

**Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Audit Report
Community Confinement Facilities**

Final

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Agency Information

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| Name of Agency: Volunteers of America Southeast Louisiana | Governing Authority or Parent Agency (If Applicable): Same |
| Physical Address: 4152 Canal Street | City, State, Zip: New Orleans, La. 70119 |
| Telephone: (504)482-2130 | Is Agency accredited by any organization? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes |
| The Agency Is: <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Private for Profit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private not for Profit |
| Agency mission: To Provide Residential Reentry Services to the Federal Bureau of Prisons Inmates. | |
| Agency Website with PREA Information: www.voasela.org/residential-re-entry-services | |

Agency Chief Executive Officer

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Facility Information

Name of Facility: Volunteers of America Southeast Louisiana

Physical Address: 2929 Saint Anthony Street New Orleans, La. 70122

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Telephone Number: 504-944-5678

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| The Facility Is: | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Private for Profit | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private not for Profit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal | <input type="checkbox"/> County | <input type="checkbox"/> State | <input type="checkbox"/> Federal |

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| Facility Type: | <input type="checkbox"/> Community treatment center | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential Reentry Center | <input type="checkbox"/> Restitution center |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental health facility | <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol or drug rehabilitation center | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Other community correctional facility | | |

Facility Mission: To Provide Residential Reentry Services to Federal Bureau of Prisons Inmates.

Facility Website with PREA Information: www.voasela.org/residential-re-entry-services

Have there been any internal or external audits of and/or accreditations by any other organization? Yes No

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Facility Characteristics

Designated Facility Capacity: 100 Current Population of Facility: 64

Number of residents admitted to facility during the past 12 months 107

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| Number of residents admitted to facility during the past 12 months who were transferred from a different community confinement facility: | | 0 |
| Number of residents admitted to facility during the past 12 months whose length of stay in the facility was for 30 days or more: | | 91 |
| Number of residents admitted to facility during the past 12 months whose length of stay in the facility was for 72 hours or more: | | 107 |
| Number of residents on date of audit who were admitted to facility prior to August 20, 2012: | | 0 |
| Age Range of Population: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adults 23-70 <input type="checkbox"/> Juveniles None | <input type="checkbox"/> Youthful residents None |
| Average length of stay or time under supervision: | | 6 months |
| Facility Security Level: Community | | Minimum |
| Resident Custody Levels: Community | | Minimum |
| Number of staff currently employed by the facility who may have contact with residents: | | 26 |
| Number of staff hired by the facility during the past 12 months who may have contact with residents: | | 8 |
| Number of contracts in the past 12 months for services with contractors who may have contact with residents: | | 6 |
| Physical Plant | | |
| Number of Buildings: 1 | Number of Single Cell Housing Units: 0 | |
| Number of Multiple Occupancy Cell Housing Units: 0. | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| Number of Open Bay/Dorm Housing Units: one | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| Description of any video or electronic monitoring technology (including any relevant information about where cameras are placed, where the control room is, retention of video, etc.): | | |
| Cameras in halls, common areas and outside areas. Camera systems are located in secure areas. Systems allow playback up to 30 days. | | |
| Medical | | |
| Type of Medical Facility: | None on Site; all community-based | |
| Forensic sexual assault medical exams are conducted at: | University of New Orleans Medical Center | |
| Number of volunteers and individual contractors, who may have contact with residents, currently authorized to enter the facility: | | 6 |
| Number of investigators the agency currently employs to investigate allegations of sexual abuse:9 | | All investigations are conducted by the New Orleans Police Department |

Acronyms:

VOASELA- Volunteers of America Southeast Louisiana

New Orleans Police Department-NOPD

Audit Findings

Audit Narrative

This audit was conducted May 22-23, 2019, by Michele Dauzat, Certified PREA Auditor. No significant issues were found during this audit. There was one resident on resident prea incident since previous audit which was handled very professionally and appropriately.

Volunteers of America Southeast Louisiana was founded as an opportunity for outreach for prisoners and operates as a private not-for-profit organization. The organization not only provides services for community confinement residents but also provides a multitude of resources for the homeless population, the elderly and disabled and at risk youth.

The mission of the Volunteers of America Southeast Louisiana is to work with the community to provide resources to people in need and to create opportunity for people to experience the joy of serving others.

The facility houses sex offenders but no youthful offenders, it houses both male and female residents from Federal Bureau of Prisons.

All medical services are provided in the community, none at the facility. All allegations of abuse would be initially reviewed by senior staff for credibility and then referred to the Bureau of Prisons. All criminal investigations would be referred to New Orleans Police Department per their mutual agreement. It should be noted that residents have full access to any and all reporting agencies due to their community-access status.

The facility uses one contractor for food service and has one volunteer who was interviewed and articulated appropriate PREA training.

The notice of audit was posted throughout the facility prior to the schedule onsite audit phase. The PREA compliance Manager reported the notice was posted in all housing units, and dayrooms. The flyer explained the purpose of the audit and provided residents and staff with auditor contact information. The auditor did not receive any letters as a result of the posting prior to the onsite audit phase. The pre audit information was received in ample time to review prior to onsite review visit.

The pre audit phase preparation included a thorough evaluation of all documentation and materials submitted by the facility along with the data included in the pre audit questionnaire. The documentation reviewed included agency policies, procedures, forms, training curriculum and rosters, organizational charts, brochures, memorandums of understanding and other relevant materials that were provided to determine compliance with the PREA standards. A resident roster was provided to the auditor and a random sampling of residents were chosen for interviews. Residents were interviewed using the recommended Department of Justice PREA Compliance Audit Instrument Guides.

Operations are structured such that cross-gender searches, including pat downs, never occur, nor do cross gender entry into bathroom and shower areas. Cross gender entry into bedrooms is always announced and residents and staff both indicate that adequate time is allowed for residents to clothe themselves before actual staff entry. The practice is to allow at least 5 seconds after announcement before entry but observation during the tour is that 5 seconds would be the minimum. The only housing unit is a Coed house, for federal residents. It is always staffed with both a male and female security person. All toilet and shower areas are private with stall doors and shower curtains. Counts occur at the same times daily, so residents acknowledged in the interviews they can decide for themselves whether they wish to be in the bath/shower or not.

Staff training is excellent, thorough and well-documented and interviews affirmed that all required topics are covered annually and in initial training as well. Inasmuch as the small number of mid-level and senior staff routinely fill multiple roles, training usually overlaps several areas for each person.

Staff and residents are trained in appropriate responses, however; individuals interviewed demonstrated their knowledge of the proper steps. Residents can contact the local victim services agency at the provided telephone numbers at any time, in addition to Silence is Violence Advocacy hotline to report allegation. Each resident is permitted to use the telephone without questions or clearance. This ensures that each resident can access reporting services at any time.

Aside from scheduled counts and regular locker searches, residents are lightly regulated and have extensive access to the outside community. Every resident interviewed was cognizant of several avenues to file a complaint although none had ever had any issues, and every resident interviewed firmly believed that a complaint to a staff member would elicit immediate response. Every resident interviewed stated confidently that staff was committed to resident safety and would tolerate no inappropriate behavior. Problems are reduced also because the goal of every resident interviewed was to maintain their pending release date, work, earn funds and return home.

Onsite Review

The onsite review was conducted began on the morning of May 22nd, 2019, led by Olugbenga Akanji, PREA Coordinator and visited all spaces and buildings.

The review revealed a common and consistent approach to operations and physical plant furnishing and design. All sleeping areas contained various numbers of bunk beds and all toilet areas were largely private and showers were curtained. Cameras are well-placed in all common areas with none in areas where privacy would be expected. There were no apparent blind spots, camera coverage was adequate throughout all housing areas, day room, kitchen, etc. The areas visited are listed below:

Administrative buildings

Housing Area

Kitchen area

Male Resident dorm rooms

Male Resident day room

Male Resident bathroom/showering areas

Laundry room
Control Room
Staff offices
Dining Hall
Female Resident dorm rooms
Female Resident day room
Female Resident bathroom/showering areas
Vending Machine area
Control Center
Recreation area
Lobby

The housing units and the administrative offices are on grounds that are well cared for with neatly trimmed lawns and hedges. The properties are well maintained with pleasing painting schemes.

Interviews (26 Staff, 15 Residents)

Specialized Staff (Some have multiple roles due to small program size):

1 Agency President/CEO
1 PREA Coordinator
2 Incident Review Team Members
1 HR Director
1 Retaliation Monitor
1 Facility Director
1 Security Chief
1 Volunteer
1 Intake Staff
1 Staff who Perform Screening for Risk of Victimization
2 First responders, both security and non-security staff, including Chief of Security

13 Random Staff

2 Cognitive Disabled Resident
1 Older Resident
2 Limited English Speaking Resident

10 Random Residents

Inmates must be adults nearing their release to be considered for the program. In general, convictions for violent offenses or drug distribution crimes are restricted to no more than six months in the program.

The program does not routinely receive disabled or limited English proficient residents. There were no residents reported, self-identified, or perceived as LGBTI.

All PREA standards and policies were reviewed for compliance. A random selection of staff and residents were chosen to interview. All documentation reviewed for compliance including but not limited to training rosters, human resource files, investigative report, etc. On the last day of the onsite audit review, a debriefing was held with the facility leadership team. The auditor summarized preliminary audit findings. During this meeting, feedback was provided to the staff regarding the facility's strength as it relates to the DOJ PREA standards.

Facility Characteristics

Administrative Offices, located in downtown New Orleans at 4152 Canal St., maintain the offices for the: President/CEO, Executive Vice President, agency human resource staff and fiscal personnel. The location audited is located on 2929 Saint Anthony in New Orleans and only houses minimum custody residents. The total population assigned on the first day of the onsite review was 58. This number includes female and male residents and includes 21 residents assigned to home confinement status.

Volunteers of America Southeast Louisiana contracts with the Federal Bureau of Prisons to provide residential services for inmates serving the final phases of their sentences.

The facility has one building utilized for resident housing, recreation needs and administrative offices. The building includes, resident rooms, laundry, kitchen, day room, security and administrative offices, control room, dining room and exercise room. The building has a room for women and a room for males. Each area has a day room with a sofa, chairs, coffee table and television. The female unit is on a separate wing from the male population. The female and male population can recreate at the same time but have to remain 6 feet apart at all times. They eat in the dining hall together but are not permitted to interact, the first two tables are reserved for female population. Each room has extra long twin beds and storage units for assigned residents. The auditor notification was visible in each unit on the community bulletin boards. Residents are permitted to keep on person a cell phone for use at any time. Each wing has a communal restroom with individual stalls for showering and toilet use. The laundry room has a specific schedule designed so the two populations do not utilize equipment at the same time.

The following areas have camera coverage that is monitored continuously by staff:

Male Day Room

Female Day Room

Laundry

Kitchen

Dining Hall

Men Hall

Women Hall

Vending area
Recreational area
Lobby

The outside recreational area is small but consist of an exercise area with appropriate equipment. The area is monitored via camera and is only permitted for use with same gender. Staff was observed making cross gender announcements prior to entering hall. All interviews with residents communicated to auditor that this is a routine practice. The routine rounds conducted by the officers are documented and consistent. Female officers make rounds on female unit and male officers conduct the routine rounds for male unit. In the event staffing does not permit, the cross gender announcement is made and the residents are given a few minutes to dress before staff enters area. It should be noted that there has not been an incident during the reporting period that required cross gender supervision for routine rounds and/or pat searches.

Summary of Audit Findings

Number of Standards Exceeded: 5 Click or tap here to enter text.

Number of Standards Met: 39 Click or tap here to enter text.

Number of Standards Not Met: 0 Click or tap here to enter text.

Summary of Corrective Action (if any): None required; this continues to be a safe and an excellent facility.

Volunteers of America Southeast Louisiana did not require any corrective action at this time.

PREVENTION PLANNING

Standard 115.211: Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator

115.211 (a)

- Does the agency have a written policy mandating zero tolerance toward all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No
- Does the written policy outline the agency's approach to preventing, detecting, and responding to sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No

115.211 (b)

- Has the agency employed or designated an agency-wide PREA Coordinator? Yes No
- Is the PREA Coordinator position in the upper-level of the agency hierarchy? Yes No
- 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 facilities?
 Yes No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

The facility has a very detailed policy directive for Sexual Abuse. They provide a safe and secure environment for residents. The policy outlines the facilities approach to preventing, detecting and responding to sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The policy includes a response protocol for allegations of abuse and/or harassment. The policy is in practice; interviews with both residents and staff affirmed that this culture is taken very seriously by the entire program and all staff. This faith-based program takes its mission to heart and embeds resident safety and mutual resident-staff respect into all facets of its operations. The PREA Coordinator is identified and meets criteria. There is one PREA coordinator for facility but due to the size of the population, one is very effective. The PREA Coordinator, although has many responsibilities, voiced he has sufficient time and authority to develop, implement and oversee the facility efforts to comply with the PREA standards.

Standard 115.212: Contracting with other entities for the confinement of residents

115.212 (a)

- 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 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.) Yes No NA

115.212 (b)

- 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 OR the response to 115.212(a)-1 is "NO".) Yes No NA

115.212 (c)

- 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 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.) Yes No NA
- 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.) Yes No NA

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Agreements with the Police Department and medical providers do specify PREA compliance by those organizations.

Standard 115.213: Supervision and monitoring

115.213 (a)

- Does the agency develop for each facility a staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing and, where applicable, video monitoring, to protect residents against sexual abuse?
 Yes No
- Does the agency document for each facility a staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing and, where applicable, video monitoring, to protect residents against sexual abuse?
 Yes No
- Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration the physical layout of each facility in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring? Yes No
- Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration the composition of the resident population in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring? Yes No
- Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration the prevalence of substantiated and unsubstantiated incidents of sexual abuse in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring? Yes No
- Does the agency ensure that each facility's staffing plan takes into consideration any other relevant factors in calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring? Yes No

115.213 (b)

- In circumstances where the staffing plan is not complied with, does the facility document and justify all deviations from the plan? (N/A if no deviations from staffing plan.)
 Yes No NA

115.213 (c)

- 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 No
- In the past 12 months, has the facility assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to prevailing staffing patterns? Yes No
- 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 No
- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

The policy directive ensures the facility will develop, document and make its best effort to follow a staffing plan that provides for adequate level of staffing and when applicable video monitoring, to protect residents against sexual abuse. The staffing plan also includes but is not limited to: number and placement of supervisory staff, the prevalence of substantiated and unsubstantiated incidents of sexual abuse, generally accepted detention and correctional practices, any judicial findings of inadequacy, any finding of inadequacy from Federal Investigative agencies, all components of the facility's physical plant, the composition of the resident population, facility programming, any applicable state or local laws, regulations, or standards, any findings of inadequacy from internal or external oversight bodies, and any other relevant factors. The staffing plan is reviewed annually in collaboration with agency PREA Coordinator and Facility Director, PREA Compliance manager and Chief of Security. The facility administration reported that the facility has not deviated from the staffing plan within the past 12 months.

There is a female and male officer on each shift and the Director and Chief of Security are always on call, all of whom make logged, unannounced rounds. This documentation was reviewed during the On-site review and interviews with staff indicated rounds were unannounced and completed on routine and unscheduled basis. The control room officer does a complete view of each camera every 15 minutes and documents the review.

Standard 115.215: Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches

115.215 (a)

- Does the facility always refrain from conducting any cross-gender strip or cross-gender visual body cavity searches, except in exigent circumstances or by medical practitioners?
 Yes No

115.215 (b)

- Does the facility always refrain from conducting cross-gender pat-down searches of female residents, except in exigent circumstances? (N/A if less than 50 residents)
 Yes No NA
- 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 less than 50 residents) Yes No NA

115.215 (c)

- Does the facility document all cross-gender strip searches and cross-gender visual body cavity searches? Yes No
- Does the facility document all cross-gender pat-down searches of female residents? Yes No

115.215 (d)

- Does the facility implement policies and procedures that enable residents to shower, perform bodily functions, and change clothing without nonmedical 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 No
- 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 No

115.215 (e)

- 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 No
- If a 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 No

115.215 (f)

- 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 No
- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Policy covers the procedures for searches and is compliant with the mandates of this standard. The facility does not allow cross gender pat searches or body cavity searches. Policy provides that they do not perform cross gender pat searches except for exigent circumstances. None have been done in recent years through early 2019. There is an unusual occurrence report to use if needed.

The policy in place also states that no one will be searched to determine their genital status. The facility does not do cavity searches and those would be done at a medical facility if needed. The program utilizes a local hospital, University of New Orleans Medical Center for all medical needs.

There is no cross-gender viewing of residents in toilet or shower areas, and there is no cross-gender access to dormitories without announcements and waiting enough time for residents to cover themselves. Policy in place is to allow at least 5 seconds and it was obvious in the tour and interviews that longer times are routine. During the interviews with residents, it was reported by every resident that staff is respectful of their privacy and wait for residents to dress before entering unit. Residents also reported that there is no time that a resident is in naked in full view of opposite gender staff member. Currently, the facility does not have any transgender residents. It appears through review of documentation and resident interviews staff is very respectful of the privacy of the residents. The facility exceeds this standard due to the diligence in maintaining privacy and the requirement of only allowing same gender pat down searches.

Standard 115.216: Residents with disabilities and residents who are limited English proficient

115.216 (a)

- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 No

- 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 No
- 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 No
- Do such steps include, when necessary, ensuring effective communication with residents who are deaf or hard of hearing? Yes No
- 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 No
- 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 intellectual disabilities? Yes No
- 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? Yes No
- 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: Are blind or have low vision? Yes No

115.216 (b)

- 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 No
- Do these steps include providing interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary? Yes No

115.216 (c)

- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

The facility provides offender education in formats accessible to all residents, including those who are limited English proficient, deaf, visually impaired, intellectual and/or physical disabilities, as well as to residents who have limited reading skills. The facility has an agreement with Lighthouse Louisiana for sign language needs and with Multi Language Solutions for the foreign language need. Two limited English proficient residents were interviewed and reported being given appropriate resources and have never had concerns relative to PREA or communicating with staff. Facility policy prohibits the use of resident interpreters. In the past 12 months, VOASELA has not used a resident interpreter to gather information for a PREA allegation. During the interviews with random sample of staff, no staff member could recall the facility ever using a resident for translation purposes as it relates to PREA. In addition to the limited English speaking residents, two resident with cognitive limits and one elderly resident were interviewed. All residents reported the facility was very accommodating to all special needs of the population.

Standard 115.217: Hiring and promotion decisions

115.217 (a)

- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 question immediately above? Yes No

- Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of 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 No
- Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of 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 force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse? Yes No
- Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of 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 question immediately above? Yes No

115.217 (b)

- Does the agency consider 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? Yes No

115.217 (c)

- Before hiring new employees, who may have contact with residents, does the agency: Perform a criminal background records check? Yes No
- 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 No

115.217 (d)

- Does the agency perform a criminal background records check before enlisting the services of any contractor who may have contact with residents? Yes No

115.217 (e)

- 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 No

115.217 (f)

- 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 No

- 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 No
- Does the agency impose upon employees a continuing affirmative duty to disclose any such misconduct? Yes No

115.217 (g)

- Does the agency consider material omissions regarding such misconduct, or the provision of materially false information, grounds for termination? Yes No

115.217 (h)

- Unless prohibited by law, 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 No NA

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Policy requires that VOASELA shall not hire or promote anyone into a position who may have contact with residents that have engaged in sexual abuse of offenders in an institutional setting, has been convicted of engaging in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, the threat of force, or coercion, or has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in such activity. The HR Director confirmed this practice during interview. It was also reported that the facility does consider prior incidents of sexual harassment/sexual abuse when determining whether to promote or hire staff. The facility is in compliance with the requirement of the standard of conducting background checks on all employees every five years. The facility uses the NCIC database to run the checks on all potential and current employees. During the onsite audit review, employee files were reviewed, and all contained background check in accordance with the standard.

Standard 115.218: Upgrades to facilities and technologies

115.218 (a)

- 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.)

Yes No NA

115.218 (b)

- 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 agency's ability to protect residents from sexual abuse? (N/A if agency/facility has not installed or updated a video monitoring system, electronic surveillance system, or other monitoring technology since August 20, 2012, or since the last PREA audit, whichever is later.)

Yes No NA

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

There have been no new upgrades since the last PREA audit in 2016. During the site review, cameras were observed throughout the facility.

RESPONSIVE PLANNING

Standard 115.221: Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations

115.221 (a)

- 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 No NA

115.221 (b)

- Is this protocol developmentally appropriate for youth where applicable? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations.) Yes No NA

- 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? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations.) Yes No NA

115.221 (c)

- Does the agency offer all residents who experience sexual abuse access to forensic medical examinations, whether on-site or at an outside facility, without financial cost, where evidentiarily or medically appropriate? Yes No
- Are such examinations performed by Sexual Assault Forensic Examiners (SAFEs) or Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs) where possible? Yes No
- 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 No
- Has the agency documented its efforts to provide SAFEs or SANEs? Yes No

115.221 (d)

- Does the agency attempt to make available to the victim a victim advocate from a rape crisis center? Yes No
- 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 No
- Has the agency documented its efforts to secure services from rape crisis centers? Yes No

115.221 (e)

- 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 No
- As requested by the victim, does this person provide emotional support, crisis intervention, information, and referrals? Yes No

115.221 (f)

- If the agency itself is not responsible for investigating allegations of sexual abuse, has the agency requested that the investigating entity 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 No NA

115.221 (g)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

115.221 (h)

- 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? (Check N/A if agency attempts to make a victim advocate from a rape crisis center available to victims per 115.221(d) above.) Yes No NA

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

The facility refers all PREA allegations to the Bureau of Prisons (administrative) and local law enforcement agency, New Orleans Police Department is referred all criminal investigations. The Bureau of Prisons and NOPD responds immediately and assumes responsibility for the investigation. During interviews with staff, it was obvious staff is aware of the procedures on how to contact the appropriate agency and medical staff to respond to facility in the event of an allegation. The facility uses the Silence the Violence Agency for the Victim Advocacy services. The facility has not had incident within the past 12 months that would require a forensic examination. Any medical needs, including a forensic exam, are addressed by the University of New Orleans Medical Center. The facility has a very detailed and specific Uniform Evidence Protocol in place. The protocol was designed to ensure the evidence is preserved in the most secure manner protecting all parties involved. The protocol specifics and the intent of the facility exceeds the requirement of this standard.

Standard 115.222: Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investigations

115.222 (a)

- Does the agency ensure an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse? Yes No
- Does the agency ensure an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual harassment? Yes No

115.222 (b)

- Does the agency have a policy and practice 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 No
- Has the agency published such policy on its website or, if it does not have one, made the policy available through other means? Yes No
- Does the agency document all such referrals? Yes No

115.222 (c)

- If a separate entity is responsible for conducting criminal investigations, does such publication 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 No NA

115.222 (d)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

115.222 (e)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Policy requires all allegations of sexual abuse, sexual harassment, or nonconsensual sexual acts shall be referred to New Orleans Police Department immediately. The facility and the police department have an agreement that the police department will recognize the efforts of NOPD to comply with PREA standards and agree to comply with all investigative protocols regarding PREA investigations at VOASELA.

TRAINING AND EDUCATION

Standard 115.231: Employee training

115.231 (a)

- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: Its zero-tolerance policy for sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No
- 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 No
- 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 No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: The right of residents and employees to be free from retaliation for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: The dynamics of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in confinement? Yes No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: The common reactions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment victims? Yes No
- 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 No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: How to avoid inappropriate relationships with residents? Yes No
- 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 No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on: How to comply with relevant laws related to mandatory reporting of sexual abuse to outside authorities? Yes No

115.231 (b)

- Is such training tailored to the gender of the residents at the employee's facility? Yes No
- Have employees received additional training if reassigned from a facility that houses only male residents to a facility that houses only female residents, or vice versa? Yes No

115.231 (c)

- Have all current employees who may have contact with residents received such training?
 Yes No
- Does the agency provide each employee with refresher training every two years to ensure that all employees know the agency's current sexual abuse and sexual harassment policies and procedures? Yes No
- In years in which an employee does not receive refresher training, does the agency provide refresher information on current sexual abuse and sexual harassment policies? Yes No

115.231 (d)

- Does the agency document, through employee signature or electronic verification, that employees understand the training they have received? Yes No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

According to the policy all newly hired employees shall receive the minimum training required by PREA standards. Staff receive training information relative to both female and male population. Prior to the onsite review, VOASELA provided lesson plans and numerous training logs for the auditor to review. The facility's training curriculum was reviewed and was found to address all required components of this standard as mandated. During the onsite portion of the audit, an additional random sample of employees training rosters were reviewed. All employees sign a statement of receiving the PREA training as required. During the interviews with a random sample of staff, they acknowledge participating in education training as it relates to PREA. Every employee interviewed voiced knowledge of policy, procedure and facility zero tolerance approach to PREA. It was clear during these interviews that staff are receiving and understand the material that is being provided to them during training. Staff did not have any difficulty articulating on how to respond to reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment if reported to them. Staff reported they receive training upon initial employment in addition to annual training and routine staff meetings. Interviews reflected that the training is conducted in an informal setting allowing the employee to freely ask questions and engage in discussion.

Standard 115.232: Volunteer and contractor training

115.232 (a)

- 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 No

115.232 (b)

- 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 No

115.232 (c)

- Does the agency maintain documentation confirming that volunteers and contractors understand the training they have received? Yes No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

There is one volunteer that assist residents with various community resources. The volunteer is a religious volunteer. The facility has one food service sub-contractor and agreements with the police department and local medical providers do specify PREA compliance. Policy does state that any such volunteers or contractors would be trained and held accountable as required in the standard. The religious volunteer was interviewed via phone and stated he received training upon initiation of service and receives it annually. Volunteer was very familiar with the PREA process and articulated his understanding of the severity of reporting to the proper authority if he received a complaint from a resident.

Standard 115.233: Resident education

115.233 (a)

- During intake, do residents receive information explaining: The agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No

- During intake, do residents receive information explaining: How to report incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse or sexual harassment? Yes No
- During intake, do residents receive information explaining: Their rights to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No
- During intake, do residents receive information explaining: Their rights to be free from retaliation for reporting such incidents? Yes No
- During intake, do residents receive information regarding agency policies and procedures for responding to such incidents? Yes No

115.233 (b)

- Does the agency provide refresher information whenever a resident is transferred to a different facility? Yes No

115.233 (c)

- Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents, including those who: Are limited English proficient? Yes No
- Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents, including those who: Are deaf? Yes No
- Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents, including those who: Are visually impaired? Yes No
- Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents, including those who: Are otherwise disabled? Yes No
- Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents, including those who: Have limited reading skills? Yes No

115.233 (d)

- Does the agency maintain documentation of resident participation in these education sessions? Yes No

115.233 (e)

- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

The company policy states that information about the facility's policy and procedure regarding sexual abuse/harassment is provided to each resident during the orientation program and is provided in a manner which is understood by the resident. During the intake process, residents receive information explaining the agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and harassment and how to report incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse/harassment. Within 30 days of intake, the facility provides comprehensive one on one orientation with the case manager. The information includes explaining the right to be free from sexual abuse/harassment and to be free from retaliation for reporting such incidents. Schedules, policies, reception and training requirements for new residents, and all interviews clearly demonstrated compliance. Every resident was clear that the procedures, rules, processes and- most importantly- culture of zero tolerance were imparted to them beyond any question. The facility provides resident education in formats accessible to all residents, including those who are limited English proficient, deaf, visually impaired, or otherwise disabled as well as to offenders who have limited reading skills. Random resident interviews indicated that residents have knowledge of PREA as well as the means to report allegations, During the site review, it was noted signage was present in all housing areas, dining halls, etc.

Standard 115.234: Specialized training: Investigations

115.234 (a)

- In addition to the general training provided to all employees pursuant to §115.231, does the agency ensure that, to the extent the agency itself conducts sexual abuse investigations, its investigators have received training in conducting such investigations in confinement settings? [N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a).] Yes No NA

115.234 (b)

- Does this specialized training include: Techniques for interviewing sexual abuse victims? [N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a).] Yes No NA
- Does this specialized training include: Proper use of Miranda and Garrity warnings? [N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a).] Yes No NA

- Does this specialized training include: Sexual abuse evidence collection in confinement settings? [N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a).] Yes No NA
- 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 administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a).] Yes No NA

115.234 (c)

- 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 administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a).] Yes No NA

115.234 (d)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

The facility has nine investigators which is a large number for such a small facility. The Assistant Director has received additional training in sexual abuse investigations; but any investigation of a sexual abuse allegation, if one were to occur, would be handled by the New Orleans Police Department.

Standard 115.235: Specialized training: Medical and mental health care

115.235 (a)

- 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? Yes No
- 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? Yes No
- 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? Yes No
- 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? Yes No

115.235 (b)

- 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 medical staff at the facility do not conduct forensic exams.) Yes No NA

115.235 (c)

- 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? Yes No

115.235 (d)

- Do medical and mental health care practitioners employed by the agency also receive training mandated for employees by §115.231? Yes No
- Do medical and mental health care practitioners contracted by and volunteering for the agency also receive training mandated for contractors and volunteers by §115.232? [N/A for circumstances in which a particular status (employee or contractor/volunteer) does not apply.] Yes No NA

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

As noted earlier, all medical and mental health care is provided external to the program and Case Management staff can refer out for treatment as necessary. Any Safe/Sane exams would be completed at the local hospital. It is noted that mental health and major medical cases have not been sent to this program by the federal Bureau of Prisons.

SCREENING FOR RISK OF SEXUAL VICTIMIZATION AND ABUSIVENESS

Standard 115.241: Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness

115.241 (a)

- Are all residents assessed during an intake screening for their risk of being sexually abused by other residents or sexually abusive toward other residents? Yes No
- Are all residents assessed upon transfer to another facility for their risk of being sexually abused by other residents or sexually abusive toward other residents? Yes No

115.241 (b)

- Do intake screenings ordinarily take place within 72 hours of arrival at the facility?
 Yes No

115.241 (c)

- Are all PREA screening assessments conducted using an objective screening instrument?
 Yes No

115.241 (d)

- Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess residents for risk of sexual victimization: Whether the resident has a mental, physical, or developmental disability? Yes No
- Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess residents for risk of sexual victimization: The age of the resident? Yes No
- Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess residents for risk of sexual victimization: The physical build of the resident? Yes No
- Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess residents for risk of sexual victimization: Whether the resident has previously been incarcerated?
 Yes No

- Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess residents for risk of sexual victimization: Whether the resident's criminal history is exclusively nonviolent?
 Yes No
- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 No

115.241 (e)

- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 No

115.241 (f)

- 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 No

115.241 (g)

- Does the facility reassess a resident's risk level when warranted due to a: Referral?
 Yes No
- Does the facility reassess a resident's risk level when warranted due to a: Request?
 Yes No

- Does the facility reassess a resident's risk level when warranted due to a: Incident of sexual abuse? Yes No
- 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 No

115.241 (h)

- 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 No

115.241 (i)

- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

The facility has a screening tool in place that specifically address all of the required factors per the standard. The facility also completes a very thorough assessment of vulnerability within the first 30 days of arrival to determine if the resident feels safe in his or her living environment. The intake officer completes the initial screening immediately and the assessment tool is completed within the following 24 hours. Since this is a re-entry facility, intake screening also reviews any possibility of co-defendants and enemies being in the same facility. Upon screening, if it is determined that the resident is inappropriate for housing due to a PREA concern, the Federal Bureau of Prisons would be notified and resident reassigned to a more appropriate facility. Each resident is reviewed every 30 days by the administrative board to review and complaints or concerns the resident may be experiencing. The facility exceeds the requirement of this standard.

Standard 115.242: Use of screening information

115.242 (a)

- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 No

115.242 (b)

- Does the agency make individualized determinations about how to ensure the safety of each resident? Yes No

115.242 (c)

- 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 No
- 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 No

115.242 (d)

- 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 No

115.242 (e)

- Are transgender and intersex residents given the opportunity to shower separately from other residents? Yes No

115.242 (f)

- 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? Yes No
- 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? Yes No
- 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: intersex residents in dedicated facilities, units, or wings solely on the basis of such identification or status? Yes No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Staff does a great job in determining housing of new residents after their initial arrival and assessment period, and they do consider history, behavior, social skills and length of time remaining. As noted earlier, youthful offenders are not received here, so some normal PREA classification decisions are not needed. The facility does not currently house any residents who identify as transgender; however, the facility has a clear plan on how to accommodate the needs of transgender residents. The facility previously had a transgender resident and staff indicated during interviews that the preferred pronouns of the resident were used. In addition, although the showers are individual stalls, the staff cleared the showers to allow the transgender resident to shower alone so the resident would feel more comfortable. The facility completes an initial screening of the resident to alert staff if the resident has any immediate concerns. If noted the resident has concerns for his or her safety or may be vulnerable to living in the housing area, the Program Director is immediately notified and Bureau of Prisons intervenes to make arrangements suitable to the resident needs. All factors of vulnerability are considered prior to placing the resident in the housing area. The facility takes a team approach when determining the safety of the residents. The accessibility of the Director, the detail in the screening tool, and the mission for resident safety confirms the facility exceeds the minimum requirement of this standard.

REPORTING

Standard 115.251: Resident reporting

115.251 (a)

- Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for residents to privately report: Sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No
- 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 No
- 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 No

115.251 (b)

- 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 No
- Is that private entity or office able to receive and immediately forward resident reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to agency officials? Yes No
- Does that private entity or office allow the resident to remain anonymous upon request? Yes No

115.251 (c)

- Do staff members accept reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment made verbally, in writing, anonymously, and from third parties? Yes No
- Do staff members promptly document any verbal reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No

115.251 (d)

- Does the agency provide a method for staff to privately report sexual abuse and sexual harassment of residents? Yes No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)

- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Residents have numerous methods to report any issues or abuse, including telephone or mail access to Silence the Violence (Victim Advocate Organization) staff of choice; the Police Department and Bureau of Prisons. All required notices with phone numbers, addresses, etc. are in all houses, on all bulletin boards. Additionally, information is provided on the bulletin boards. This area is extensively covered in initial arrival orientation as well. Every resident interviewed indicated they would access a staff member vice an external agency, as they were uniformly certain that any issue would be immediately resolved. In addition, each resident is permitted to have unlimited use of personal cell phones which also provides with a means to reporting to local law enforcement at any time day or night.

Standard 115.252: Exhaustion of administrative remedies

115.252 (a)

- 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 have an administrative remedies process to address sexual abuse. Yes No NA

115.252 (b)

- Does the agency permit residents to submit a grievance regarding an allegation of sexual abuse without any type of time limits? (The agency may apply otherwise-applicable time limits to any portion of a grievance that does not allege an incident of sexual abuse.) (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA
- Does the agency always refrain from requiring a resident to use any informal grievance process, or to otherwise attempt to resolve with staff, an alleged incident of sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA

115.252 (c)

- 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 No NA
- 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 No NA

115.252 (d)

- 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 No NA
- 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 of time to respond 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 No NA
- 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 No NA

115.252 (e)

- 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 No NA
- Are those third parties also permitted to file such requests on behalf of residents? (If a third-party file such a request on behalf 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.) Yes No NA
- 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 No NA

115.252 (f)

- 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 No NA

- 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 No NA
- 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 No NA
- 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 No NA
- 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 No NA
- 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 No NA
- 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 No NA

115.252 (g)

- If the agency disciplines a resident for filing a grievance related to 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.) Yes No NA

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Policy, file documentation and interviews with both residents and staff show that program policy and practice align with the PREA standard. The information is provided in the resident handbook. Based on policy review, all Administrative Remedy Procedure complaints relative to PREA are treated as an emergency. There have been no current complaints to date through the Administrative Remedy Procedure regarding PREA.

Standard 115.253: Resident access to outside confidential support services

115.253 (a)

- 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 No
- Does the facility enable reasonable communication between residents and these organizations and agencies, in as confidential a manner as possible? Yes No

115.253 (b)

- 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 No

115.253 (c)

- 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 No
- Does the agency maintain copies of agreements or documentation showing attempts to enter into such agreements? Yes No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Silence the Violence, victim services organization, is a community resource and available by phone or mail or visit; all necessary information is published and widely posted in the houses.

Standard 115.254: Third-party reporting

115.254 (a)

- Has the agency established a method to receive third-party reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No
- Has the agency distributed publicly information on how to report sexual abuse and sexual harassment on behalf of a resident? Yes No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

All residents interviewed were aware of the capability and methods to do this, including use of their own families and visitors, hotlines, Silence the Violence, etc.

Third party reporting information is readily available to all residents through the orientation manual provided upon intake.

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| OFFICIAL RESPONSE FOLLOWING A RESIDENT REPORT |
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Standard 115.261: Staff and agency reporting duties

115.261 (a)

- Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information regarding an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment that occurred in a facility, whether or not it is part of the agency? Yes No
- 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 No
- 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 No

115.261 (b)

- 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 No

115.261 (c)

- 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 No
- 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 No

115.261 (d)

- 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 No

115.261 (e)

- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Policy and training are very clear that staff will treat each and all complaints as credible regardless of source, and will respond immediately and insure that the leadership structure is notified. The one complaint that was received since last audit (2016) was referred to Bureau of Prisons immediately and alleged aggressor was placed on administrative leave. The facility responded immediately and handled allegation appropriately. There are no youthful offenders at this facility.

Standard 115.262: Agency protection duties

115.262 (a)

- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Company policy requires staff to take immediate action once an allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment is reported. Policy outlines staff responsibility if they learn a resident is at immediate substantial risk of sexual abuse. The extensive focus on responsibility and culture of respect in this program is clear in all policies and the program policy on reporting is built in to all processes. Every staff and resident interviewed was aware of the requirement to report issues and to ensure the safety of all residents.

Standard 115.263: Reporting to other confinement facilities

115.263 (a)

- 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 No

115.263 (b)

- Is such notification provided as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours after receiving the allegation? Yes No

115.263 (c)

- Does the agency document that it has provided such notification? Yes No

115.263 (d)

- Does the facility head or agency office that receives such notification ensure that the allegation is investigated in accordance with these standards? Yes No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Polices are compliant and staff is aware of procedure but have not needed to be exercised.

Standard 115.264: Staff first responder duties

115.264 (a)

- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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, 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 No
- 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 No

115.264 (b)

- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Each staff member interviewed was trained on initial response and all security staff were additionally trained as first responders. First responders/security staff had additional inputs in more detail, but all staff members interviewed, including non-security persons, were aware of the basic requirements to protect victims, separate parties, preserve evidence and notify leadership. Their training was both initial and recurring annually. The facility utilizes a PREA incident report to document the response for to all allegations of abuse.

Standard 115.265: Coordinated response

115.265 (a)

- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

The program has a coordinated response plan that is very detailed and includes the notification and response time from local law enforcement. It details staff responsibilities and notification lists to include facility leadership. Additionally, when confronted with individual challenges that occur in residents' lives, the issues are usually life issues vice safety or security, and normally require individual case management response, not incident response. The auditor was able to review the only incident in

recent years and the coordinated action plan was completed and executed appropriately. Staff was familiar with the plan and could easily articulate the responsibilities of each first responder. It is evident by policy and response plan, resident safety is of the upmost importance. The coordinated action plan in place is detailed and clearly demonstrates the facility dedication to zero tolerance of sexual assault. The response plan exceeds the requirements of the PREA standard.

Standard 115.266: Preservation of ability to protect residents from contact with abusers

115.266 (a)

- 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 No

115.266 (b)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

There has been no collective bargaining agreement entered into or renewed since August 2012.

Standard 115.267: Agency protection against retaliation

115.267 (a)

- 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 No
- Has the agency designated which staff members or departments are charged with monitoring retaliation? Yes No

115.267 (b)

- 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 No

115.267 (c)

- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 housing changes? Yes No
- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 reassignments of staff? Yes No

- Does the agency continue such monitoring beyond 90 days if the initial monitoring indicates a continuing need? Yes No

115.267 (d)

- In the case of residents, does such monitoring also include periodic status checks?
 Yes No

115.267 (e)

- 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 No

115.267 (f)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

According to company policy, VOASELA is mandated to monitor retaliation against residents or staff who report sexual abuse or sexual harassment or who cooperate with investigations. Retaliation is strictly prohibited. The PREA Coordinator acts as the monitor, per program policy, but has yet to face any need for him to oversee such protection during this reporting period. If monitoring were ever needed it would be a minimum of 90 days and most likely until expiration of release. There is no maximum time to monitor such an incident.

INVESTIGATIONS

Standard 115.271: Criminal and administrative agency investigations

115.271 (a)

- 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 No NA

- 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 No NA

115.271 (b)

- 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 No

115.271 (c)

- Do investigators gather and preserve direct and circumstantial evidence, including any available physical and DNA evidence and any available electronic monitoring data? Yes No
- Do investigators interview alleged victims, suspected perpetrators, and witnesses? Yes No
- Do investigators review prior reports and complaints of sexual abuse involving the suspected perpetrator? Yes No

115.271 (d)

- When the quality of evidence appears to support criminal prosecution, does the agency conduct compelled interviews only after consulting with prosecutors as to whether compelled interviews may be an obstacle for subsequent criminal prosecution? Yes No

115.271 (e)

- Do agency investigators assess the credibility of an alleged victim, suspect, or witness on an individual basis and not on the basis of that individual's status as resident or staff? Yes No
- Does the agency investigate allegations of sexual abuse without requiring a resident who alleges sexual abuse to submit to a polygraph examination or other truth-telling device as a condition for proceeding? Yes No

115.271 (f)

- Do administrative investigations include an effort to determine whether staff actions or failures to act contributed to the abuse? Yes No

- Are administrative investigations documented in written reports that include a description of the physical evidence and testimonial evidence, the reasoning behind credibility assessments, and investigative facts and findings? Yes No

115.271 (g)

- Are criminal investigations documented in a written report that contains a thorough description of the physical, testimonial, and documentary evidence and attaches copies of all documentary evidence where feasible? Yes No

115.271 (h)

- Are all substantiated allegations of conduct that appears to be criminal referred for prosecution? Yes No

115.271 (i)

- 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 No

115.271 (j)

- Does the agency ensure that the departure of an alleged abuser or victim from the employment or control of the agency does not provide a basis for terminating an investigation? Yes No

115.271 (k)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

115.271 (l)

- 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 administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.221(a).] Yes No NA

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

All investigations are referred to the Bureau of Prison (administrative) and New Orleans Police Department (NOPD) per agreement, but the facility does initiate an administrative investigation to ensure evidence is preserved, participants are identified, etc. The agreement calls for PREA observance by the NOPD in process, investigations, and investigator training. The PREA Compliance manager has received specialized training from National Institute on Corrections titled PREA Investigative Training, Investigating Abuse in Confinement. Staff document in a format that includes a checklist to demonstrate all steps have been completed.

Standard 115.272: Evidentiary standard for administrative investigations

115.272 (a)

- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Program policy is aligned and requires this preponderance standard in internal decision making and disciplinary reviews.

Standard 115.273: Reporting to residents

115.273 (a)

- 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 No

115.273 (b)

- If the agency did not conduct the investigation into a resident's allegation of sexual abuse in an agency facility, does the agency 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.) Yes No NA

115.273 (c)

- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 No

115.273 (d)

- 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 No
- 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 convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility?
 Yes No

115.273 (e)

- Does the agency document all such notifications or attempted notifications? Yes No

115.273 (f)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Policy is aligned and procedures exist. Staff reports to residents following the report of staff sexual abuse of a resident, the facility shall inform the resident (unless it is determined to be unfounded) when: the staff member is no longer posted in the resident's living unit; the staff member is no longer employed at the facility; the staff member has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility. Following the report of resident sexual abuse of another resident, the facility shall inform the resident when: the alleged abuser is indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility; the alleged abuse is convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility; at the conclusion of the investigation. Staff does provide feedback to residents in this manner on routine issues and no significant incidents have occurred during reporting period where this particular feedback has been needed.

DISCIPLINE

Standard 115.276: Disciplinary sanctions for staff

115.276 (a)

- Are staff subject to disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies? Yes No

115.276 (b)

- Is termination the presumptive disciplinary sanction for staff who have engaged in sexual abuse? Yes No

115.276 (c)

- 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 No

115.276 (d)

- 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 No
- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Company policy states all incidents of resident sexual abuse or sexual harassment shall be investigated, disciplined and referred to local law enforcement. The presumptive disciplinary sanction for staff who have engaged in sexual abuse of a resident is termination.

In the past 12 months, no staff from the facility have been terminated for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies. In the past 12 months, no staff from the facility have been reported to law enforcement or licensing boards following the termination for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies.

Standard 115.277: Corrective action for contractors and volunteers

115.277 (a)

- Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse prohibited from contact with residents? Yes No
- Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse reported to: Law enforcement agencies unless the activity was clearly not criminal? Yes No
- Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse reported to: Relevant licensing bodies? Yes No

115.277 (b)

- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Company policy requires that any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse be reported to law enforcement agency and to relevant licensing bodies. VOASELA takes appropriate remedial measures and considers whether to prohibit further contact with residents in the case of any violation of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies by a contractor or volunteer. It should be noted there is only one volunteer and five contract staff. In the past 12 months, no contractors or volunteers were reported to law enforcement for engaging in sexual abuse of residents at VOLSELA.

Standard 115.278: Interventions and disciplinary sanctions for residents

115.278 (a)

- 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 No

115.278 (b)

- 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 No

115.278 (c)

- 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 No

115.278 (d)

- 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 condition of access to programming and other benefits? Yes No

115.278 (e)

- 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 No

115.278 (f)

- 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 No

115.278 (g)

- 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 No NA

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Policy is compliant and in place, training is in place. Files reviewed and interviews conducted indicated that discipline for residents is infrequent and has been not related to any sexual abuse but to routine residential offenses like: meeting partners and friends rather than reporting to work; failure to maintain sleeping areas in order; etc.

MEDICAL AND MENTAL CARE

Standard 115.282: Access to emergency medical and mental health services

115.282 (a)

- 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 No

115.282 (b)

- 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 No
- Do security staff first responders immediately notify the appropriate medical and mental health practitioners? Yes No

115.282 (c)

- Are resident victims of sexual abuse 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? Yes No

115.282 (d)

- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

All services are in the immediate or nearby community and available whenever needed. Transport is always available.

Standard 115.283: Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers

115.283 (a)

- 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 No

115.283 (b)

- 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 No

115.283 (c)

- Does the facility provide such victims with medical and mental health services consistent with the community level of care? Yes No

115.283 (d)

- Are resident victims of sexually abusive vaginal penetration while incarcerated offered pregnancy tests? (N/A if all-male facility.) Yes No NA

115.283 (e)

- If pregnancy results from the conduct described in paragraph § 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.) Yes No NA

115.283 (f)

- Are resident victims of sexual abuse while incarcerated offered tests for sexually transmitted infections as medically appropriate? Yes No

115.283 (g)

- 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 No

115.283 (h)

- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

This capability is present through the designated community resources, but has not been needed at this point.

DATA COLLECTION AND REVIEW

Standard 115.286: Sexual abuse incident reviews

115.286 (a)

- 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 No

115.286 (b)

- Does such review ordinarily occur within 30 days of the conclusion of the investigation? Yes No

115.286 (c)

- Does the review team include upper-level management officials, with input from line supervisors, investigators, and medical or mental health practitioners? Yes No

115.286 (d)

- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 No
- Does the review team: Assess the adequacy of staffing levels in that area during different shifts? Yes No
- Does the review team: Assess whether monitoring technology should be deployed or augmented to supplement supervision by staff? Yes No
- 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 No

115.286 (e)

- Does the facility implement the recommendations for improvement, or document its reasons for not doing so? Yes No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Policy and process and training are in place but no incidents have occurred.

Standard 115.287: Data collection

115.287 (a)

- 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 No

115.287 (b)

- Does the agency aggregate the incident-based sexual abuse data at least annually? Yes No

115.287 (c)

- 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 No

115.287 (d)

- 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 No

115.287 (e)

- 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.) Yes No NA

115.287 (f)

- 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 No NA

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Data is gathered as required and published annually in the program report.

Standard 115.288: Data review for corrective action

115.288 (a)

- 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 No
- 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 No
- 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 No

115.288 (b)

- 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 No

115.288 (c)

- 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 No

115.288 (d)

- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

PREA Coordinator and Deputy Executive Director review data annually to determine any needed changes and to search for any trends. This review is required in their policy. The program publishes its data on its own web site.

Standard 115.289: Data storage, publication, and destruction

115.289 (a)

- Does the agency ensure that data collected pursuant to § 115.287 are securely retained? Yes No

115.289 (b)

- 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 No

115.289 (c)

- Does the agency remove all personal identifiers before making aggregated sexual abuse data publicly available? Yes No

115.289 (d)

- 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 No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Policy is compliant, records are securely maintained and an annual report published as required.

AUDITING AND CORRECTIVE ACTION

Standard 115.401: Frequency and scope of audits

115.401 (a)

- 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 No

115.401 (b)

- Is this the first year of the current audit cycle? (*Note: a "no" response does not impact overall compliance with this standard.*) Yes No
- 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.) Yes No NA
- 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.) Yes No NA

115.401 (h)

- Did the auditor have access to, and the ability to observe, all areas of the audited facility?
 Yes No

115.401 (i)

- Was the auditor permitted to request and receive copies of any relevant documents (including electronically stored information)? Yes No

115.401 (m)

- Was the auditor permitted to conduct private interviews with inmates, residents, and detainees?
 Yes No

115.401 (n)

- Were residents permitted to send confidential information or correspondence to the auditor in the same manner as if they were communicating with legal counsel? Yes No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

A single community facility in New Orleans, La; their first audit was 2016. All areas were accessible to the auditor and the staff was extremely responsive and helpful in all areas of the audit.

Standard 115.403: Audit contents and findings

115.403 (f)

- The agency has published on its agency website, if it has one, or has otherwise made publicly available, all Final Audit Reports within 90 days of issuance by auditor. The review period is for prior audits completed during the past three years PRECEDING THIS AGENCY AUDIT. In the case of single facility agencies, the auditor shall ensure that the facility's last audit report was

published. 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 that there has never been a Final Audit Report issued.) Yes No NA

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

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| AUDITOR CERTIFICATION |
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I certify that:

- 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, and
- I have not included in the final report any personally identifiable information (PII) about any resident or staff member, except where the names of administrative personnel are specifically requested in the report template.

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June 19, 2019

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² See *PREA Auditor Handbook*, Version 1.0, August 2017; Pages 68-69.

Auditor Signature

Date