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the review team include upper-level management officials, with input from line supervisors, investigators, and medical or mental health practitioners?	yes

115.286 (d)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the review team: Consider whether the allegation or investigation indicates a need to change policy or practice to better prevent, detect, or respond to sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the review team: Consider whether the incident or allegation was motivated by race; ethnicity; gender identity; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex identification, status, or perceived status; gang affiliation; or other group dynamics at the facility?	yes
	Does the review team: Examine the area in the facility where the incident allegedly occurred to assess whether physical barriers in the area may enable abuse?	yes
	Does the review team: Assess the adequacy of staffing levels in that area during different shifts?	yes
	Does the review team: Assess whether monitoring technology should be deployed or augmented to supplement supervision by staff?	yes
	Does the review team: Prepare a report of its findings, including but not necessarily limited to determinations made pursuant to §§ 115.286(d)(1)-(d)(5), and any recommendations for improvement and submit such report to the facility head and PREA compliance manager?	yes
115.286 (e)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the facility implement the recommendations for improvement, or document its reasons for not doing so?	yes
115.287 (a)	Data collection	
	Does the agency collect accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse at facilities under its direct control using a standardized instrument and set of definitions?	yes
115.287 (b)	Data collection	
	Does the agency aggregate the incident-based sexual abuse data at least annually?	yes
115.287	Data collection	

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	Does the incident-based data include, at a minimum, the data necessary to answer all questions from the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence conducted by the Department of Justice?	yes
115.287 (d)	Data collection	
	Does the agency maintain, review, and collect data as needed from all available incident-based documents, including reports, investigation files, and sexual abuse incident reviews?	yes
115.287 (e)	Data collection	
	Does the agency also obtain incident-based and aggregated data from every private facility with which it contracts for the confinement of its residents? (N/A if agency does not contract for the confinement of its residents.)	na
115.287 (f)	Data collection	
	Does the agency, upon request, provide all such data from the previous calendar year to the Department of Justice no later than June 30? (N/A if DOJ has not requested agency data.)	yes
115.288 (a)	Data review for corrective action	
	Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.287 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Identifying problem areas?	yes
	Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.287 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Taking corrective action on an ongoing basis?	yes
	Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.287 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Preparing an annual report of its findings and corrective actions for each facility, as well as the agency as a whole?	yes

115.288 (b)	Data review for corrective action	
	Does the agency's annual report include a comparison of the current year's data and corrective actions with those from prior years and provide an assessment of the agency's progress in addressing sexual abuse?	yes
115.288 (c)	Data review for corrective action	
	Is the agency's annual report approved by the agency head and made readily available to the public through its website or, if it does not have one, through other means?	yes
115.288 (d)	Data review for corrective action	
	Does the agency indicate the nature of the material redacted where it redacts specific material from the reports when publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of a facility?	yes
115.289 (a)	Data storage, publication, and destruction	
	Does the agency ensure that data collected pursuant to § 115.287 are securely retained?	yes
115.289 (b)	Data storage, publication, and destruction	
	Does the agency make all aggregated sexual abuse data, from facilities under its direct control and private facilities with which it contracts, readily available to the public at least annually through its website or, if it does not have one, through other means?	yes
115.289 (c)	Data storage, publication, and destruction	
	Does the agency remove all personal identifiers before making aggregated sexual abuse data publicly available?	yes
115.289 (d)	Data storage, publication, and destruction	
	Does the agency maintain sexual abuse data collected pursuant to § 115.287 for at least 10 years after the date of the initial collection, unless Federal, State, or local law requires otherwise?	yes

115.401 (a)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	During the prior three-year audit period, did the agency ensure that each facility operated by the agency, or by a private organization on behalf of the agency, was audited at least once? (Note: The response here is purely informational. A "no" response does not impact overall compliance with this standard.)	yes
115.401 (b)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Is this the first year of the current audit cycle? (Note: a "no" response does not impact overall compliance with this standard.)	yes
	If this is the second year of the current audit cycle, did the agency ensure that at least one-third of each facility type operated by the agency, or by a private organization on behalf of the agency, was audited during the first year of the current audit cycle? (N/A if this is not the second year of the current audit cycle.)	no
	If this is the third year of the current audit cycle, did the agency ensure that at least two-thirds of each facility type operated by the agency, or by a private organization on behalf of the agency, were audited during the first two years of the current audit cycle? (N/A if this is not the third year of the current audit cycle.)	no
115.401 (h)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Did the auditor have access to, and the ability to observe, all areas of the audited facility?	yes
115.401 (i)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Was the auditor permitted to request and receive copies of any relevant documents (including electronically stored information)?	yes
115.401 (m)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Was the auditor permitted to conduct private interviews with residents?	yes
115.401 (n)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Were inmates, residents, and detainees permitted to send confidential information or correspondence to the auditor in the	yes

	same manner as if they were communicating with legal counsel?	
115.403 (f)	Audit contents and findings	
	The agency has published on its agency website, if it has one, or has otherwise made publicly available, all Final Audit Reports. The review period is for prior audits completed during the past three years PRECEDING THIS AUDIT. The pendency of any agency appeal pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 115.405 does not excuse noncompliance with this provision. (N/A if there have been no Final Audit Reports issued in the past three years, or, in the case of single facility agencies, there has never been a Final Audit Report issued.)	yes