

BLUE RIDGE REGIONAL JAIL AUTHORITY

Sexual Violence 2014 Annual Report for Bedford Adult Detention Center

Data included in this report is from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014

Inmates confined in BADC on December 31, 2014 were 70 males and 6 females. During 2014, new admissions to the jail were 1303 male and 523 female. The average daily population at BADC in 2014 was 69 males and 10 females.

Inmate on Inmate Sexual Violence

The categories of inmate on inmate sexual violence are reported separately and are:

Non-consensual acts:

- Contact of any person without his or her consent, or of a person who is unable to consent or refuse; and
- Contact between the penis and the vagina or the penis and the anus including penetration;
 or
- Contact between the mouth and the penis, vagina, or anus; or
- Penetration of the anal or genital opening of another person by hand, finger, or other object.

Abusive Sexual Contacts:

- Contact of any person without consent, or of a person who is unable to consent or refuse;
- Intentional touching, either directly or through the clothing, of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or buttocks of any person, excluding contact incidental to a physical altercation.

The Blue Ridge Regional Jail Authority records all allegations of inmate on inmate sexual violence.

There were zero (0) allegations of inmate on inmate non-consensual acts during this period.

There were zero (0) allegations of inmate on inmate abusive sexual contact during this period.

Staff Sexual Misconduct and Harassment

Staff Sexual Misconduct and Harassment includes any behavior or act of a sexual nature directed toward an inmate by an employee, volunteer, contractor, official visitor, or other agency representative, and includes two categories which are reported separately and defined as follows:

Staff Sexual Misconduct / consensual or non-consensual acts including:

- Intentional touching of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or buttocks with the intent to arouse, or gratify sexual desire; or
- Completed, attempted, threatened, or requested sexual acts; or
- Occurrences of indecent exposure, invasion of privacy, or staff voyeurism for sexual gratification.

Staff Sexual Harassment includes:

- Repeated verbal statements or comments of a sexual nature to an inmate by an employee, volunteer, contractor, official visitor, or other agency representative;
- Demeaning references to gender or derogatory comments about body or clothing; or
- Repeated profane or obscene language or gestures.

The Blue Ridge Regional Jail Authority records all allegations of staff sexual misconduct and sexual harassment.

There were two (2) allegations of staff sexual misconduct during this period.

There were zero (0) allegations of staff sexual harassment during this period.

As stated above, we have had 2 accusations of staff sexual misconduct in 2014. Both of these accusations were by the same inmate on back to back days. These allegations were turned over to special investigators of the Town of Bedford Police Department and they were determined to be unfounded. This result means that after a thorough and objective investigation into both allegations, there was insufficient evidence to make a final determination as to whether or not these events occurred.

During a review by the PREA Committee assembled to discuss our current PREA procedures, it was determined that our current policies and procedures are sufficient in addressing the issue of sexual abuse in our facility. While we had no cases of sexual abuse in 2013, I feel that our PREA policies and training set forth in 2013 greatly enhanced our ability to detect and deter sexual abuse in our facility going forward.

History:

Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013 there were zero (0) allegations of staff sexual misconduct.

Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013 there were zero (0) allegations of staff sexual harassment.

Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013 there were zero (0) allegations of inmate on inmate non-consensual acts.

Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013 there were zero (0) allegations of inmate on inmate abusive sexual contact.