

BLUE RIDGE REGIONAL JAIL AUTHORITY

Sexual Violence 2015 Annual Report for Amherst County Adult Detention Center

Data included in this report is from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015

Inmates confined in ACADC on December 31, 2015 were 300 males and 62 females. During 2015, new admissions to the jail were 1,390 males and 558 females. The average daily population at ACADC in 2015 was 348 males and 67 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; and
- 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 was zero (0) allegations of inmate on inmate non-consensual acts during this period.

There was 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 three (3) allegations of staff sexual misconduct during this period. These allegations were investigated and determined to be unfounded. This means that after a thorough and objective investigation these allegations were determined not to have occurred. There were zero (0) allegations of staff sexual harassment during this period.

A review was conducted by the PREA incident review committee assembled to discuss our current PREA procedures, staffing plan, incident review, video monitoring capabilities, available resources, and previous allegations. The committee determined that our current policies and procedures are sufficient in addressing the issue of sexual abuse in our facility.

History:

Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2014 there was one (1) allegations of inmate on inmate non-consensual acts.

Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2014 there were two (2) allegations of inmate on inmate abusive sexual contact.

Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2014 there was one (1) allegation of staff sexual misconduct.

Between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2014 there were zero (0) allegations of staff sexual harassment.