

PREA Facility Audit Report: Final

Name of Facility: Lincoln Correctional Center

Facility Type: Prison / Jail

Date Interim Report Submitted: NA

Date Final Report Submitted: 04/28/2023

Auditor Certification	
The contents of this report are accurate to the best of my knowledge.	<input type="checkbox"/>
No conflict of interest exists with respect to my ability to conduct an audit of the agency under review.	<input type="checkbox"/>
I have not included in the final report any personally identifiable information (PII) about any inmate/resident/detainee or staff member, except where the names of administrative personnel are specifically requested in the report template.	<input type="checkbox"/>
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AUDITOR INFORMATION	
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Start Date of On-Site Audit:	03/27/2023
End Date of On-Site Audit:	03/28/2023

FACILITY INFORMATION	
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Facility Characteristics	
Designed facility capacity:	228
Current population of facility:	228
Average daily population for the past 12 months:	218
Has the facility been over capacity at any point in the past 12 months?	No
Which population(s) does the facility hold?	Males
Age range of population:	18 to 99
Facility security levels/inmate custody levels:	Minimum
Does the facility hold youthful inmates?	No
Number of staff currently employed at the facility who may have contact with inmates:	48
Number of individual contractors who have contact with inmates, currently authorized to enter the facility:	0
Number of volunteers who have contact with inmates, currently authorized to enter the facility:	120

AGENCY INFORMATION	
Name of agency:	North Carolina Department of Adult Correction
Governing authority or parent agency (if applicable):	
Physical Address:	214 West Jones Street , Raleigh , North Carolina - 27603
Mailing Address:	
Telephone number:	

Agency Chief Executive Officer Information:	
Name:	
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Agency-Wide PREA Coordinator Information			
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SUMMARY OF AUDIT FINDINGS	
<p>The OAS automatically populates the number and list of Standards exceeded, the number of Standards met, and the number and list of Standards not met.</p> <p>Auditor Note: In general, no standards should be found to be "Not Applicable" or "NA." A compliance determination must be made for each standard. In rare instances where an auditor determines that a standard is not applicable, the auditor should select "Meets Standard" and include a comprehensive discussion as to why the standard is not applicable to the facility being audited.</p>	
Number of standards exceeded:	
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 115.42 - Use of screening information
Number of standards met:	
44	
Number of standards not met:	
0	

POST-AUDIT REPORTING INFORMATION

GENERAL AUDIT INFORMATION

On-site Audit Dates

1. Start date of the onsite portion of the audit:	2023-03-27
2. End date of the onsite portion of the audit:	2023-03-28

Outreach

10. Did you attempt to communicate with community-based organization(s) or victim advocates who provide services to this facility and/or who may have insight into relevant conditions in the facility?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
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<p>a. Identify the community-based organization(s) or victim advocates with whom you communicated:</p>	<p>The facility provided an email communication from Atrium Health’s Assistant Vice President Nursing, stating, “Atrium Health Lincoln has a SANE Nurse program. We have a nurse on site or on call for both adult and pediatric SANE cases. We do not have a SAFE program.” On 3.23.2023 at 3:10 pm MST, this Auditor phoned Atrium Health at 980.212.1184. A message was left on the Assistant Vice President’s voicemail requesting verification the hospital would see residents from this facility any time those services may be needed.</p> <p>During the tour and informal inmate interviews, an inmate was asked to demonstrate how he could make contact the advocacy agency via dorm payphones. Through this demonstration the inmate was able to demonstrate directions could be followed per the directions posted near inmate phones. During the call to the advocate a voice mail stated the name of the agency and requested the inmate leave his name, facility information and the agency would return the call.</p>
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AUDITED FACILITY INFORMATION

<p>14. Designated facility capacity:</p>	<p>228</p>
<p>15. Average daily population for the past 12 months:</p>	<p>218</p>
<p>16. Number of inmate/resident/detainee housing units:</p>	<p>8</p>
<p>17. Does the facility ever hold youthful inmates or youthful/juvenile detainees?</p>	<p> <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Not Applicable for the facility type audited (i.e., Community Confinement Facility or Juvenile Facility) </p>

Audited Facility Population Characteristics on Day One of the Onsite Portion of the Audit

Inmates/Residents/Detainees Population Characteristics on Day One of the Onsite Portion of the Audit

36. Enter the total number of inmates/residents/detainees in the facility as of the first day of onsite portion of the audit:	226
38. Enter the total number of inmates/residents/detainees with a physical disability in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
39. Enter the total number of inmates/residents/detainees with a cognitive or functional disability (including intellectual disability, psychiatric disability, or speech disability) in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
40. Enter the total number of inmates/residents/detainees who are Blind or have low vision (visually impaired) in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0
41. Enter the total number of inmates/residents/detainees who are Deaf or hard-of-hearing in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	3
42. Enter the total number of inmates/residents/detainees who are Limited English Proficient (LEP) in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0

<p>43. Enter the total number of inmates/residents/detainees who identify as lesbian, gay, or bisexual in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:</p>	<p>0</p>
<p>44. Enter the total number of inmates/residents/detainees who identify as transgender or intersex in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:</p>	<p>0</p>
<p>45. Enter the total number of inmates/residents/detainees who reported sexual abuse in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>46. Enter the total number of inmates/residents/detainees who disclosed prior sexual victimization during risk screening in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>47. Enter the total number of inmates/residents/detainees who were ever placed in segregated housing/isolation for risk of sexual victimization in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:</p>	<p>0</p>
<p>48. Provide any additional comments regarding the population characteristics of inmates/residents/detainees in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit (e.g., groups not tracked, issues with identifying certain populations):</p>	<p>No text provided.</p>
<p>Staff, Volunteers, and Contractors Population Characteristics on Day One of the Onsite Portion of the Audit</p>	
<p>49. Enter the total number of STAFF, including both full- and part-time staff, employed by the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:</p>	<p>59</p>

<p>50. Enter the total number of VOLUNTEERS assigned to the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit who have contact with inmates/residents/detainees:</p>	<p>0</p>
<p>51. Enter the total number of CONTRACTORS assigned to the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit who have contact with inmates/residents/detainees:</p>	<p>0</p>
<p>52. Provide any additional comments regarding the population characteristics of staff, volunteers, and contractors who were in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:</p>	<p>No text provided.</p>

INTERVIEWS

Inmate/Resident/Detainee Interviews

Random Inmate/Resident/Detainee Interviews

<p>53. Enter the total number of RANDOM INMATES/RESIDENTS/DETAINEES who were interviewed:</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>54. Select which characteristics you considered when you selected RANDOM INMATE/RESIDENT/DETAINEE interviewees: (select all that apply)</p>	<p> <input type="checkbox"/> Age <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Race <input type="checkbox"/> Ethnicity (e.g., Hispanic, Non-Hispanic) <input type="checkbox"/> Length of time in the facility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing assignment <input type="checkbox"/> Gender <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> None </p>

<p>55. How did you ensure your sample of RANDOM INMATE/RESIDENT/DETAINEE interviewees was geographically diverse?</p>	<p>Four days before the onsite review the Auditor requested a roster of targeted and random inmates. Once targeted inmates were chosen by the Auditor, random inmates were randomly selected by race and housing unit to ensure an inmate from each ethnicity and each housing units were interviewed..</p>
<p>56. Were you able to conduct the minimum number of random inmate/resident/detainee interviews?</p>	<p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>
<p>57. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing random inmates/residents/detainees (e.g., any populations you oversampled, barriers to completing interviews, barriers to ensuring representation):</p>	<p>No text provided.</p>
<p>Targeted Inmate/Resident/Detainee Interviews</p>	
<p>58. Enter the total number of TARGETED INMATES/RESIDENTS/DETAINEES who were interviewed:</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>As stated in the PREA Auditor Handbook, the breakdown of targeted interviews is intended to guide auditors in interviewing the appropriate cross-section of inmates/residents/detainees who are the most vulnerable to sexual abuse and sexual harassment. When completing questions regarding targeted inmate/resident/detainee interviews below, remember that an interview with one inmate/resident/detainee may satisfy multiple targeted interview requirements. These questions are asking about the number of interviews conducted using the targeted inmate/resident/detainee protocols. For example, if an auditor interviews an inmate who has a physical disability, is being held in segregated housing due to risk of sexual victimization, and disclosed prior sexual victimization, that interview would be included in the totals for each of those questions. Therefore, in most cases, the sum of all the following responses to the targeted inmate/resident/detainee interview categories will exceed the total number of targeted inmates/residents/detainees who were interviewed. If a particular targeted population is not applicable in the audited facility, enter "0".</p>	
<p>60. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/detainees with a physical disability using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:</p>	<p>0</p>

<p>a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/detainees in this category:</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.</p>
<p>b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).</p>	<p>After a tour, informal and formal interviews with staff and inmates and inmate file review, this category of inmate did not appear to be at the facility during the onsite review.</p>
<p>61. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/detainees with a cognitive or functional disability (including intellectual disability, psychiatric disability, or speech disability) using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:</p>	<p>0</p>
<p>a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/detainees in this category:</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.</p>
<p>b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).</p>	<p>After a tour, informal and formal interviews with staff and inmates and inmate file review, this category of inmate did not appear to be at the facility during the onsite review.</p>

<p>62. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/detainees who are Blind or have low vision (i.e., visually impaired) using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:</p>	<p>0</p>
<p>a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/detainees in this category:</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.</p>
<p>b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).</p>	<p>After a tour, informal and formal interviews with staff and inmates and inmate file review, this category of inmate did not appear to be at the facility during the onsite review.</p>
<p>63. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/detainees who are Deaf or hard-of-hearing using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>64. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/detainees who are Limited English Proficient (LEP) using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:</p>	<p>0</p>
<p>a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/detainees in this category:</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.</p>

<p>b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).</p>	<p>After a tour, informal and formal interviews with staff and inmates and inmate file review, this category of inmate did not appear to be at the facility during the onsite review.</p>
<p>65. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/detainees who identify as lesbian, gay, or bisexual using the "Transgender and Intersex Inmates; Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Inmates" protocol:</p>	<p>0</p>
<p>a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/detainees in this category:</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.</p>
<p>b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).</p>	<p>After a tour, informal and formal interviews with staff and inmates and inmate file review, this category of inmate did not appear to be at the facility during the onsite review.</p>
<p>66. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/detainees who identify as transgender or intersex using the "Transgender and Intersex Inmates; Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Inmates" protocol:</p>	<p>0</p>
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<p>b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).</p>	<p>After a tour, informal and formal interviews with staff and inmates and inmate file review, this category of inmate did not appear to be at the facility during the onsite review.</p>
<p>67. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/detainees who reported sexual abuse in this facility using the "Inmates who Reported a Sexual Abuse" protocol:</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>68. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/detainees who disclosed prior sexual victimization during risk screening using the "Inmates who Disclosed Sexual Victimization during Risk Screening" protocol:</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>69. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/detainees who are or were ever placed in segregated housing/isolation for risk of sexual victimization using the "Inmates Placed in Segregated Housing (for Risk of Sexual Victimization/Who Allege to have Suffered Sexual Abuse)" protocol:</p>	<p>0</p>
<p>a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/detainees in this category:</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.</p>

<p>b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).</p>	<p>After a tour, informal and formal interviews with staff and inmates and inmate file review, this category of inmate did not appear to be at the facility during the onsite review.</p>
<p>70. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing targeted inmates/residents/detainees (e.g., any populations you oversampled, barriers to completing interviews):</p>	<p>No text provided.</p>

Staff, Volunteer, and Contractor Interviews

Random Staff Interviews

<p>71. Enter the total number of RANDOM STAFF who were interviewed:</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>72. Select which characteristics you considered when you selected RANDOM STAFF interviewees: (select all that apply)</p>	<p> <input type="checkbox"/> Length of tenure in the facility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shift assignment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Work assignment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rank (or equivalent) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (e.g., gender, race, ethnicity, languages spoken) <input type="checkbox"/> None </p>
<p>73. Were you able to conduct the minimum number of RANDOM STAFF interviews?</p>	<p> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No </p>
<p>74. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing random staff (e.g., any populations you oversampled, barriers to completing interviews, barriers to ensuring representation):</p>	<p>Six staff members from each of the 12-hour shifts were randomly selected for interviews.</p>

Specialized Staff, Volunteers, and Contractor Interviews

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

75. Enter the total number of staff in a SPECIALIZED STAFF role who were interviewed (excluding volunteers and contractors):	14
76. Were you able to interview the Agency Head?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
77. Were you able to interview the Warden/Facility Director/Superintendent or their designee?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
78. Were you able to interview the PREA Coordinator?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
79. Were you able to interview the PREA Compliance Manager?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> NA (NA if the agency is a single facility agency or is otherwise not required to have a PREA Compliance Manager per the Standards)

80. Select which SPECIALIZED STAFF roles were interviewed as part of this audit from the list below: (select all that apply)

- Agency contract administrator
- Intermediate or higher-level facility staff responsible for conducting and documenting unannounced rounds to identify and deter staff sexual abuse and sexual harassment
- Line staff who supervise youthful inmates (if applicable)
- Education and program staff who work with youthful inmates (if applicable)
- Medical staff
- Mental health staff
- Non-medical staff involved in cross-gender strip or visual searches
- Administrative (human resources) staff
- Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner (SAFE) or Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) staff
- Investigative staff responsible for conducting administrative investigations
- Investigative staff responsible for conducting criminal investigations
- Staff who perform screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness
- Staff who supervise inmates in segregated housing/residents in isolation
- Staff on the sexual abuse incident review team
- Designated staff member charged with monitoring retaliation
- First responders, both security and non-security staff

	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Intake staff <input type="checkbox"/> Other
81. Did you interview VOLUNTEERS who may have contact with inmates/residents/detainees in this facility?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
a. Enter the total number of VOLUNTEERS who were interviewed:	1
b. Select which specialized VOLUNTEER role(s) were interviewed as part of this audit from the list below: (select all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> Education/programming <input type="checkbox"/> Medical/dental <input type="checkbox"/> Mental health/counseling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Other
82. Did you interview CONTRACTORS who may have contact with inmates/residents/detainees in this facility?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
83. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing specialized staff.	No text provided.

SITE REVIEW AND DOCUMENTATION SAMPLING

Site Review

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

84. Did you have access to all areas of the facility?

Yes

No

Was the site review an active, inquiring process that included the following:

85. Observations of all facility practices in accordance with the site review component of the audit instrument (e.g., signage, supervision practices, cross-gender viewing and searches)?

Yes

No

86. Tests of all critical functions in the facility in accordance with the site review component of the audit instrument (e.g., risk screening process, access to outside emotional support services, interpretation services)?

Yes

No

87. Informal conversations with inmates/residents/detainees during the site review (encouraged, not required)?

Yes

No

<p>88. Informal conversations with staff during the site review (encouraged, not required)?</p>	<p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>
<p>89. Provide any additional comments regarding the site review (e.g., access to areas in the facility, observations, tests of critical functions, or informal conversations).</p>	<p>No text provided.</p>

Documentation Sampling

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

<p>90. In addition to the proof documentation selected by the agency or facility and provided to you, did you also conduct an auditor-selected sampling of documentation?</p>	<p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>
<p>91. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting additional documentation (e.g., any documentation you oversampled, barriers to selecting additional documentation, etc.).</p>	<p>No text provided.</p>

SEXUAL ABUSE AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT ALLEGATIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS IN THIS FACILITY

Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Allegations and Investigations Overview

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

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

	# of sexual abuse allegations	# of criminal investigations	# of administrative investigations	# of allegations that had both criminal and administrative investigations
Inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse	1	0	1	0
Staff-on-inmate sexual abuse	1	0	1	0
Total	2	0	2	0

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

	# of sexual harassment allegations	# of criminal investigations	# of administrative investigations	# of allegations that had both criminal and administrative investigations
Inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment	2	0	2	0
Staff-on-inmate sexual harassment	1	0	1	0
Total	3	0	3	0

Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Investigation Outcomes

Sexual Abuse Investigation Outcomes

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

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

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

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

	Ongoing	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Substantiated
Inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse	2	1	1	0
Staff-on-inmate sexual abuse	1	0	0	1
Total	3	1	1	1

Sexual Harassment Investigation Outcomes

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

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

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

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

	Ongoing	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Substantiated
Inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment	2	1	1	0
Staff-on-inmate sexual harassment	2	1	0	1
Total	4	2	1	1

Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Investigation Files Selected for Review

Sexual Abuse Investigation Files Selected for Review

98. Enter the total number of SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files reviewed/sampled:	2
99. Did your selection of SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include a cross-section of criminal and/or administrative investigations by findings/outcomes?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> NA (NA if you were unable to review any sexual abuse investigation files)

Inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files

100. Enter the total number of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files reviewed/sampled:	1
101. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include criminal investigations?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files)
102. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include administrative investigations?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files)

Staff-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files

103. Enter the total number of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files reviewed/sampled:	1
104. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include criminal investigations?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files)
105. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include administrative investigations?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files)

Sexual Harassment Investigation Files Selected for Review

106. Enter the total number of SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files reviewed/sampled:	1
107. Did your selection of SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include a cross-section of criminal and/or administrative investigations by findings/outcomes?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> NA (NA if you were unable to review any sexual harassment investigation files)

Inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files

108. Enter the total number of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files reviewed/sampled:	1
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<p>109. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT files include criminal investigations?</p>	<p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)</p>
<p>110. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include administrative investigations?</p>	<p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)</p>
<p>Staff-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files</p>	
<p>111. Enter the total number of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files reviewed/sampled:</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>112. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include criminal investigations?</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> No</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)</p>
<p>113. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include administrative investigations?</p>	<p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)</p>

<p>114. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting and reviewing sexual abuse and sexual harassment investigation files.</p>	<p>One investigation was non-PREA after an investigation was conducted.</p>
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SUPPORT STAFF INFORMATION

DOJ-certified PREA Auditors Support Staff

<p>115. Did you receive assistance from any DOJ-CERTIFIED PREA AUDITORS at any point during this audit? REMEMBER: the audit includes all activities from the pre-onsite through the post-onsite phases to the submission of the final report. Make sure you respond accordingly.</p>	<p> <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No </p>
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Non-certified Support Staff

<p>116. Did you receive assistance from any NON-CERTIFIED SUPPORT STAFF at any point during this audit? REMEMBER: the audit includes all activities from the pre-onsite through the post-onsite phases to the submission of the final report. Make sure you respond accordingly.</p>	<p> <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No </p>
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AUDITING ARRANGEMENTS AND COMPENSATION

<p>121. Who paid you to conduct this audit?</p>	<p> <input checked="" type="radio"/> The audited facility or its parent agency <input type="radio"/> My state/territory or county government employer (if you audit as part of a consortium or circular auditing arrangement, select this option) <input type="radio"/> A third-party auditing entity (e.g., accreditation body, consulting firm) <input type="radio"/> Other </p>
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Standards

Auditor Overall Determination Definitions

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

Auditor Discussion Instructions

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

115.11	Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.20223. NC Department of Adult Correction Organization Chart, dated 1.23.20234. Lincoln Correctional Center Organization Chart, dated 9.15.2022 <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Random Inmates2. Targeted Inmates3. Correctional Officers4. Supervisory staff5. Correctional Program Supervisor / PREA Compliance Manager6. Facility Compliance Specialist <p>Interviews with inmates and staff and review of inmate and personnel files, demonstrated this facility interweaves requirements for this standard in their daily protocols. Both inmates and staff could speak to facility PREA practices and protocols being used as is described in the agency's Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy. Inmates also stated they have access to tablets which forces them to read PREA information before they have access to the tablet applications.</p> <p>Site Review Observation:</p> <p>During the tour of the facility, the Auditor witnessed standardized bulletin boards, throughout the facility, in multiple locations, consisting of current agency and facility Audit Notices printed on pink and purple colored paper, PREA Zero-Tolerance, Break the Silence, Prison Rape Elimination Act, Help Prevent Prison Sexual Violence and Red Flag flyers with internal and external reporting information for inmates.</p>

The facility has seven dorms; A-G. Dorms have six to 18 bunkbed each. Each dorm, except 'side pocket' dorms have bathrooms with three toilet stalls surrounded by four walls each, two shower stalls with two to four shower heads each, most with shower curtains.

During the tour, multiple informal interviews were conducted with inmates and staff. Inmates stated they were aware of PREA and how to report through information posted near telephones. Staff stated they had received training on PREA, understood they would separate inmates if they suspected sexual abuse and report any information received regarding allegations of sexual harassment or sexual abuse to the Officer in Charge, regardless of how allegations were received.

Although the facility has camera in highly trafficked areas to include day room, dorms, hallways, visitation and programming buildings, staff interactive supervision is highly relied upon. Cameras were reviewed in the Warden's office as this facility does not house a Control Center. All cameras were operable and the facility maintenance worker repairs and or replaces cameras the day a work order is requested.

During the tour, the following recommendations were provided to enhance privacy and or ensure incidents did not occur.

1. Lock staff breakroom located in an area accessible by inmates, when not in use. Post audit the audit has placed a 'keep locked' sign on the door and the door now remains locked when not in use.
2. Ensure shower curtains are placed on all shower stalls. One shower observed without a shower curtain. Post audit shower curtains were ordered.
3. Lock door to back porch in kitchen. Post audit the team decided to remove the door and place a gate in place of the door.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency Safe Prisons/PREA Plan mandates zero-tolerance toward all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in the facility it operates and those directly under contract.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 5, section .3404, states, "The North Carolina Department of Public Safety is committed to a standard of zero-tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment toward offenders, either by staff, contractors, volunteers, or by offenders (5-ACI-3D-14). Therefore, it is the policy of Prisons to provide a safe, humane and appropriately secure environment, free from the threat of sexual abuse and sexual

harassment for all offenders, by maintaining a program of prevention, detection, response, investigation, prosecution and tracking.”

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency employs or designates an upper-level, agency-wide PREA Coordinator. The position of the PREA Coordinator in the agency’s organizational structure is the PREA Director.

The facility provided a NC Department of Adult Correction Organization Chart. Page 2 of the organization chart demonstrates the PREA Director is in the agency organizational chart and reports directly to the Professional Standards Deputy Secretary.

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility has designated a PREA Compliance manager. The PREA Compliance Manager has sufficient time and authority to coordinate the facility's efforts to comply with the PREA standards.

The facility provided a Lincoln Correctional Center Organization Chart demonstrating that the PREA Compliance Manager / Program Supervisor are shown in the facility hierarchy and reports directly to the Program Director.

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.12	<p>Contracting with other entities for the confinement of inmates</p> <p>Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard</p> <p>Auditor Discussion</p> <p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ 2. Memorandum of Agreement, Center for Community Transitions, dated 3.2.2022 <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PREA Director / Head of Agency <p>During the pre-audit phase, the PREA Director conveyed the agency did have one privatized contract. Such contracts do contain language mandating each private provider comply with PREA standards. In addition, unionized staff are mandated to comply with PREA standards and disciplinary action would swiftly take place should noncompliance exist.</p> <p>(a-b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency does contract with one private agency for confinement services of their inmates.</p> <p>The facility provided a Memorandum of Agreement between the State of North Carolina and the Center for Community Transitions. Page 10, section PREA, contains language demonstrating the facility is required to comply with the Prison Rape Elimination Standards.</p> <p>Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.</p>
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115.13 Supervision and monitoring

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Lincoln Correctional Center, LCC-PO, Section .1000, Security Post Assignment, dated 4.26.2022
3. NCDPS Lincoln Correctional Center, LCC-PO, Section 01, dated 4.27.2022
4. NCDPS PREA Prevention Planning, Policy DPS-PREA-100, dated 10.11.2021
5. Division of Adult Correction - Prison Post Chart, dated 1.19.2022
6. NCDPS Staffing Plan Analysis - Lincoln Correctional Center, dated 2021 and 2022
7. Lincoln Correctional Center Shift Sergeant (OIC) Narratives

Interviews:

1. Random Inmates
2. Targeted Inmates
3. Correctional Officers
4. Sergeant I
5. Correctional Program Supervisor / PREA Compliance Manager
6. Facility Compliance Specialist
7. Warden
8. PREA Director / Head of Agency

Interviews with staff and inmates demonstrated Sergeants conduct unannounced rounds, each day, often occurring multiple times per day.

The interview with the Sergeant I explained he conducts supervisor rounds up to three times per day, without notification to security staff by taking different routes through the facility. The Sergeant stated he spends little time in his office and is on the floor a large percentage of his shifts.

The interview with the PREA Director demonstrated the Regional Office is responsible for constructing and complying with facility staffing plans.

Site review observation:

The Sergeant was able to demonstrate he documents rounds at Officer Desks on A, B, C and D Officer desks and at the podiums of E and F dorms.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency requires the facility to develop, document and make its best efforts to comply on a regular basis with a staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing, and, where applicable, video monitoring, to protect inmates against abuse. Since August 20, 2012, or last PREA audit, whichever is later, the average daily number of inmates is 218. The average daily number of inmates on which the staffing plan was predicated is 218.

NCDPS Lincoln Correctional Center, Section .1000, Security Post Assignment, page 1-2, section .0002 General (1), states, "NCDPS-Prisons shall ensure that each facility it operates shall develop, document, and make its best efforts to comply on a regular basis with a staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing, and, where applicable, video monitoring, to protect offenders against sexual abuse and sexual harassment. In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, facilities shall take into consideration:

(A) Generally accepted correctional practices;

(B) Any judicial findings of inadequacy;

(C) Any findings of inadequacy from Federal investigative agencies;

(D) Any findings of inadequacy from internal or external oversight bodies;

(E) All components of the facility's physical plant (including "blind-spots" or areas where staff or offenders may be isolated);

(F) The composition of the offender population;

(G) The number and placement of supervisory staff;

(H) Institutional programs occurring on a particular shift;

(I) Any applicable State or local laws, regulations, or standards;

(J) The prevalence of substantiated and unsubstantiated incidents of sexual abuse; and

(K) Any other relevant factors. "

The facility provided a Division of Adult Correction - Prison Post Chart. This chart demonstrates:

- Designated staffing classification positions for each Unit,
- Shift hours, 1st & 2nd
- Days covered
- Pull post level
- Total posts
- Relief factors
- Total positions
- Comments

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states each time the staffing plan is not complied with, the facility documents and justifies deviations. The facility did not have deviations from the required ratios of their staffing plan.

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states at least once every year the facility/agency, in collaboration with the PREA coordinator, reviews the staffing plan to whether adjustments are needed in (a) the staffing, (b) the deployment of monitoring technology, or (c) the allocation of agency/facility resources to commit to the staffing plan to ensure compliance with the staffing plan.

The facility provided a 115.13 Staffing Plan Analysis, Lincoln Correctional Center. The analysis demonstrates the following plan and review areas:

- NCDPS PREA Report: Staffing Analysis
- General Facility Information
 - o Mission
 - o Offender Population and Special Vulnerabilities
 - o Facility Program and Services
 - o Current Staffing Level
- § Facility management

§ Physical Plant Considerations

§ Housing

§ Special Populations

§ Programs

§ Medical/Mental Health

§ Judicial Findings of Inadequacy

- PREA

- o Prevalence of Substantiated and Unsubstantiated Incidents of Sexual Abuse and Harassment

- Previous Audit Findings

- Additional Information and/or Recommendations

- Conclusion

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states facility requires that intermediate level or higher-level staff conduct unannounced rounds to identify and deter staff sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

NCDPS Lincoln Correctional Center, LCC-PO, Section 01, page 4, section F., states, "The OIC will make unannounced random rounds of assigned posts to ensure staff are alert and functioning in accordance with established policies and procedures. These inspections will be made a minimum of once per shift and documented in the OIC shift narrative."

NCDPS PREA Prevention Planning, Policy DPS-PREA-100, page 9, section 5. ii, states, "Prohibit employees from alerting one another that supervisory rounds are occurring, unless such announcement is related to the legitimate operational functions of the facility."

The facility provided Shift Sergeant (OIC) Narratives / unannounced rounds for shifts 1A, 2A, 2B, and 1B. Page two of each narrative documents the supervisor name and area where unannounced rounds were completed.

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.14	Youthful inmates
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Correctional Program Supervisor / PREA Compliance Manager2. Warden <p>The PAQ provided by the facility stated this facility did not house youthful inmates. Through interviews with the PREA Compliance Manager and Warden demonstrated youthful inmates were not housed at this facility.</p> <p>Site Observation:</p> <p>The facility tour and formal and informal interviews with offenders and staff demonstrated youthful inmates were not housed at the facility.</p> <p>(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility prohibits placing youthful inmates in a housing unit in which a youthful inmate will have sight, sound, or physical contact with any adult inmate through use of a shared dayroom or other common space, shower area, or sleeping quarters. The facility does not house youthful offenders.</p> <p>Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.</p>

115.15	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ 2. NCDPS PREA Prevention Planning, Policy Number: DPS-PREA-100, dated 10.11.2021 3. NCDPS Cross Gender Announcement & Acknowledgment, dated 4.19.2013 4. NCDPS Safe Search Practices Outline, dated 7.1.2022 5. NCDPS Safe Search Practices Training Roster <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Random Inmates 2. Targeted Inmates 3. Correctional Officers <p>Interviews with inmates demonstrated strip searches were conducted by same sex staff and search procedures were conducted respectfully. The facility did not have any transgender inmates during the onsite review.</p> <p>Interviews with staff demonstrated cross gender searches had been trained and female staff conducted pat searches of male inmates. Each staff interviewed stated they would not search a transgender to learn the sex of the inmate.</p> <p>Site Review Observation:</p> <p>During the tour the intake area was observed and search areas were found to take place behind half walls in closed room at the back of the visitation room. There were four booths where inmate to staff ratio is 1:1 typically with four inmates and four staff at one time depending on visits and or intakes.</p> <p>Although the search booths afford discretion, a recommendation was provided to lengthen search booth to allow for further privacy. Post audit the Warden has considered new search walls and has placed an order provide taller walls in the</p>

search area.

(a) Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility does not conduct cross-gender strip or cross-gender visual body cavity searches of their Inmates. In the past 12 months zero cross-gender strip or cross-gender visual body cavity searches of offenders.

NCDPS PREA Prevention Planning, Policy Number: DPS-PREA-100, page 9, section B. a., states, "Each ACJJ facility shall limit cross-gender viewing and searches by: a) Not conducting cross-gender strip searches or cross-gender visual body cavity searches (meaning a search of the anal or genital opening) except in exigent circumstances or when performed by medical practitioners."

The facility provided a NCDPS Cross Gender Announcement & Acknowledgment. This acknowledgment states, "The limits to cross gender viewing and searches by facilities include the following:

1. Shall not conduct cross-gender strip searches or cross-gender visual body cavity searches (meaning a search of the anal or genital opening) except in exigent circumstances or when performed by medical practitioners.
2. Shall not permit cross-gender pat-down searches of female persons in confinements, absent exigent circumstances. Facilities shall not restrict female persons in confinements' access to regularly available programming or other out-of-cell opportunities in order to comply with this provision.
3. Shall document all cross-gender strip searches and cross-gender visual body cavity searches, and shall document all cross-gender pat-down searches of female persons in confinements.
4. Shall implement policies and procedures that enable persons in confinements 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. Such policies and procedures shall require staff of the opposite gender to announce their presence when entering a housing unit.
5. Shall not search or physically examine a transgender or intersex persons in confinement or under supervision for the sole purpose of determining the person's genital status. If the person's genital status is unknown, it may be determined during conversations with the person's, 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.

6. Shall conduct cross-gender pat-down searches, and searches of transgender and intersex persons in confinements, in a professional and respectful manner, and in the least intrusive manner possible, consistent with security needs.

I acknowledge that I have been oriented and understand the limitations to cross gender viewing and searches under the standards for Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003, and Division policy.”

The acknowledgment provides the employee and witness printed names, signatures and date form completed.

(b) Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states this standard is not applicable as females are not housed at the Lincoln Correctional Institution.

(c) Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility policy requires that all cross-gender strip searches, cross-gender visual body cavity searches, and cross-gender pat-down searches be documented and justified.

NCDPS PREA Prevention Planning, Policy Number: DPS-PREA-100, page 9, section B. c., states, “Documenting all cross-gender strip searches and cross-gender visual body cavity searches, and documenting all cross-gender pat-down searches of female offenders, residents, and safekeepers.”

(d) Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility has implemented policies and procedures that enable Inmates to shower, perform bodily functions, and change clothing without non-medical staff of the opposite gender viewing their breasts, buttocks, or genitalia, except in exigent circumstances or when such viewing is incidental to routine cell checks (this includes viewing via video camera). Policies and procedures require staff of the opposite gender to announce their presence when entering an inmate housing unit.

NCDPS PREA Prevention Planning, Policy Number: DPS-PREA-100, page 9, section B. d., states, “Implementing policies and procedures that enable offenders, residents, and safekeepers to shower, perform bodily functions, and change clothing without nonmedical employees of the opposite gender viewing their breasts, buttocks, or

genitalia, except in exigent circumstances or when such viewing is incidental to routine cell checks. Such policies and procedures shall require employees of the opposite gender to announce their presence when entering an offender, resident, and safekeeper housing unit.”

(e) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility has a policy prohibiting staff from searching or physically examining a transgender or intersex Inmate for the sole purpose of determining the Inmate’s genital status. Such searches did not occur in the past 12 months.

NCDPS PREA Prevention Planning, Policy Number: DPS-PREA-100, page 9-10, section B. e., states, “Prohibiting searching or physically examining transgender or intersex offenders, residents, and safekeepers for the sole purpose of determining their genital status. If the offender, resident, or safekeeper’s genital status is unknown, it may be determined during conversations with them, 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.”

(f) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states 100% of security staff at each facility receive training on conducting cross-gender pat-down searches and searches of transgender and intersex Inmates in a professional and respectful manner.

NCDPS PREA Prevention Planning, Policy Number: DPS-PREA-100, page 10, section B. f., states, “Training applicable employees in how to conduct cross-gender pat-down searches, and searches of transgender and intersex offenders, residents, or safekeepers, in a professional and respectful manner, and in the least intrusive manner possible, consistent with security needs.”

The facility provided NCDPS Safe Search Practices Outline. The training objectives include the following:

- Define safe search practices as it relates to prison operations.
- Identify six (6) types of operational searches conducted by officers to control contraband.
- Identify the attitude an officer should have when inspecting for contraband.
- Identify the three (3) types of individual searches.
- Identify the five (5) rules to follow when conducting a body search.

- State the three (3) areas on a person that are common places to hide contraband.
- Identify things to avoid while conducting a routine body search.
- After instructor demonstration, trainees will conduct a routine body search.
- Describe the proper techniques for conducting a complete body search.
- State who is authorized to conduct body cavity searches.
- Describe the proper techniques for conducting a building and living quarters search.
- Describe the techniques used in the care of offender property.
- State the final action to be taken after the completion of a search.
- List proper control of evidence.
- State how correctional staff can control the flow of contraband inside the facility.

The facility provided a NCDPS Safe Search Practices Training Roster. This completed trainer roster documents 28 staff have completed training. The roster documents:

- Training topic trained
- Transcript Status
- User Id / User
- Manager
- Registration Date
- Completion Date
- Status

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.16	Inmates with disabilities and inmates who are limited English proficient
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ 2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022 3. NCDPS PREA Prevention Planning, Policy Number: DPS-PREA-100, dated 10.11.2021 4. NCDPS Reporting – Help Prevent Prison Sexual Violence Flyer, in English and Spanish, dated 1.24.2022 5. Language Resource Center Contact Instruction Sheet, not dated <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Targeted Inmates 2. Correctional Case Managers <p>Interviews with three hard of hearing inmates, each understood PREA, were provided the facility PREA orientation packet, which was read to them. Each inmate attested to being trained on PREA within 72 hours of intake; however, most attested to receiving information at intake.</p> <p>Interviews with Correctional Case Managers demonstrated orientation packet information was read to and reviewed with inmates during the orientation process to ensure each understood the information they had received, typically on the day of intake.</p> <p>Site Review Observation:</p> <p>Standardized bulletin boards were witnessed throughout the facility. Each Zero Tolerance posting was found in English and Spanish.</p> <p>(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has established</p>

procedures to provide disabled Inmates equal opportunities to be provided with and learn about the agency's efforts to prevent, detect and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 10, section (d) Offender Education, 1-2, state, "

1. "RECEPTION: All offenders shall receive, during reception, information explaining the agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment, how to report incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, prevention/intervention, self-protection, treatment, and counseling."

2. INTAKE: All offenders shall receive comprehensive education about sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Such education shall be completed within 30 days of intake and upon transfer to a different facility.

(A) Comprehensive education shall include:

(i) Offenders' rights to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment;

(ii) Offenders' rights to be free from retaliation for reporting incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; and

(iii) Policies and procedures for responding to incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

(iv) Methods available to offenders for reporting incidents of sexual abuse or sexual harassment internally and to an external agency or entity. (B) Education for Offenders shall be offered by staff that have completed the PREA Train the Trainer Offender Education course.

3. TRANSFER: All offenders shall receive education about sexual abuse and sexual harassment upon transfer to a different facility.

(A) Education shall be completed utilizing the Offender FACTSHEET OPA-T101 Facilitator Talking Points.

(B) Each offender shall receive a copy of the PREA Brochure.

(C) Each offender will sign the Orientation Form and placed in his/her field jacket.

(D) Education for offenders shall be offered by a designated employee at the facility.

4. Appropriate provisions shall be made as necessary for offenders not fluent in English, persons with disabilities and those with low literacy levels.

5. Additional sexual abuse and sexual harassment information shall be provided through offender brochures, handbooks and posters.

6. All materials provided to offenders on the subject of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, and any lesson plans used during any presentations on this topic shall be approved by Department of Public Safety's PREA Office."

NCDPS PREA Prevention Planning, Policy Number: DPS-PREA-100, page 10, section 9. a-e, states, "Each ACJJ facility shall take appropriate steps to ensure that offenders, residents, and safekeepers with disabilities (including, for example, offenders, residents, and safekeepers who are deaf or hard of hearing, those who are blind or have low vision, or those who have intellectual, psychiatric, or speech disabilities) and offenders, residents, and safekeepers who are Limited English Proficient, have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of DPS's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment by:

- a. Ensuring effective communication with offenders, residents, and safekeepers who are deaf or hard of hearing, by providing access to interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary;
- b. Ensuring that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with offenders, residents, and safekeepers with disabilities;
- c. Providing interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary; and
- d. Not relying on offender, resident or safekeeper interpreters, readers, or other types of assistants except in limited circumstances where an extended delay in obtaining an effective interpreter could compromise the offender, resident, or safekeeper's safety, the performance of first-response duties under PREA standards §115.64, 115.264, and 115.364 or the investigation of the offender, resident, or safekeeper's allegations.
- e. ACJJ facilities are not required to take actions they can demonstrate would result in a fundamental alteration in the nature of a service, program, or activity, or in undue financial and administrative burdens, as those terms are used in regulations promulgated under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, 28 CFR 35.164."

The facility provided a NCDPS Reporting - Help Prevent Prison Sexual Violence Flyer. This flyer provides instruction on:

- Offender Reporting
- o To any departmental employee
- o Through the administrative remedy process (grievance)
- o By writing to the PREA Office at MSC 4201, Raleigh, NC

- o To a Third Party – including family members, friends, and outside organizations, or
- o To the local rape crisis center
- o Externally to Project Offender Reporting Sexual Abuse (Dial 1.972.535.3499
- o Note: Anonymous reports will be investigated

The facility provided a Language Resource Center Contact Instruction Sheet. The instruction sheet demonstrates the facility has an active contract with a language services and provides contact instructions for Medical staff, Dental staff, Mental Health staff, Programs Staff and ADA and Custody staff.

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has established procedures to provide Inmates with limited English 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.

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency prohibits the use of inmate interpreters, inmate readers, or other types of inmate assistants except in limited circumstances where an extended delay in obtaining an effective interpreter could compromise the inmate's safety, the performance of first-response duties under §115.64, or the investigation of the inmate's allegations. In the last 12 months the facility has had zero instances where inmates were used for interpreters. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.17	Hiring and promotion decisions
	<p>Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard</p> <hr/> <p>Auditor Discussion</p> <p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ 2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Policy DPS-PREA-100, dated 10.11.2021 3. Employee Statement, PREA Hiring and Promotion Prohibitions, dated 12.2020 4. NC DPS Criminal History Check Form, dated 9.2013 5. DPS North Carolina Department of Public Safety Applicant Verification, dated 9.2013 6. NCDPS Applicant Verification form, dated 12.2020 7. NCDPS Employment Statements form, dated 12.2020 8. NCDPS Professional Reference Check, dated 12.2020 9. Post Audit: Email Communication, Subject: DCI's, dated 4.24.2023 <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Warden <p>Interviews with the Warden demonstrated during the hiring process, criminal background checks are completed on each employee and contractor, additionally, the facility completes criminal background checks every five years. During the hiring process, applicants' complete administrative adjudication questions and the Human Resource staff completes institutional reference checks on applicable applicants.</p> <p>Site Review Observation:</p> <p>By utilizing the PREA Audit Adult Prison & Jail Documentation Review Employee File/ Records template, 18 employee files reviewed demonstrated each had background checks upon hire and all but two had current criminal history records completed within five years. Administrative questions were asked during the application and promotion process for one employee. The facility was able to demonstrate institutional reference are requested during the hiring process.</p> <p>Action Plan:</p>

Conduct criminal history background checks on employees noted in Issue Log. Post audit the facility provided and email communication from the Administrative Assistant who is responsible for ensuring background checks are completed, stating the following. "BD's DCI check has been completed on 3/2/23 received and placed in his personnel file. ML's DCI was completed on 11/21/22, before his promotion to Lincoln CC, the final package with the DCI has not been received from the Region Office.

However, a copy of the HR004 and completed DCI is in the position history file for ML's promotion to Lincoln as a Correctional Sergeant, position number 60073162."

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency policy prohibits hiring or promoting anyone who may have contact with inmates and prohibits enlisting the services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates who: (1) 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); (2) 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; or (3) Has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in paragraph (a)(2) of this section.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Policy DPS-PREA-100, page 5, section C. 2., states,

1. "DPS shall not hire or promote anyone who may have contact with offenders, residents, or safekeepers, and shall not enlist the services of any contractor who may have contact with offenders, residents, or safekeepers, who:

i. 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);

ii. 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;

iii. Has a substantiated finding of abuse, neglect, or other rights infringement on any applicable NC registry, criminal justice standards commission, or other licensing authorities or bodies; or iv. Has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activities described in this section.

2. In the event an employee is alleged to have engaged in any of the activities described in Sections IV.C.1.i-iv, they will be reassigned from all offender, resident, and safekeeper contact and management will consult with the DPS PREA Office, DPS Central Human Resources, and the DPS Office of the General Counsel to determine

whether an internal investigation is required in accordance with the DPS-SI-100 OSI Authority to Conduct Investigations policy.”

The facility provided an NCDPS Employee Statement, demonstrating applicants have affirmed they have not engaged in sexual harassment and sexual abuse, upon hire.

The facility provided an NCDPS Employee Statement, demonstrating staff have affirmed they have not engaged in sexual harassment and sexual abuse, upon promotion.

The facility provided NCDPS Applicant Verification where applicant affirm agreement with PREA hiring and Promotion Prohibitions in relation to 115.317.

The facility provided NCDPS Public Safety Professional Reference Check demonstrating institutional reference questions are asked for applicable applicants.

The facility provided a NCDPS Criminal History Record Check demonstrating the applicant has no convictions, traffic violations other than those that are considered minor.

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states agency policy requires the consideration of any incidents of sexual harassment when determining to hire and or promote anyone, or to enlist services of any contractor, who may have contact with inmates.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Policy DPS-PREA-100, page 5, section C. 3., states, “DPS shall consider any incidents of sexual harassment in determining whether to hire or promote anyone, or to enlist the services of any contractor or custodial agents, who may have contact with offenders, residents, or safekeepers.”

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states agency policy requires that before it hires any new employees who may have contact with inmates, it (a) conducts criminal background record checks, and (b) consistent with federal, state, and local law, makes 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. In the past 12 months, the number of persons hired who may have contact with inmates who have had criminal background record checks was 20.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Policy DPS-PREA-100, page 5, section C. 4., states, "Before hiring new employees who may have contact with offenders, residents, or safekeepers DPS shall:

a. Perform a criminal and administrative background records check, to include any applicable North Carolina registry, criminal justice standards commission, or other licensing authorities or bodies; and

b. Consistent with Federal, State, and local law, make its best effort 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."

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency policy requires that a criminal background records check be completed before enlisting the services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates. In the past 12 months there were zero contracts for services where criminal background record checks were conducted on all contractors covered in the contract who might have contact with inmates. Policy compliance can be found in provision (c) of this standard.

(e) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency requires background checks to be completed every five years.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 6, section C. 5-6, state,

1. "DPS shall perform a criminal background records check before enlisting the services of any contractor who may have contact with offenders, residents, or safekeepers.

2. For current employees and contractors who may have contact with offenders, residents, or safekeepers, DPS shall conduct criminal background records checks at least once every five years."

(f) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Policy DPS-PREA-100, page 5, page 6, section C. 7, states, "For all applicants and employees who may have contact with offenders, residents, or safekeepers, DPS shall ask about previous misconduct

described in this section in written applications, in interviews for hiring or promotions, and in any interviews or written self- evaluations conducted as part of reviews of current employees.”

(g) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states that agency policy states that material omissions regarding such misconduct, or the provision of materially false information, shall be grounds for termination.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Policy DPS-PREA-100, page 5, page 6, section C. 8, states, “All employees shall have a continuing affirmative duty to disclose sexual misconduct. Material omissions regarding such misconduct, or the provision of materially false information, shall be grounds for termination.”

(h) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 6, section C. 9, states, “Unless prohibited by law, upon receiving a request from an institutional employer for whom an employee or former employee has applied to work, DPS shall provide information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involving the employee or former employee.”

The facility provided a NCDPS Professional Reference Check. Page 2 states and asks the past employer the following: “The NC Department of Public Safety (NCDPS) is required to conduct background checks on all applicants and employees who may have direct contact with offender or resident (juvenile) populations as a requirement by the standards of the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003 (Public Law 108-79), specifically Hiring and Promotion Prohibitions Standards (§115.17). As part of this background check, we would like to ask you the following question: Are you aware of your employee, being involved in any allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment that was found to be true or resigning during a pending investigation of any allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment before the investigation was finished?”

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.18	<p>Upgrades to facilities and technologies</p> <p>Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard</p> <p>Auditor Discussion</p> <p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Correctional Program Supervisor / PREA Compliance Manager 2. Warden 3. PREA Director / Head of Agency <p>Interviews with the facility and agency administrative staff demonstrated the facility has not acquired a new facility or made substantial expansions since the last PREA Audit. The Warden stated the facility is on the list to get new cameras that would be added to the state system.</p> <p>(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility has not acquired a new facility or made substantial expansions or modifications to existing facilities since the last PREA audit.</p> <p>(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility has not installed electronic surveillance system since the last PREA audit.</p> <p>Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.</p>
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115.21	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ 2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022 3. NCDPS Health Services Policy & Procedure Manual, Policy AD III-1, dated 1.2016 4. Memorandum of Understanding Sexual Assault 2023 (Advocate), date 2.14.2023 5. Atrium Health Communication for SANE Nurse Program, dated 3.9.2023 6. PREA Support Person Role and Responsibilities, not dated 7. PREA Support Person Training Curriculum, 1.31.2013 8. NCDAC Memorandum, RE: PREA Investigation and Compliance, dated 3.10.2023 <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Registered Nurse <p>The interview with the Registered Nurse demonstrated she is aware of signs and symptoms of sexual abuse and would immediately report allegations to the Officer in Charge and make arrangements to send inmates to Atrium Health for forensic exams.</p> <p>(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility is responsible for conducting administrative sexual abuse investigations (including inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse or staff sexual misconduct). The agency/facility is not responsible for conducting criminal sexual abuse investigations (including inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse or staff sexual misconduct).</p> <p>If another agency has responsibility for conducting either administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations, the name of the agency that has responsibility is the Lincoln County Sheriff.</p> <p>NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 27, section A. i., states, "Investigations into allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, shall be conducted promptly, thoroughly, and objectively for all allegations, including third-party and anonymous reports."</p>

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the protocol is not developmentally appropriate for youth.

The facility provided a NCDPS Health Services Policy & Procedure Manual, Policy#: CP-18, Purpose states, "To provide standardized clinical guidelines for the assessment and treatment of inmates who allege sexual abuse.

Note: This protocol is not intended to be applicable to every clinical situation which practitioners may encounter and is not meant as a substitute for individual judgment and professional expertise."

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility offers all inmates who experience sexual abuse access to forensic medical examinations. Forensic examinations are offered at no cost to the victim. Where possible, all examinations are conducted by SAFE or SANE examiners. There have been zero forensic medical exams performed by a SAFE/SANE exam performed in the last 12 months.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 22-23, section 4. a-b., states,

a. "If an alleged act of sexual abuse has occurred and there may be forensic medical evidence, the offender may need medical assistance, or other circumstances dictate, arrangements shall be promptly made to have the alleged offender-victim examined by medical services.

b. Medical Services will follow medical protocol, which includes provisions for examination, documentation and transport to the local emergency department when appropriate, where the following will occur: collection of forensic evidence, testing for sexually transmitted diseases, counseling, and prophylactic treatment. Medical Services will ensure that the offender receives medical follow-up and is offered a referral for mental health services."

NCDPS Health Services Policy & Procedure Manual, Policy AD III-1, page 4, section 3, states, "If emergency evaluation and/or treatment is provided and the condition is determined to be an emergency or there is an admission to an infirmary or hospital there will be no co-payment charged."

The facility provided an email communication from Atrium Health's Assistant Vice President Nursing, stating, "Atrium Health Lincoln has a SANE Nurse program. We have a nurse on site or on call for both adult and pediatric SANE cases. We do not have a SAFE program."

On 3.23.2023 at 3:10 pm MST, this Auditor phoned Atrium Health at 980.212.1184. A message was left on the Assistant Vice President's voicemail requesting verification the hospital would see residents from this facility any time those services may be needed.

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility attempts to make a victim advocate from a rape crisis center available to the victim, in person or by other means. All efforts are documented. If a rape crisis center is not available to provide victim advocate services, the facility provides a qualified staff or community member.

The facility provided a PREA Support Person Role and Responsibility Guideline. The Guideline Purpose states, "The purpose of this directive is to establish a standardized role of the PREA Support Person at each location and facility across the state for inmates, offenders and juveniles."

The facility provided a PREA Support Person Training Log and Curriculum. This training is an eight-hour course with a Lesson Objective: To provide the PREA Support Person with specialized training to prepare them to be a support person for inmate/juveniles who have experienced sexual abuse and harassment while incarcerated/under supervision."

The facility provided a Memorandum of Understanding Sexual Assault 2023 between the Lincoln County Correctional Center and the Cleveland County Abuse Prevention Council. This agreement appears to be current with termination and modification to occur by written correspondence from either party. The memorandum is signed by a Lincoln County Representative and the Executive Director of the Cleveland County Abuse Prevention Council on 2.14.2023.

(e) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states a qualified staff or community member accompanies and supports the victim through the forensic medical examination process and investigatory interviews and provides emotional support, crisis intervention, information and referrals.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 22-23, section 5, states, "Victim Support shall be offered by a PREA Support Person (PSP). The PSP shall:

- a. Be made available to provide victim advocate services.
- b. Offender victim of alleged sexual abuse by an employee, contractor, or volunteer, the PSP shall consult with the Warden on a weekly basis for three weeks following the report of sexual abuse to update the victim on the progress of the investigation, answer any questions of the offender victim and provide support.
- c. As requested by the victim, the PREA support person, of the same gender, shall accompany and support the victim through the forensic medical examination process."

(f, g, h) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency is not responsible for investigating administrative or criminal allegations of sexual abuse and relies on another agency to conduct these investigations, the agency has requested that the responsible agency follow the requirements of paragraphs §115.21 (a) through (e) of the standards.

The facility provided a NCDAC Memorandum, RE: PREA Investigation and Compliance, to local law enforcement, requesting consideration requirements be met for PREA Standard 115.21. The memorandum is dated 3.10.2023 and signed by the Lincoln County Sheriff, stating, "The Lincoln County Sheriff Office will investigate charges of crime upon request of local DOC Unit."

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.22

Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investigations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022

Interviews:

1. Correctional Officers
2. Registered Nurse

Staff interviews demonstrated each would immediately report all allegations to the Officer in Charge, medical and law enforcement if necessary.

Site Review Observation:

There were two administrative investigations reported in the last 12 months, one for sexual harassment and one for sexual abuse. Sources of allegations were inmates reporting verbally to staff.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency ensures that an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment (including inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse and staff sexual misconduct). In the past 12 months the facility has had six allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment that were received. In the past 12 months, the number of allegations resulting in an administrative investigation was six. In the past 12 months, the number of allegations referred for criminal investigation was zero.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 33-34, section K, states, "CONFIDENTIALITY: The Facility Investigator and all others involved in the PREA process, to the extent possible, will ensure the confidentiality of PREA complaints as well as all data collected through the investigation of those complaints except as required in the following circumstances: (1) to cooperate with law enforcement in any investigation and prosecution of the incidents alleged in such complaints; (2) to take and enforce disciplinary action against any staff member as a result of the incidents alleged in the complaints; (3) to

defend against claims brought by the offender for violation of the offender's rights for having been subjected to sexual abuse; and (4) to otherwise comply with the law."

(b-c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has policy that requires allegations of sexual abuse or harassment to be referred for investigation to an agency with the legal authority to conduct criminal investigations.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 31, section C. ii., states, "All substantiated reports of staff on offender sexual abuse or sexual harassment shall be reported in writing to the Region Director who will in turn forward the report to the Commissioner of Prisons. The written report shall include evidence to support the substantiation. The Commissioner of Prisons will forward all substantiated incidents of sexual abuse of an offender by staff to the Secretary of the Department of Public Safety, or designee, for referral to the State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) or other law enforcement agency for further investigation."

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 30, section B. 1., states, "Reported allegations, including persons involved and preliminary steps taken, shall be documented in OPUS on the PR (PREA) Incident Report within 72 hours of receiving the report. All PREA investigations shall be consulted (referred) to the Region level for final decision."

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states if the agency is responsible for conducting administrative or criminal investigations of alleged sexual abuse, and another state entity has the responsibility to conduct criminal investigations.

The agency policy is available on the agency website at: https://files.nc.gov/ncdps/documents/files/Divisions/DAC/Prisons/F.3400_-_Offender_Sexual_Abuse_and_Sexual_Harrassment.pdf

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.31 Employee training

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022
3. NCDPS DAC Office of Staff Development and Training 101, dated 7.1.2022
4. PREA Staff Training Acknowledgment of Understanding, dated 1.1.2023
5. Post Audit: NC Department of Adult Correction Warden Memorandum, RE: Action Plan 115.31, dated 4.10.2023

Interviews:

1. Correctional Officers
2. Supervisory Staff

Interviews with staff demonstrated each were aware of and received initial, annual and refresher PREA training through in-service training, in person trainings during shift debriefs every one to two months and annually through the on line learning management system.

Site Observation:

Through utilization of the PREA Audit Adult Prison & Jail Documentation Review Employee File / Records Review template, eight of 18 employee training files demonstrate annual training had not been completed. 11 of 18 employee training files demonstrate refresher training has not been completed

Action Plan:

- The facility to have employees complete annual and refresher training.
- The facility to upload completed training documentation to the supplemental files
- The facility/agency to provide a sustainable action plan to ensure training is completed within required timeframes

Post audit the facility provided a memorandum from the facility Warden signed on 4.10.2023, stating the following.

- All staff assigned to Lincoln Correctional Center have been assigned PREA 101 training with a mandatory completion date of May 1, 2023.
- Once training has been completed this information will be uploaded into OAS and the auditor will be notified.
- Administration of the facility will assign PREA training to all staff, each November when daylight savings time ends.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency trains all employees who may have contact with Inmates in all required provisions of this standard.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 10, section 3., states, "Understanding the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Intersex (LGBTI) Population New and current employees shall receive training specific to the care and custody of LGBTI offenders as follows:

- a. Sexual Abuse and Harassment 101/201 in accordance with Chapter F .3400 policy (Annually).
- b. PREA Understanding the LGBTI Offender
- c. Multicultural Awareness training
- d. Professional Ethics in the Workplace
- e. Safe Search Practices (certified staff)
- f. Annual Refresher: All staff shall receive refresher training in accordance with policy."

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 6, section (a) (1) (A-L), states, "New Employees: shall receive the Sexual Abuse and Harassment 101 training that addresses the following:

- A. The agencies standard of zero-tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment toward offenders, either by staff, contractors, volunteers, or by offenders.
- B. Employees' responsibilities when responding to sexual abuse and harassment;
- C. Offenders' right to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment;

- D. Offenders' and employees' right to be free from retaliation for reporting sexual abuse and harassment;
- E. The dynamics of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in confinement;
- F. Common reactions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment victims;
- G. Detect and respond to signs of threatened and actual sexual abuse;
- H. How to avoid inappropriate relationships with offenders;
- I. How to communicate effectively and professionally with offenders, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender nonconforming offenders;
- J. How to comply with relevant laws related to mandatory reporting of sexual abuse to outside authorities;
- K. Relevant laws regarding age of consent; and
- L. Unique attributes of working with males and/or females in confinement/supervision."

The facility provided a NCDPS DAC Office of Staff Development and Training Plan 101. The plan includes the following components:

1. Identify the "Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003" and the agency's zero-tolerance policy of sexual abuse and sexual harassment for offenders/persons under supervisions.
2. Define sexual abuse and sexual harassment.
3. Define offenders'/persons under supervisions' right to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment; and from retaliation for reporting.
4. Identify relevant laws.
5. Define employee responsibilities when responding to sexual abuse and sexual harassment.
6. Define the unique attributes of working with females in confinement/under supervision.
7. Define the unique attributes of working with males in confinement/under supervision.
8. Define the vulnerabilities of persons in confinement/under supervision.
9. Identify the dynamics of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in confinement/under supervision.
10. Identify how to detect signs of threatened and actual sexual abuse in

confinement/under supervision.

11. Identify the common reactions to sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

12. Identify methods of avoiding inappropriate relationships with offenders/persons under supervisions. DPS In-Service Training PREA: Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment 101 Course Code: DPS-556 Revision Date: 07/01/2022 Academic Checklist Page 2

13. Identify techniques for communicating effectively and professionally with offenders/persons under supervisions including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex (LGBTI) and gender nonconforming populations.

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states training is tailored to the unique needs and attributes and gender of Inmates at the facility. Employees who are reassigned from facilities housing the opposite gender are given additional training.

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states between trainings the agency provides employees who may have contact with inmates with refresher information about current policies regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The frequency with which employees who may have contact with inmates receive refresher training on PREA requirements is annually.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 7, section (2), states, "All staff shall receive SAH 101 refresher training every two years and receive SAH 201 refresher information during the alternate years on offender sexual abuse and sexual harassment issues emphasizing the zero-tolerance and duty to report, as well as covering current sexual abuse and sexual harassment policies and procedures."

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency documents that employees who may have contact with Inmates, understand the training they have received through employee signature or electronic verification.

The facility provided a PREA Staff Training Acknowledgment of Understanding form. This form documents, "I acknowledge understanding of the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003, NC General Statute Chapter 14-27.31, and NCDPS zero-tolerance policy for sexual abuse and sexual harassment. I also acknowledge that I must report any knowledge, suspicion, or information regarding an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment immediately."

	<p>Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.</p>
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115.32 Volunteer and contractor training

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022
3. Acknowledgment of Community Volunteer Training Orientation and Refresher Form, not dated

Interviews:

1. Chaplin, volunteer

The interview with the Chaplin demonstrated he has been trained on the agency zero tolerance policy for sexual harassment and sexual abuse to include reporting protocols. The Chaplin stated he would immediately report to the head programmer and has reported an allegation in the past.

Site Observation:

Review of the volunteer file demonstrated he had received volunteer training and attested to receipt of training through signature on the Acknowledgment of Community Volunteer Training Orientation and Refresher Form.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states all volunteers and contractors who have contact with Inmates have been trained on their responsibilities under the agency’s policies and procedures regarding sexual abuse and harassment prevention, detection, and response. 120 total contract staff and volunteers who have contact with Inmates, have completed the required training.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 7, section (b)(1)(A), states, “Volunteers (with the exception of One-Time volunteers who have no direct contact with offenders), custodial agents, contractors and other persons providing services to offenders:

- (i) Shall receive the Sexual Abuse and Harassment 101 training as part of initial orientation which addresses:

- The agencies standard of zero-tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment toward offenders, either by staff, contractors, volunteers, or by offenders; and
- Applicable methods to report incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

(ii) The application process will not be complete until the volunteer verifies understanding of training by signing the PREA Acknowledgement Form and returning the form to the facility.”

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the level and type of training provided to volunteers and contractors is based on the services they provide and level of contact they have with inmates.

All volunteers and contractors who have contact with inmates have been notified of the agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment and informed how to report such incidents.

The facility provided a NCDPS DAC Office of Staff Development and Training Plan 101. The plan includes the following components:

1. Identify the “Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003” and the agency’s zero-tolerance policy of sexual abuse and sexual harassment for offenders/persons under supervisions.
2. Define sexual abuse and sexual harassment.
3. Define offenders’/persons under supervisions’ right to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment; and from retaliation for reporting.
4. Identify relevant laws.
5. Define employee responsibilities when responding to sexual abuse and sexual harassment.
6. Define the unique attributes of working with females in confinement/under supervision.
7. Define the unique attributes of working with males in confinement/under supervision.
8. Define the vulnerabilities of persons in confinement/under supervision.
9. Identify the dynamics of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in confinement/under supervision.
10. Identify how to detect signs of threatened and actual sexual abuse in confinement/under supervision.
11. Identify the common reactions to sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

12. Identify methods of avoiding inappropriate relationships with offenders/persons under supervisions. DPS In-Service Training PREA: Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment 101 Course Code: DPS-556 Revision Date: 07/01/2022 Academic Checklist Page 2

13. Identify techniques for communicating effectively and professionally with offenders/persons under supervisions including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex (LGBTI) and gender nonconforming populations.

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency maintains documentation confirming that the volunteers and contractors understand the training they have received.

The facility provided an Acknowledgment of Community Volunteer Training Orientation and Refresher Form. The form includes the following information:

- Volunteer/Contractor Name / Facility Name
- Volunteer
- Address / Home Phone / Cell Phone
- I have read (or have had it read to me) and understand the following NC Department of Public Safety, Adult Correction, Prisons policies on: PREA, Non-Disclosure (Volunteer Privilege Community Form), Tobacco and Cell Phone
- The form is signed and dated by the volunteer

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.33

Inmate education

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022
3. NCDPS PREA Prevention Planning DPS-PREA-100, dated 10.11.2021
4. NCDPS Reporting - Help Prevent Prison Sexual Violence Flyer, not dated
5. NCDPS Offender PREA Education Acknowledgment, dated 10.26.2017

Interviews:

1. Random Inmates
2. Targeted Inmates
3. Correctional Officer

Interviews with the 10 random and 10 targeted inmates demonstrated each can report incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment through the grievance process, verbally telling staff, having a family member report for them or utilizing the hotline numbers posted near phones in the dorm.

The interview with Intake Correctional Officer demonstrated he provided all intakes with a complete Intake Orientation Packet to include an Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment talking points to include their rights to be free of sexual harassment and sexual abuse, how to report and the agency sexual harassment and sexual abuse policy. Inmate as then given the PREA information sheet to keep with them.

Site Observation:

Through utilization of the PREA Audit Adult Prison & Jail Documentation Review Inmate File / Records Review template demonstrated 15 of 15 inmates received PREA education within 72 hours of intake to include orientation and comprehensive education.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states Inmates receive information at time of intake about the zero-tolerance policy and how to report incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse or sexual harassment. The number of inmates admitted in the past 12 months who were given this information at intake was 433.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 10, section (d) Offender Education, 1-2, state,

1. "RECEPTION: All offenders shall receive, during reception, information explaining the agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment, how to report incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, prevention/intervention, self-protection, treatment, and counseling (5-ACI-3D

2. INTAKE: All offenders shall receive comprehensive education about sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Such education shall be completed within 30 days of intake and upon transfer to a different facility. (A) Comprehensive education shall include: (i) Offenders' rights to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment; (ii) Offenders' rights to be free from retaliation for reporting incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; and (iii) Policies and procedures for responding to incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. (iv) Methods available to offenders for reporting incidents of sexual abuse or sexual harassment internally and to an external agency or entity."

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the number of those inmates admitted during the past 12 months (whose length of stay in the facility was for 30 days or more) who received comprehensive education on their rights to be free from both sexual abuse and sexual harassment and retaliation for reporting such incidents and on agency policies and procedures for responding to such incidents within 30 days of intake was 343.

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states of those who were not educated during 30 days of intake, all inmates have been subsequently educated. Agency policy requires that inmates who are transferred from one facility to another be educated regarding their rights to be free from both sexual abuse and sexual harassment and retaliation for reporting such incidents and on agency policies and procedures for responding to such incidents, to the extent that the policies and procedures of the new facility differ from those of the previous facility.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 10, section (d) Offender Education, 3, states, "TRANSFER: All

offenders shall receive education about sexual abuse and sexual harassment upon transfer to a different facility.

- a. Education shall be completed utilizing the Offender FACTSHEET OPA-T101 Facilitator Talking Points.
- b. Each offender shall receive a copy of the PREA Brochure.
- c. Each offender will sign the Orientation Form and placed in his/her field jacket.
- d. Education for offenders shall be offered by a designated employee at the facility.”

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states Inmate PREA education is available in accessible formats for all inmates including those who are limited English proficient, deaf, visually impaired, otherwise disabled or have limited reading skills.

NCDPS PREA Prevention Planning, Policy Number: DPS-PREA-100, page 10, section 9. a-e, states, “Each ACJJ facility shall take appropriate steps to ensure that offenders, residents, and safekeepers with disabilities (including, for example, offenders, residents, and safekeepers who are deaf or hard of hearing, those who are blind or have low vision, or those who have intellectual, psychiatric, or speech disabilities) and offenders, residents, and safekeepers who are Limited English Proficient, have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of DPS’s efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment by:

- a. Ensuring effective communication with offenders, residents, and safekeepers who are deaf or hard of hearing, by providing access to interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary;
- b. Ensuring that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with offenders, residents, and safekeepers with disabilities;
- c. Providing interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary; and
- d. Not relying on offender, resident or safekeeper interpreters, readers, or other types of assistants except in limited circumstances where an extended delay in obtaining an effective interpreter could compromise the offender, resident, or safekeeper’s safety, the performance of first-response duties under PREA standards §115.64, 115.264, and 115.364 or the investigation of the offender, resident, or safekeeper’s allegations.
- e. ACJJ facilities are not required to take actions they can demonstrate would result in a fundamental alteration in the nature of a service, program, or activity, or in

undue financial and administrative burdens, as those terms are used in regulations promulgated under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, 28 CFR 35.164.”

(e) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility maintains documentation of inmate participation in PREA education sessions.

The facility provided a NCDPS Offender PREA Education Acknowledgment. The acknowledgment states “The North Carolina Department of Public Safety has committed to a standard of zero-tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment of offenders either by staff, offenders, volunteers, contracted agents, or individuals having custody of or responsibility for the safety, security, care, and/or treatment of offenders. Sexual acts between an offender and departmental staff, correctional agents, agency vendors, and volunteers will not be tolerated and these relationships are criminal and may be prosecuted under state and federal statutes. I have received education on the Prison Rape Elimination Act, information on Rape Crisis Center services, and have been afforded an opportunity to ask questions related to the material presented. I understand that I am encouraged to report any threat or occurrence of undue familiarity or offender sexual abuse and harassment to Department of Public Safety staff so that any potential victim may be protected and the abuser can be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. By my signature below, I acknowledge that I received and understand the information provided on “SEXUAL ABUSE AWARENESS FOR THE OFFENDER”.

The acknowledgment is signed and dated by the Offender and staff witness.

(f) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency ensures that key information about the agency’s PREA policies is continuously and readily available or visible through posters, inmate handbooks, or other written formats.

The facility provided a NCDPS Reporting – Help Prevent Prison Sexual Violence Flyer. This flyer provides instruction on:

- Offender Reporting
 - o To any departmental employee
 - o Through the administrative remedy process (grievance)
 - o By writing to the PREA Office at MSC 4201, Raleigh, NC
 - o To a Third Party – including family members, friends, and outside organizations, or

- o To the local rape crisis center
- o Externally to Project Offender Reporting Sexual Abuse (Dial 1.972.535.3499
- o Note: Anonymous reports will be investigated

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.34 Specialized training: Investigations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022
3. NCDPS In-Service Specialized Investigations: Sexual Abuse and Harassment Response and Investigations, dated 1.31.2013
4. PREA: Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Investigator’s Workshop Training Certificates

Interviews and on site file review:

1. Sergeant I - Facility Investigator

Interviews with the facility investigator and personnel file review demonstrated that each investigator either interviewed or who had completed investigations, had completed investigator training. Investigators also completed annual training as mandated in 115.31. The investigator interviewed clearly articulated his role in the investigation and process steps to be taken as is described in the agency investigator training.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency policy requires that investigators are trained in conducting sexual abuse investigations in confinement settings.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 9, section C. 1., states, “Investigators: Sexual Abuse and Harassment

- A. Shall complete appropriate employee training defined in section .3406(a)
- B. Shall receive training on conducting sexual abuse and harassment investigations in a confinement setting. Such training shall include:

- (i) Techniques for interviewing sexual abuse victims;
- (ii) Proper use of Miranda and Garrity Warnings;
- (iii) Sexual abuse evidence collection in a confinement setting; and
- (iv) Criteria and evidence required to substantiate a case for administrative action or prosecution referral.

C. Completion of training shall be documented on form OSDT-1 and in appropriate agency training tracking system.”

(b) The agency states investigator training has been completed on the National Institute for Corrections Specialized Investigator training website, which includes techniques for interviewing sexual abuse victims, proper use of Miranda and Garrity warnings, sexual abuse evidence collection in confinement settings, and the criteria and evidence required to substantiate a case for administrative action or prosecution referral.

The facility provided a NCDPS In-Service Specialized Investigations: Sexual Abuse and Harassment Response and Investigations curriculum. The learner objectives include:

1. Identify the “Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003” and the National Standards
2. Identify North Carolina sexual offense statutes.
3. Identify Division Sexual Abuse and Harassment Policies.
4. Define Investigative Warnings.
5. Define Interviewing.
6. Identify the characteristics of a good interviewer.
7. Define the rules of successful Interviewing.
8. Define the Skill Learning Cycle.
9. Identify verbal behaviors of untruthfulness.
10. Identify the five basic types of lies.
11. Define a report and its purpose.
12. Identify responsibilities of the investigating officer in sexual abuse and harassment incidents.

13. Define Incident Scene and Evidence Processing.
14. Identify the role of the PREA Support Person.
15. Demonstrate how to conduct and document a proper investigation.
16. Demonstrate an understanding of preparing the investigating officer's comments.
17. Define Investigation timeframes.
18. Identify the role of Department employees in Criminal Prosecutions.
19. Identify the applicability of the North Carolina Division of Adult Correction (Prisons & Community Corrections) and Division of Juvenile Justice Policy and Procedures.

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency shall maintain documentation that agency investigators have completed the required specialized training in conducting sexual abuse investigations. The facility has two employees who have completed investigator training.

The facility provided two employee PREA: Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Investigator's Workshop - 2018 "The Basics - Fundamentals Building Blocks of a SAH Investigation."

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.35	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care
	<p>Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard</p> <hr/> <p>Auditor Discussion</p> <p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ 2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022 3. NC Department of Public Safety In-Service Training – Sexual Abuse and Harassment PREA Specialized Medical Training, dated 4.15.2013 4. PREA – Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Medical & Mental Health Response Training Certificates 5. Post Audit: PREA – Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Medical & Mental Health Response Training Certificate for newly hired nurse 6. Post Audit: NC Department of Adult Correction Warden Memorandum, RE: Action Plan 1115.35, dated 4.10.2023 <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Registered Nurse 2. Western Region Mental Health Licensed Psychological Associate <p>Interviews demonstrated the newly hired Registered Nurse had not yet completed the required specialized training although she should speak to completing training on the agency policy for Offender Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment policy in in-service training. The mental health staff interviewed spoke to completing annual PREA training as well as completing specialized medical and mental health training and the proper protocols of reporting, separating victims from abusive situations, acute and follow up care in accordance with their department responsibilities.</p> <p>Interview with the Registered Nurse demonstrated she had opportunity to be left alone in the clinic with inmates. Due to possible concerns with not having cameras in the clinic or a check in check out system of inmates to and from the clinic, the facility was asked to provide an action plan to ensure the nurse did not see inmates while alone in the clinic.</p> <p>Site Observation:</p>

Mental health staff certifications were uploaded to the on line audit system during the pre-audit phase. The facility newly hired Registered Nurse had not yet completed the required specialized training for medical/mental health staff.

Action Plan:

Facility newly hired Registered Nurse to complete the required specialized training for medical/mental health staff. Certificate demonstrates training was completed on 4.1.2023.

Training documentation to be uploaded to the supplemental files. Training certificate for the newly hired nurse was uploaded to the online audit system on 4.5.2023.

Facility Warden or Agency Medical Nurse Supervisor to provide a memorandum, with a sustainable action plan to ensure all medical staff complete the required specialized training for medical/mental health staff. The facility provided a Warden memorandum, signed and dated on 4.10.2023, stating the following:

- o Facility has stopped the practice of the medical staff being alone with inmates.
- o Nurse has been trained to notify the Officer In Charge when she needs to examine an offender and she is alone in the medical department, OIC will ensure other staff escort offender to medical and remain in the area until the RV has finished with the offender and he is escorted out.
- o The Warden Blackburn has sent an email to all OIC's and medical staff to ensure this doesn't happen again. This is attached to the action plan.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has a policy related to the training of medical and mental health practitioners who work regularly in its facilities. Two staff, 100% of medical and mental health staff who work at the facility who have received training required by agency policy.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 9-10, section 2. A-C, states, "Medical and Mental Health care practitioners:

A. Shall complete mandated training defined in section .3406(a) for Employees; or mandated training defined in section .3406(b) for Volunteers, Custodial Agents, Contractors, and Other Persons Providing Services to Offenders for contractors. All full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities shall be trained in:

- I. Detecting and assessing signs of sexual abuse and sexual harassment;

- II. Preserving physical evidence of sexual abuse;
- III. Responding effectively and professionally to victims of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; and
- IV. How and to whom to report allegations or suspicions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

B. Verification of employee training shall be documented on form OSDT-1 and in appropriate agency training tracking system.”

The facility provided the NC Department of Public Safety In-Service Training – Sexual Abuse and Harassment PREA Specialized Medical Training. Learner objectives include the following:

1. Identify the role of a nurse regarding an allegation or evidence of sexual abuse occurring at a Youth Development Center (YDC).
2. Identify the role of the Human Services Coordinator and contractual nurse regarding an allegation or evidence of sexual abuse occurring at a Detention Center (DC).
3. Understand how to detect and assess signs of sexual abuse and sexual harassment.
4. Understand the documentation required with an alleged sexual abuse incident.
5. Identify the reporting procedure required with an alleged sexual abuse incident.
6. Identify how to maintain evidence of sexual abuse.
7. Identify steps in preparing for transport to local Emergency Departments.
8. Review the aftercare and on-going treatment of juveniles following a sexual abuse or harassment incident.
9. Understand the rationale and requirement for informed consent or refusal for each component of the sexual abuse evaluation.

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states their medical staff do not conduct forensic medical exams.

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency maintains documentation showing that medical and mental health practitioners have completed the required training.

	<p>The facility provided two PREA - Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Medical & Mental Health Response Training Certificates.</p>
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Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.41 Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022
3. NCDPS OPA-S010 Screening for Risk, dated 10.18.2021
4. Post Audit: NC Department of Adult Correction Warden Memorandum, RE: Risk Assessments, dated 4.10.2023

Interviews:

1. Random Inmates
2. Targeted Inmates
3. Correctional Case Managers

Interviews with inmates demonstrated most speaking to having been asked risk questions during the intake process and again within two to three weeks within intake.

Interviews with the Correctional Case Managers demonstrated that risk assessments are completed with each inmate upon admission and or at least within 72 hours of intake, in the privacy of their offices. The Correctional Case Managers stated that the inmate risk level is coordinated with the Correctional Program Supervisor who works with the shift Sergeants when allocating bed and dorm assignments. The Correctional Case Managers stated a second risk assessment is completed within two to three weeks of intake.

Site Observation:

Through utilization of the PREA Audit Adult Prison & Jail Documentation Review Inmate File / Records Review template, five of 15 inmate files reviewed demonstrate five inmates' reassessment was completed after the 30 day required timeline.

Action Plan:

Facility Warden to provide a memorandum with a sustainable action plan to ensure risk assessments are completed within the required timeframe. Post audit the facility provided a NC Department of Adult Correction Warden Memorandum signed on 4.10.2023, stating, "During the PREA Audit it was found that the risk assessments were not being completed as scheduled. I have spoken with the PREA Office and have been informed that they are highlighted in red when they need to be completed. It is a case managers' responsibility to check rosters daily to see if the risk assessments are due and complete them before the due date. The Program Supervisor will also be checking this on a daily basis to ensure the risk assessments are being completed."

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility has a policy that requires screening, upon admission or transfer, for risk of sexual abuse victimization or sexual abusiveness toward other Inmates.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 11-12, section (e) General Provision, (1)(A) states, "Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness:

A. All offenders and safekeepers shall receive a screening inventory, administered via the web-based OPUS intake system, within 24 hours after admission to Prisons (5-ACI-3D-10). Diagnostic Services staff shall conduct screening to determine an offender's risk of being sexually abused by other offenders or their risk of being sexually abusive towards other offenders (5-ACI-3D-12, 5-ACI-3D-13). The screening shall use an objective screening instrument that obtains the following minimum biographical data about the offender:

- (i) Whether the offender has a mental, physical, or developmental disability;
- (ii) The age of the offender;
- (iii) The physical build of the offender;
- (iv) Whether the offender has previously been incarcerated;
- (v) Whether the offender's criminal history is exclusively nonviolent;
- (vi) Whether the offender has prior convictions for sex offenses against an adult or child;
- (vii) Whether the offender is or is perceived to be gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender nonconforming;
- (viii) Whether the offender has previously experienced sexual victimization;
- (ix) The offender's own perception of vulnerability; (x) Whether the offender is

detained solely for civil immigration purposes; and

(x) The initial screening shall consider prior acts of sexual abuse, prior convictions for violent offenses, and history of prior institutional violence or sexual abuse, as known to the agency, in assessing offenders for risk of being sexually abusive.”

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 12, section (G), states, “Upon transfer to another facility, within 24 hours, the PCM and/or OIC shall review an offender’s risk of victimization and abusiveness by reviewing the dashboard and acknowledging housing placement is appropriate.”

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the number of inmates entering the facility (either through intake or transfer) within the past 12 months (whose length of stay in the facility was for 72 hours or more) who were screened for risk of sexual victimization or risk of sexually abusing other inmates with 72 hours of their entry into the facility was 417, 100% of inmates. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

(c-e) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility conducts risk assessments by using an objective screening instrument. The facility does not detain offenders solely for immigration purposes.

The facility provided a NCDPS OPA-S010 Screening for Risk. The screening includes the following components:

A. Ask the Person in Confinement

1. (§115.41(d)1-3 and 115.241(d)1-3 (fig.1, q.1-3, 10)

i. General information such as gender, body build, race, age, date of birth, and height

ii. Health class information to include physical capability and mental health

iii. Education level to include: Highest grade completed (if Person in Confinement is a HS graduate or has a GED? Years of college- if applicable

iv. If the Person in Confinement has any ADA status requirements?

v. Status as Developmental Disability?

2. (§115.41(d)4-6 and 115.241(d)4-6 (fig.1, q.4-6)

i. Previous incarceration

ii. Criminal History (Fig 2)

iii. Prior convictions for sex offenses against an adult or child

Note: This information reassesses in the event new charges have been added.

3. (§115.41(d)7-9 and 115.241(d)7-9 (fig.1, q.7,11-13)

i. If the Person in Confinement is gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender non-conforming

ii. If the Person in Confinement has experienced prior sexual victimization

iii. Offender's/resident's own perception of vulnerability (115.81(a-c)), they will be afforded an opportunity for a follow-up meeting with mental health. (fig.1, q.13)

B. Observe the Person in Confinement

1. (§115.41(d)7 and 115.241(d)7 (fig.1, q.14)

Does the screener perceive the Person in Confinement to be gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex or gender nonconforming?

C. Alerts and Referrals

1. An automatic referral is made to mental health when there is a "Yes" response to any question 1-6."

(f) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the policy requires that the facility reassess each inmate's risk of victimization or abusiveness within a set time period, not to exceed 30 days after the inmate's arrival at the facility, based upon any additional, relevant information received by the facility since the intake screening. The number of inmates entering the facility (either through intake or transfer) within the past 12 months (whose length of stay in the facility was for 30 days or more) who were reassessed for their risk of sexual victimization or of being sexually abusive with 30 days after their arrival at the facility based upon any additional relevant information received since intake was 347.

Harassment Policy, page 12, section (F), states, "Within a set time period, not to exceed 30 days from the offender's arrival at the facility, the facility will reassess the offender's risk of victimization or abusiveness based upon any additional, relevant information received by the facility since the intake screening."

(g) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the policy requires that an inmate's risk level be reassessed when warranted due to a referral, request, incident of sexual abuse, or receipt of additional information that bears on the inmate's risk of sexual victimization or abusiveness.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 13, section (H), states, "An offender's risk level shall be reassessed when warranted due to a referral, request, incident of sexual abuse and/or sexual harassment, or receipt of additional information that bears on the offender's risk for sexual victimization or abusiveness."

(h) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the policy prohibits disciplining inmates for refusing to answer (or for not disclosing complete information related to) questions regarding: (a) whether or not the inmate has a mental, physical, or developmental disability; (b) whether or not the inmate is or is perceived to be gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender non-conforming; (c) whether or not the inmate has previously experienced sexual victimization; and (d) the inmate's own perception of vulnerability.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 12, section (E), states, "Offenders may not be disciplined for refusing to answer or for not disclosing complete information during screening or assessment."

(i) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 11, section (D), states, "The responses to the MHSI, are confidential; therefore, the facility shall implement appropriate controls on the dissemination of responses to questions asked in order to ensure that sensitive information is not exploited to the offender's detriment by staff or other offenders." The Case Managers are the only position who has access to the completed risk screenings.

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.42 Use of screening information

Auditor Overall Determination: Exceeds Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022
3. PREA Report - High Risk Aggressor
4. PREA Report - High Risk for Victimization

Interviews:

1. Sergeant I
2. Program Director I
3. Warden
4. PREA Director / Head of Agency

Interviews with administrative staff demonstrated the PREA Director, Program Analysts, Region Site Security Coordinator, Associate Wardens and Wardens are the only personnel who have access to completed risk assessment. Interviews demonstrated the facility has specific housing assignments for potential victims and are kept separate from potential abusers. After review of inmate incident history through the classification process in OPUS, work and education assignments are assigned in kind to ensure cross over of potential victims and abusers does not occur within the facility. Sergeants are the only staff who are able to assign and or make changes to room assignments.

The interview with the PREA Director demonstrated the agency has a Transgender Accommodation Review Committee that reviews all special requests from individual transgender inmates. In addition, the PREA Director stated the agency system will not allow potential victims and potential aggressors to be placed in work or education assignments at the same time, preventing any possible ongoing victimization and or perpetration incidents from taking place.

Site Observation:

Review of staff protocols and inmate placement demonstrated thought and consideration is placed on inmates who could be considered victims and or aggressors in order to ensure sexual safety throughout the facility.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility uses information from the risk screening required by §115.341 to inform housing, bed, work, education, and program assignments with the goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 13-14, section (3) Use of screening information, (C) states, "Any information related to sexual victimization or abusiveness that occurred in an institutional setting shall be strictly limited to medical and mental health practitioners and other staff, as necessary, to inform treatment plans and security and management decisions, including housing, bed, work, education, and program assignments, or as otherwise required by Federal, State, or local law."

The facility provided a PREA Report - High Risk Aggressor. The report includes the following information:

- Action
- Last reviewed (all dates 2.2023)
- OPUS #
- Inmate Name
- Facility
- Bed/Cell
- Sex Offender
- Primary Assignment
- MH Grade
- Control
- Projected Release
- Conflict

The facility provided a PREA Report - High Risk for Victimization. The report includes

the following information:

- Action
- Last reviewed (all dates 2.2023)
- OPUS #
- Inmate Name
- Facility
- Bed/Cell
- Primary Assignment
- MH Grade
- Control
- Projected Release

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency/facility makes individualized determinations about how to ensure the safety of each inmate. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 15, section 3 (B)(iv), states, “) The facility shall make individualized determination for bed assignments, based on facility housing designs, to ensure the safety of each offender.”

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency/facility makes housing and program assignments for transgender, or intersex inmates in the facility on a case-by-case bases.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 15, section (E) states, “In deciding whether to assign a transgender or intersex offender to a facility for male or female offenders, and in making other housing and programming assignments, the agency shall consider on a case-by-case basis whether a placement would ensure the offender’s health and safety, and whether the placement would present management or security problems.”

(d) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 15, section (F) states, "Placement and programming assignments for each transgender or intersex offender shall be reassessed by the case manager at least twice each year to review any threats to safety experienced by the offender."

(e) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 15, section (G) states, "A transgender or intersex offender's own views with respect to his or her own safety shall be given serious consideration."

(f) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 16, section (H) states, "Transgender and intersex offenders shall be given the opportunity to shower separately from other offenders."

(g) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 14, section (I) states, "The agency shall not place lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex offenders in dedicated facilities, units, or wings solely on the basis of such identification or status, unless such placement is in a dedicated facility, unit, or wing established in connection with a consent decree, legal settlement, or legal judgment for the purpose of protecting such offenders."

Through such reviews, of the agency Transgender Accommodation Review Committee and agency database not allowing potential victims and potential aggressors to be assigned work and or education assignments to take place at the same time, the facility exceeds the standard requirements.

115.43 Protective Custody

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022

Interviews:

1. Sergeant I
2. Warden

Interviews administrative staff demonstrated protective custody is not utilized in this facility.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has a policy prohibiting the placement of inmates at high risk for sexual victimization in involuntary segregated housing unless and an assessment of all available alternatives has been made and a determination has been made that there is not available alternative means of separation from likely abusers. The number of inmates at risk of sexual victimization who were held in involuntary segregated housing the past 12 months for one to 24 hours awaiting completion of assessment was zero.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 16, section (4)(A) Protective Custody A., states, "Offenders at high risk for sexual victimization shall not be placed in restrictive housing unless an assessment of all available alternatives has been made, and a determination has been made that there is no available alternative means of separation from likely abusers (5-ACI-4B-34). If a facility cannot conduct such an assessment immediately, the facility may hold the offender in restrictive housing for less than 24 hours while completing the assessment."

(b) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 16, section (4) (B)., states, "Offenders placed in restrictive housing for this purpose shall have access to programs, privileges, education, and work opportunities to the extent possible. If the facility restricts

access to programs, privileges, education, or work opportunities, the facility shall document:

- i. The opportunities that have been limited;
- ii. The duration of the limitation; and
- iii. The reasons for such limitations.”

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the number of inmates at risk of sexual victimization who were assigned to involuntary segregated housing in the past 12 months, for longer than 30 days while awaiting alternative placement was zero.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 17, section (4) (C)., states, “The facility shall assign such offenders to restrictive housing only until an alternative means of separation from likely abusers can be arranged, and such an assignment shall not ordinarily exceed a period of 30 days.

(i) Alternative placements can include, but are not limited to, the following temporary options:

- Relocation to a different housing unit;
- Placement in a cell or bed closer to the Corrections Officer’s desk within the unit;
- Any other housing area that the facility head or designee deems appropriate to separate from likely abusers.”

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states from a review of case files of inmates at risk of sexual victimization who were held in involuntary segregated housing in the past 12 months, the number of case files that include BOTH (a) a statement of the basis for facilities concern for the inmate’s safety, and (b) the reason or reason why alternative means of separation could not be arranged was zero.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 17, section (4)(D), states, “If a restrictive housing assignment is made pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, the facility shall clearly document:

- i. The basis for the facility’s concern for the offender’s safety; and

- ii. The reason why no alternative means of separation can be arranged.
- iii. The other alternative means for separation that were explored;

(e) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states if an involuntary segregated housing assignment is made, the facility affords each such inmate a review every 30 days to determine whether there is a continuing need for separation from the general population.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 17, section (4)(E), states, "Every 30 days, the facility shall afford each such offender a review to determine whether there is a continuing need for separation from the general population."

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.51	Inmate reporting
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ 2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022 3. NCDPS Reporting - Help Prevent Prison Sexual Violence Flyer, dated 1.24.2022 4. Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA): Ways to Report flyer, not dated 5. PREA Inmate Brochure, dated 12.21.2015 <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Random Inmates 2. Targeted Inmates 3. Correctional Officers <p>Interviews demonstrated inmates were comfortable reporting verbally to any staff, calling the hotline number posted near their phones or through the grievance process. Offenders were aware they could write to the addresses posted on the postings available throughout the facility, have a trusted adult in the community report for them, and choosing to be anonymous when reporting.</p> <p>Site Observations:</p> <p>Standardized bulletin boards with internal and external reporting options and advocate phone and address information were available in each dorm and on bulletin boards in the yard, visitation and programming buildings.</p> <p>During the tour the Auditor asked an inmate to help test of the agency external PREA Hotline on the inmate pay phones. Upon making the call a voice stated the calls were monitored and recorded. Once the hotline was reached a voice mail prompted the caller to leave their OPUS number.</p> <p>Facility or agency to provide documentation demonstrating inmate phone calls to the</p>

public or private entity that is not part of the agency can immediately forward inmate reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to agency officials, allowing the inmate to remain anonymous upon request. During the onsite review the facility changed the message on inmate phones to specifically stating the call is recorded, but not monitored and the inmate can leave a message without leaving their name and can remain anonymous. The agency provided three documents given to inmates and posted throughout the facility with like language, supporting callers can be anonymous.

- End the Silence Brochure
- Reporting - Help Prevent Prison Sexual Violence
- Facilitator Talking Points

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has established procedures allowing for multiple internal ways for inmates to report privately to agency officials about: (a) sexual abuse or sexual harassment; (b) retaliation by other inmates or staff for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment; and (c) staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to such incidents.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 18, section (f)(1)(A)(i), states, "Multiple internal ways shall be provided for offenders to privately report sexual abuse and sexual harassment, retaliation by other offenders or staff for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment, and staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to such incidents."

The facility provided a Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA): Ways to Report flyer. The flyer has a section for Offender Reporting, Reports Can Be Made:

- To any departmental employee;
- Through the administrative remedy process (grievance);
- By writing the PREA Office at MSC 4201;
- To a third party to include family members, friends, outside organization;
- To the Local Rape Crisis Center:
 - o Families First Rape Crisis Center, PO Box 1776 Whiteville, NC 28472
 - o To speak to an RCC Advocate Dial *63
- (For inmates only) Prisoner Legal Services: North Carolina Prisoner Legal

Services, PO Box 25397, Raleigh, NC 27611

- Anonymous reports will be investigated

The facility provided a NCDPS Reporting – Help Prevent Prison Sexual Violence Flyer. This flyer provides instruction on:

- Offender Reporting
 - o To any departmental employee
 - o Through the administrative remedy process (grievance)
 - o By writing to the PREA Office at MSC 4201, Raleigh, NC
 - o To a Third Party – including family members, friends, and outside organizations, or
 - o To the local rape crisis center
 - o Externally to Project Offender Reporting Sexual Abuse (Dial 1.972.535.3499)
 - o Note: Anonymous reports will be investigated

The facility provided a PREA Inmate Brochure. The brochure explains the following information.

- Sexual Abuse and Harassment Definitions
- Preventing Sexual Abuse
- What to Do If You Are Sexually Abused
- Facts About Sexual Abuse
- Report Incidents to:
- Facts for The Inmate Who Sexually Abuses Another Inmate
- False Reporting

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states facility provides at least one way for inmates to report abuse or harassment to a public or private entity or office that is not part of the agency. The agency does not have a policy requiring inmates detained solely for civil immigration purposes be provided information on how to contact relevant consular officials and relevant officials of the Department of Homeland Security.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 18, section (f)(ii), states, "At least one way shall be provided for offenders to report abuse or sexual harassment to a public or private entity or office that is not part of the agency, and that is able to receive and immediately forward offender reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to agency officials, allowing the offender to remain anonymous upon request. There shall also be no time limit on when an offender may report sexual misconduct."

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 18, section (f) Reporting and Investigation of Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment, (1)(A)(iii), states, "Offenders detained solely for civil immigration purposes shall be provided information on how to contact relevant consular officials and relevant officials at the US Department of Homeland Security."

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has a policy mandating that staff accept reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment made verbally, in writing, anonymously, and from third parties. Staff are required to document verbal reports.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 18, section (f) Reporting and Investigation of Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment, (1)(A)(iv), states, "Ways of reporting incidents of sexual abuse and harassment:

- i. To any Department of Public Safety employee;
- ii. Administrative remedy process;
- iii. PREA/Grievance locked box where applicable; and
- iv. Toll free telephone number for reporting directly to an external agency or entity, incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment."

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has established procedures for staff to privately report sexual abuse and sexual harassment of inmates.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 17, section (C) Staff and Agency Reporting Duties, state,

(i) All staff are required to report immediately 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.

(ii) Staff has a duty to report any allegations that offenders are having sexual relationships with other offenders or with staff.

(iii) Any retaliation against offenders or staff who reported such an incident; and any staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to an incident or retaliation.

(iv) Staff may report allegations privately. Ways to report include but are not limited to:

i. The PREA office by email at PREA@ncdps.gov, or by telephone at (919) 825-2754.

ii. Anonymously by contacting the Fraud, Waste, Abuse & Misconduct Hotline at (844) 208-4018.

iii. Local law enforcement agency.

(v) All reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, however made, are to be forwarded to the Facility Head and the PREA Office.”

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.52	Exhaustion of administrative remedies
	<p>Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard</p> <hr/> <p>Auditor Discussion</p> <p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ <li>2. NCDPS Policy & Procedures Chapter G.0300 Administrative Remedy Procedure, dated 12.18.2021 <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Random Inmates <li>2. Targeted Inmates <li>3. Correctional Program Supervisor / PREA Compliance Manager <li>4. Warden <p>Inmates interviewed were aware of the grievance procedures and understood they could complete a grievance and place it in the box available at the entrance of the dorms. Inmates stated grievances are available at the Officer Desk and each can take one at will. Inmates state they have their own writing utensils at all times.</p> <p>Site Observation:</p> <p>Grievance boxes were observed in at the entrance of dorms and grievances and other inmate forms were witnessed at the Officer Desk as described by inmates.</p> <p>(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has an administrative procedure for dealing with Inmate grievances regarding sexual abuse.</p> <p>NCDPS Policy & Procedures Chapter G.0300 Administrative Remedy Procedure, page 1, section (a)-(d), state, “</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. “The policy of the North Carolina Department of Public Safety is to provide inmates an opportunity for administrative settlement of legitimate grievances. Most grievances can be resolved quickly through informal communication with responsible authorities at the facility in which the problem arose. An inmate should be encouraged to use this method prior to the initiation of a formal grievance. When this

method is not possible, the Department of Public Safety seeks to reduce tension and provide a stable atmosphere by providing formal channels of communication of grievances.

b. A grievance is a written complaint by an inmate on the inmate's own behalf concerning an action, incident, policy, or condition within the facility or within Prisons as a whole.

c. The Administrative Remedy Procedure shall afford a successful grievant a meaningful remedy to include but not be limited to, an order requiring that specific action be taken, modification of Prisons policy, restoration or restitution for personal property, and such other remedies that will meaningfully resolve the grievance presented.

d. Employees who intentionally obstruct the grievance process shall be subject to disciplinary action.”

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states agency policy or procedure allows an inmate to submit a grievance regarding an allegation of sexual abuse at any time, regardless of when the incident is alleged to have occurred.

NCDPS Policies & Procedures Chapter G Section .0300, page 6, section (c) 1-3, states,
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“If an emergency grievance alleges an inmate is subject to a substantial risk for imminent sexual abuse, the facility shall:

1. immediately forward the grievance (or any portion thereof that alleges such substantial risk) to a level of review at which immediate corrective action can be taken,

2. provide an initial response within 48 hours, and

3. issue a final agency decision within 5 calendar days.

The initial response and final agency decision shall document the agency’s determination that the inmate is at substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse about and the action taken in response to the emergency grievance.”

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency’s policy and procedure allows an inmate to submit a grievance alleging sexual abuse without submitting it to the staff member who is the subject of the complaint. The agency’s policy and procedure require that an inmate grievance alleging sexual abuse not be referred to

the staff member who is the subject of the complaint.

NCDPS Policies & Procedures Chapter G Section .0300, page 3, section .0305 Screening Officer, states, "Facility Heads will appoint one or more screening officers to review grievances and decide whether they should be accepted or rejected under the criteria set forth in Sections .0304 and .0306 herein. Facility Heads may designate screening officers or screen grievances themselves. The appointment of fair and knowledgeable screening officers will ensure compliance with the grievance procedure and facilitate mediation of grievances at the facility level. No employee who appears to be involved in a grievance shall participate in any capacity in the resolution process, except as a witness where necessary. In addition, no employee who appears to be involved in an inmate sexual abuse or harassment allegation shall accept a grievance which suggests such personal involvement or shall participate in any capacity in the response to the grievance."

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency's policy and procedures that require a decision on the merits of any grievance or portion of a grievance alleging sexual abuse be made within 90 days of the filing of the grievance. In the past 12 months there has been zero grievance filed alleging sexual abuse.

NCDPS Policy & Procedures Chapter G.0300 Administrative Remedy Procedure, page 4, section .0307 Time Limits (a), states, "From filing to final disposition, all grievances shall be processed within ninety (90) days. For purpose of counting days under the grievance procedure, all references to days shall be interpreted to mean calendar days. The 90-day period commences the day after the grievance has been accepted."

NCDPS Policy & Procedures Chapter G.0300 Administrative Remedy Procedure, page 5-6, section .0307 Time Limits (5) and (6), state,

5. "If at any level of the administrative remedy process, including the final level, the inmate does not receive a response within the time provided for reply, including any properly noticed extension, the absence of a response shall be a denial at that level which the inmate may appeal, but the 24 hours' time limit to request an appeal does not begin until the inmate receives a written denial.

6. Prisons may grant an extension of time to respond for up to 70 days, if the normal time period for response is insufficient to make an appropriate decision. The agency shall notify the inmate in writing of any such extension and provide a date by which a decision will be made."

(e) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states agency policy and procedure permits third parties, including fellow inmates, staff members, family members, attorneys, and outside advocates, to assist inmates in filing requests for administrative remedies relating to allegations of sexual abuse and to file such requests on behalf of inmates. Agency policy and procedure requires that if an inmate declines to have third-party assistance in filing a grievance alleging sexual abuse, the agency documents the inmate's decision to decline. The number of grievances alleging sexual abuse filed by inmates in the past 12 months in which the inmate declined third-party assistance, containing documentation of the inmate's decision to decline was zero.

NCDPS Policy & Procedures Chapter G.0300 Administrative Remedy Procedure, page 2, section .0302 Accessibility, section (4), states, "Third parties, including fellow inmates, staff members, family members, attorneys, and outside advocates shall be permitted to assist inmates in submitting a grievance relating to allegations of sexual abuse and shall be permitted to submit such a grievance on behalf of an inmate. If a third party submits a grievance on behalf of an inmate, the facility may require, as a condition of processing the grievance, that the alleged victim agree to have the grievance submitted on his or her behalf and also may require the alleged victim personally to pursue any subsequent steps in the grievance process. If the inmate declines to have the grievance processed on his or her behalf, the facility shall document the inmate's decision. (A)

If the inmate declines to have the grievance processed on his or her behalf, the facility shall document the inmate's decision."

(f) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility has a policy and established procedures for filing an emergency grievance alleging that an inmate is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse. The facilities policy and procedures for emergency grievances alleging substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse require an initial response within 48 hours. The facilities policy and procedure for emergency grievances alleging substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse require that a final agency decision be issued within five days. Three grievances were received alleging substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, that were filed in the past 12 months. One of those grievances had an initial response within 48 hours. The number of grievances alleging substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse filed in the past 12 months that reached final decisions within 5 days was zero.

NCDPS Policy & Procedures Chapter G.0300 Administrative Remedy Procedure, page 2, section .0308 Emergency Grievances, section (e), states, "If an emergency grievance alleges an inmate is subject to a substantial risk for imminent sexual abuse, the facility shall:

1. immediately forward the grievance (or any portion thereof that alleges such substantial risk) to a level of review at which immediate corrective action can be taken,
2. provide an initial response within 48 hours, and
3. issue a final agency decision within 5 calendar days.

The initial response and final agency decision shall document the agency's determination that the inmate is at substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse about and the action taken in response to the emergency grievance."

(g) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility has a written policy that limits its ability to discipline an inmate for filing a grievance alleging sexual abuse to occasions where the agency demonstrates that the Inmate filed the grievance in bad faith. In the past 12 months, there have been zero grievances alleging sexual abuse to occasions where the agency demonstrated that the Inmate filed the grievance in bad faith.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 31, section (4) Offenders, (e), states, "For the purpose of disciplinary action, a report of sexual abuse made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief that the alleged conduct occurred shall not constitute falsely reporting an incident or lying, even if an investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation."

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.53

Inmate access to outside confidential support services

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022
3. Memorandum of Understanding Sexual Assault 2023
4. End the Silence Zero Tolerance Brochure, dated 1.2023

Interviews:

2. Random Inmates
3. Targeted Inmates
4. Correctional Officers
5. Specialized staff

Interviews with inmates demonstrated they were aware they could contact advocates through the postings made available to them through the postings in the dorms.

Interviews with staff demonstrated in the event an advocate was requested they would contact the advocacy agency, find available times advocates could provide services and allow them entry into the facility to meet one on one with inmates.

Site Observation:

During the tour and informal inmate interviews, an inmate was asked to demonstrate how he could make contact the advocacy agency via dorm payphones. Through this demonstration the inmate was able to demonstrate directions could be followed per the directions posted near inmate phones. During the call to the advocate a voice mail stated the name of the agency and requested the inmate leave his name, facility information and the agency would return the call.

- (a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility provides Inmates with access to outside victim advocate for emotional support services related to sexual

abuse by:

- The facility provides inmates with access to such services by giving inmates mailing addresses and telephone numbers (including toll-free hotline numbers where available) for local, state, or national victim advocacy or rape crisis organizations.
- The facility provides inmates with access to such services by giving inmates mailing addresses and telephone numbers (including toll-free hotline numbers where available) for immigrant services agencies for persons detained solely for civil immigration purposes.
- The facility provides inmates with access to such services by enabling reasonable communication between inmates and these organizations in as confidential a manner as possible.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 23, section (5)(E), states, "Offender victim shall be provided access to outside victim advocates for emotional support services related to sexual abuse by giving the offenders mailing addresses and telephone numbers, including toll-free hotline numbers where available, of local, State, or national victim advocacy or rape crisis organizations. The facility shall enable reasonable communication between offenders and these organizations and agencies, in as confidential a manner as possible."

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 23, section (E), states, "Offender victim shall be provided access to outside victim advocates for emotional support services related to sexual abuse by giving the offenders mailing addresses and telephone numbers, including toll-free hotline numbers where available, of local, State, or national victim advocacy or rape crisis organizations. The facility shall enable reasonable communication between offenders and these organizations and agencies, in as confidential a manner as possible."

The facility provided an End the Silence Zero Tolerance Brochure. The brochure includes the following information.

- Zero Tolerance Policy
- What is Sexual Harassment
- What is Sexual Abuse
- Staff Voyeurism
- Examples of Staff Voyeurism

- Tips for Avoiding Sexual Abuse
- Right to Report
- How to Report
- External Reporting Option
- If You Are Abused
- Notice for Failure to Report

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility informs Inmates, prior to giving them access to outside support services, the extent to which such communications will be monitored. The facility informs inmates, prior to giving them access to outside support services, of the mandatory reporting rules governing privacy, confidentiality, and/or privilege that apply for disclosures of sexual abuse made to outside victim advocates, including any limits to confidentiality under relevant Federal, State, or local law.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 23, section (F), states, "The facility shall inform the offenders, 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."

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility maintains memoranda of understanding with community service providers that are able to provide inmates with emotional support services related to sexual abuse.

The facility provided a Memorandum of Understanding Sexual Assault 2023 between the Lincoln County Correctional Center and the Cleveland County Abuse Prevention Council. This agreement appears to be current with termination and modification to occur by written correspondence from either party. The memorandum is signed by a Lincoln County Representative and the Executive Director of the Cleveland County Abuse Prevention Council on 2.14.2023.

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.54 Third-party reporting

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022
3. NCDPS Reporting – Help Prevent Prison Sexual Violence Flyer, dated 1.21.2023

Interviews:

1. Random Inmates
2. Targeted Inmates
3. Correctional Officers
4. Supervisory staff

Inmates and staff interviewed demonstrated their reporting knowledge of third party reporting stating family members or friends could report sexual harassment or sexual abuse allegations for them.

Site Observation:

During tours of the visitation building, standardized bulletin boards were available to include third party reporting information.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility provides a method to receive third-party reports of inmate sexual abuse or sexual harassment. The agency publicly distributes information on how to report Inmate sexual abuse or sexual harassment on behalf of Inmates.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 19, section (B) states, “Third Party Reporting: can be made via email, phone or letter.”

NCDPS PREA Fraud, Waste, Abuse and Misconduct Website Link:
<https://www.ncdps.gov/contact/report-fraud-waste-or-financial-mismanagement-department-assets>

NCDPS PREA Website Link: <https://www.ncdps.gov/dps-services/prison-rape-elimination-act>

The facility provided a NCDPS Reporting – Help Prevent Prison Sexual Violence Flyer. This flyer provides instruction on:

- Offender Reporting
 - o To any departmental employee
 - o Through the administrative remedy process (grievance)
 - o By writing to the PREA Office at MSC 4201, Raleigh, NC
 - o To a Third Party – including family members, friends, and outside organizations, or
 - o To the local rape crisis center
 - o Externally to Project Offender Reporting Sexual Abuse (Dial 1.972.535.3499)
 - o Note: Anonymous reports will be investigated

On 2.26.2023 at 7:54PM this Auditor emailed to prea@ncdps.gov, stating, “My name Karen Murray and I am a PREA Auditor preparing to audit the Lincoln Correctional Center. In testing systems, could you please tell me your processes that would occur when you receive a third party report through this website. Thank you in advance for your time and response.”

On 2.26.2023 at 7:55PM, the following response was received.

“***AUTOMATED MAIL RESPONSE FROM PREA ADMINISTRATION***”

Please keep this email for future references.

Your mail to PREA Administration has been received.

This is a receipt notification only. A personal response will be made by PREA Administration as soon as possible.

If your request is urgent, please call PREA Administration at 919-825-2757. Please leave a message on the voicemail if we are unavailable. Slowly say your name, staff id and phone number.”

On 2.27.2023 at 5:12AM the following message was received from the North Carolina Department of Public Safety. “We would immediately refer the report to the DAC PREA Office via phone and follow up email if phone was not successful on our first attempt.”

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.61 Staff and agency reporting duties

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022

Interviews:

1. Correctional Officers
2. Medical and Mental Health staff
3. Correctional Program Supervisor / PREA Compliance Manager
4. Sergeant I / Facility Investigator
5. Warden

Interviews with the facility staff and inmates demonstrated each actively practices and understood the importance of immediately reporting all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

Site Observations:

Staff reporting documentation of victim information, incident reports and investigations completed in the facility database demonstrated reports of allegation are addressed timely.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency requires all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information they receive regarding an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment that occurred in a facility, whether or not it is part of the agency. The agency requires all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any retaliation against Inmates or staff who reported such an incident. The agency requires all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to an incident or retaliation.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 19, section (C) Staff and Agency Reporting Duties, (i)-(iii), state,

i. "All staff are required to report immediately 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.

ii. Staff has a duty to report any allegations that offenders are having sexual relationships with other offenders or with staff.

iii. Any retaliation against offenders or staff who reported such an incident; and any staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to an incident or retaliation."

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states, apart from reporting to designated supervisors or official and designated state or local service agencies, agency policy prohibits staff from revealing any information related to a sexual abuse report to anyone other than to the extent necessary to make treatment, investigation, and other security and management decisions.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 33-34, section (k), states, "CONFIDENTIALITY: The Facility Investigator and all others involved in the PREA process, to the extent possible, will ensure the confidentiality of PREA complaints as well as all data collected through the investigation of those complaints except as required in the following circumstances: (1) to cooperate with law enforcement in any investigation and prosecution of the incidents alleged in such complaints; (2) to take and enforce disciplinary action against any staff member as a result of the incidents alleged in the complaints; (3) to defend against claims brought by the offender for violation of the offender's rights for having been subjected to sexual abuse; and (4) to otherwise comply with the law."

(c) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 19, section (vi), states, "Unless otherwise precluded by Federal, State, or local law, medical and mental health practitioners shall be required to report sexual abuse to inform offenders of the practitioner's duty to report, and the limitations of confidentiality, at the initiation of services."

(d) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 19, section (vii), states, "If the alleged victim is under the age of 18 or considered a vulnerable adult under a State or local vulnerable person's statute, reporting such allegation to the local NC Department of Social

Services is required.”

(e) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 19, section (viii) Staff and Agency Reporting Duties, states, “The facility shall report all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including third-party and anonymous reports, to the facility’s designated investigators.”

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.62	Agency protection duties
	<p>Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard</p> <hr/> <p>Auditor Discussion</p> <p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ <li>2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022 <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Targeted Inmates <li>2. Correctional Officers <li>3. Correctional Program Supervisor / PREA Compliance Manager <li>4. Warden <p>An interview with one targeted inmate demonstrated he had reported abuse at the facility. The inmate stated the staff responded quickly and separated him from his aggressor.</p> <p>Interviews with administrative staff demonstrated the facility staff act promptly and responds properly at the discovery of any incident involving sexual harassment or sexual abuse.</p> <p>Site Observation:</p> <p>Of the five investigations reviewed during the onsite review, each demonstrated the investigation was referred for investigation the same day the allegation was reported.</p> <p>(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states when the agency or facility learns that an inmate is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, it takes immediate action to protect the Inmate. In the past 12 months, the facility reports zero inmates were subject to substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse. Upon discovery of inmates being subject to substantial risk, the facility immediately separates the victim from the perpetrator, made notification and completed incident reporting requirements.</p>

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 20, section (2), states, "Protection Duties: When the staff learns that an offender is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse immediate action shall be taken to protect the offender."

Through such reviews the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.63 Reporting to other confinement facilities

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022

Interviews:

1. Warden

The interview with the Warden demonstrated that she was aware that upon receiving an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused while confined at another facility she would report the allegation to the receiving facility Warden, within 72 hours, and assist the responsible facility during the investigation process.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has a policy requiring that, upon receiving an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused while confined at another facility, the head of the facility must notify the head of the facility or appropriate office of the agency or facility where sexual abuse is alleged to have occurred. The agency’s policy also requires that the head of the facility notify the appropriate investigative agency. In the past 12 months the has received zero allegations that an inmate was abused while in confinement at another facility.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 20, section (D)(i), states, “Upon receiving an allegation that an offender was sexually abused while confined at another facility, the Warden of the facility that received the allegation shall notify the Warden of the facility or appropriate office of the agency where the alleged abuse occurred.”

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states agency policy requires that the facility head provides such notification as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours after receiving the allegation.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 18, section (D)(ii), states, “Such notification shall be

provided as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours after receiving the allegation.”

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility documents that it has not had a need to provide such notification within 72 hours of receiving the allegation.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 20, section (D)(iii), states, “The Facility Head shall document such notification by completing a memorandum to file, and uploading into the correspondence tracking system (CTS).”

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states facility policy requires that allegations received from other agencies or facilities are investigated in accordance with the PREA standards. In the last 12 months, there have been zero allegations of sexual abuse.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 20, section (D)(iv), states, “Upon receiving notification from another facility or agency that an allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment has been reported, the Warden shall ensure that the allegation is investigated in accordance with these standards.”

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.64 Staff first responder duties

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022

Interviews:

1. Correctional Officers
2. Correctional Program Supervisor / PREA Compliance Manager

Interviews with Correctional Officers demonstrated they were aware of their first responder responsibilities. If sexual abuse occurred, Correctional Officers stated they would immediately stop abuse, separate victims and perpetrators, cord off and secure the area where abuse was alleged, preserve evidence by ensuring victims and aggressors did not eat, drink, and shower. When asked where victims and aggressors would be placed after an incident of sexual abuse, staff were unsure of a proper holding location until the proper authorities arrive.

Recommendation:

Discuss and simulate where victims and perpetrators are placed in the facility when a sexual abuse occurs.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has a first responder policy for allegations of sexual abuse. The policy requires that, upon learning of an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused, the first security staff member to respond to the report shall be required to separate, preserve, protect, collect physical evidence, 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, 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.

In the past 12 months, six allegations occurred where an inmate was sexually abused. Of these allegations, the number of time the first security staff member to respond to the report separated the alleged victim and abuser was six. In the past 12 months, there were zero allegations where staff were notified within a time period that allowed for the collection of evidence.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 20-22, section (3)(A), states, "Upon learning of an allegation that an offender was sexually abused, the first security staff member to respond to the report shall be required to:

i. Take necessary steps to separate the alleged victim and abuser. If the Facility Head, in consultation with the PREA Support Person, determines that the safety of the offender victim requires placement in administrative segregation, then:

- Such restrictive housing shall be administered in accordance with the applicable policies and procedures for restrictive housing for administrative purposes.

- The Warden has the discretion regarding how separation occurs, who is moved, and where. Should the alleged victim be placed in restrictive housing, then an analysis of 1) information from the Preliminary Review to include the type of allegation, 2) prior complaints filed against the alleged abuser, 3) will the movement appear punitive toward an alleged victim shall be considered, and 4) documentation of the decision to move the alleged victim.

- The Region Director and the DPS PREA Office shall be notified of the use of restrictive housing and the reasons therefore.

- To the maximum extent possible, the offender victim while in restrictive housing for administrative purposes shall have the same privileges of access to the canteen, telephone, visitation and property as they were afforded prior to reporting.

- Within 3 business days of the offender victim's release from restrictive housing for administrative purposes, the Warden or designee will return the offender victim to the gain time job assignment the offender victim had prior to period of restrictive housing for administrative purposes, if available. If, for operational reasons, the offender victim's prior job assignment is unavailable, the Warden or designee will place the offender victim in another gain time job assignment that is at least equal to the prior gain time job assignment.

- The Warden or designee will notify the Region Director in writing, that the offender victim has either been returned to prior job assignment or placed in equivalent one.

- Within three business days of the receipt of the written notification from the Warden or designee, the Region Director, or their designee will request in writing to the Director of Rehabilitative Services that the offender victim's gain time be restored.

· When offender victim is released from restrictive housing, whenever possible shall be allowed to return to previously assigned housing unit unless, in the discretion of the Warden, doing so exposes the offender to an increased risk to the offender victim's safety and security or the orderly operation of the facility."

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility's' policy requires that if the first staff responder is not a security staff member, that responder shall be required to request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence and notify security staff. Of the allegations that an inmate was sexually abused made in the past 12 months, the number of times a non-security staff member was the first responder was zero.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 22, section (3) First Responder, (B) states, "If the first staff responder is not a security staff member, the responder shall be required to request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, and then notify security staff."

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.65	Coordinated response
	<p>Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard</p> <hr/> <p>Auditor Discussion</p> <p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ <li>2. Lincoln Correctional Center PREA Sexual Abuse Coordinated Response Plan, dated 2.28.2023 <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Correctional Officers <li>2. Correctional Program Supervisor / PREA Compliance Manager <li>3. Administrative Staff <p>Interviews with the Correctional Officers and Administrative staff demonstrated the response to allegations is written to coordinate actions taken in response to sexual abuse and sexual harassment incidents.</p> <p>Site Observation:</p> <p>Review of the agency policy for allegations demonstrates clear direction is provided to staff to ensure first responder duties are fulfilled.</p> <p>(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility developed a written institutional plan to coordinate actions taken in response to an incident of sexual abuse among staff first responders, medical and mental health practitioners, investigators, and facility leadership.</p> <p>Lincoln Correctional Center PREA Sexual Abuse Coordinated Response Plan includes instruction for the following departments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· First Responder Duties <li>· Medical <li>· Investigations <li>· PREA Compliance Manager

- PREA Support Person
- Sexual Abuse Response Team
- Mental Health and Aftercare
- Documents and Forms

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.66	Preservation of ability to protect inmates from contact with abusers
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ <p>(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency, facility, or any other governmental entity responsible for collective bargaining on the agency’s behalf has not entered into or renewed any collective bargaining agreement or other agreement since August 20, 2012, or since the last PREA audit, whichever is later.</p> <p>Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.</p>

115.67 Agency protection against retaliation

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022
3. NCDOS Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Offender/Juvenile Retaliation Monitoring and Period Status Checks Form OPA-124, dated 1.5.2016

Interviews:

1. Case Manager / PREA Support Person

The interview with the Case Manager demonstrated he would initiate contact with the victim upon receipt of a sexual abuse allegation and explain the retaliation monitoring processes. The Case Manager stated he would then conduct periodic documented checks every 30 days, up to 90 days, with the victim.

Site Observation:

At the time of the onsite review, one targeted inmate was on retaliation monitoring. Documentation demonstrated the Case Manager had checked in with and documented periodic checks, twice in 60 days.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has a policy to protect all inmates and staff who report sexual abuse or sexual harassment or cooperate with sexual abuse or sexual harassment investigations from retaliation by other inmates or staff. The agency designates staff member(s) or charges department(s) with monitoring for possible retaliation. The facility designates the PREA Support Personnel for retaliation monitoring.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 31, section (g)(1) -(2), state, "RETALIATION: Retaliation against staff or offenders making an allegation of offender sexual abuse or sexual harassment is prohibited.

(1) Offender monitoring – see section .3406 (f)5 victim support.

(2) Staff monitoring – see section .3406 (f)6 PREA compliance manager.”

The facility provided an NCDOS Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Offender/Juvenile Retaliation Monitoring and Period Status Checks Form OPA-124. This form states, “periodic status checks are required.” “Note: It is recommended that periodic status checks be documented in this section at a minimum of every 30 days.” The form provides an area to include the date, comments and PSP Initials, signs of retaliation, yes or no and any additional comments.

(b) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 24, section (I)(v), states, “Continue monitoring for a minimum of 90 days or beyond 90 days if the initial monitoring indicates a continuing need.”

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility monitors the conduct or treatment of inmates or staff who reported sexual abuse and of inmates who were reported to have suffered sexual abuse to see if there are any changes that may suggest possible retaliation by inmates or staff. The length of time that the facility monitors the conduct of treatment is 90 days. The facility acts promptly to remedy any such retaliation. The agency/facility continues such monitoring beyond 90 days if the initial monitoring indicates a continuing need. In the past 12 months, the facility has had zero incidents of retaliation.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 24, section (I)(i)(ii), state,

i. “Upon notification of a Sexual Abuse or Sexual Harassment allegation the PSP will initiate monitoring the alleged victim and offender who reported the allegation or cooperated with officials during the investigation.

ii. The PSP shall monitor retaliation against the victim and the offender who either report allegations, or cooperate with investigations, of sexual abuse or sexual harassment.”

(e) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 22, section (I) Monitor for Retaliation, (ii), states, “In the case of offenders, such monitoring shall also include periodic status checks.”

(f) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and

Sexual Harassment Policy, page 24, section (I) Monitor for Retaliation, (v), states,
“Termination of monitoring prior to minimum of 90 days requires:

I. Allegation to be determined unfounded

II. Approval by Warden”

Through such reviews the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.68 Post-allegation protective custody

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022

Interviews:

1. Sergeant I

The interview with the Sergeant I demonstrated the facility does not utilize protective custody for any length of time but would hold aggressors in time limited cells until they could be moved to another dorm or placed in another facility.

Site Observation:

During the tour of the facility holding cells were observed; however, no inmates or staff were seen in this area.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has a policy prohibiting the placement of inmates who allege to have suffered sexual abuse in involuntary segregated housing unless an assessment of all available alternatives has been made and a determination has been made that there is no available alternative means of separation from likely abusers. The number of inmates who allege to have suffered sexual abuse who were held in involuntary segregated housing in the past 12 months for one to 24 hours awaiting completion of assessment was zero.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 27, section (7)(A)(5) states, "Alleged offender abuser - A determination shall be made, based upon the amount of time that has passed since the alleged incident and the possibility of evidence still existing, as to whether the alleged offender abuser, if known, should be placed in a restrictive housing cell to preserve forensic evidence. If an offender is placed in a restrictive housing cell for purposes of preserving forensic evidence, the offender shall be strip searched in accordance with the policies set forth in section F.0100, et seq. of Prisons Policy and Procedure Manual and all possessions taken from him or her and a paper gown

issued.”

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.71 Criminal and administrative agency investigations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022

Interviews:

1. Targeted Inmates
2. Sergeant I / Investigator

The interview with the Sergeant I demonstrated he had completed specialized investigator training for investigators. The investigator clearly articulated processes required during an investigation, to include making notifications to administration, medical and law enforcement if necessary gathering statements, first interviewing the victim, interviewing the aggressor in the time limited cell, witnesses, review video footage, look at the area in question, and review policies.

Site Observation:

Review of the two administrative investigation demonstrated each were completed within 45 days of the report of the allegation.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency/facility has a policy related to criminal and administrative agency investigations.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 27, section (7) Investigations (A)(i) states, "I Investigations into allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, shall be conducted promptly, thoroughly, and objectively for all allegations, including third-party and anonymous reports."

(b) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 9, section (c) Specialized Training, (1) (A-B), states,

"Investigators: Sexual Abuse and Harassment

A. Shall complete appropriate employee training defined in section .3406(a).

B. Shall receive training on conducting sexual abuse and harassment investigations in a confinement setting. Such training shall include:

(i) Techniques for interviewing sexual abuse victims;

(ii) Proper use of Miranda and Garrity Warnings;

(iii) Sexual abuse evidence collection in a confinement setting; and

(iv) Criteria and evidence required to substantiate a case for administrative action or prosecution referral."

(c) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 28, section (viii), states, "Investigators shall gather and preserve direct and circumstantial evidence, including any available physical and DNA evidence and any available electronic monitoring data including video and/or audio recordings; shall interview alleged victims, suspected perpetrators, and witnesses."

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 29, section (x), states, "Review prior complaints and reports of sexual abuse involving the suspected perpetrator, included in the incident package and considered when determining credibility of the allegations."

(d) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 29, section (x), states, "When the quality of evidence appears to support criminal prosecution, the Department of Public Safety sexual abuse and harassment investigators shall only be permitted to continue interviews after consulting with local law enforcement agency as to whether interviews may be an obstacle for subsequent criminal prosecution."

(e) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 29-30, section (xii), states, "When the quality of evidence appears to support criminal prosecution, the Department of Public Safety sexual abuse and harassment investigators shall only be permitted to continue interviews after consulting with local law enforcement agency as to whether interviews may be an obstacle for subsequent criminal prosecution examination or other truth-telling device as a condition for proceeding with the investigation of such an allegation."

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 30, section (xiv), states, "Shall be documented in written reports that include a description of the physical and testimonial evidence, the reasoning behind credibility assessments, and investigative facts and findings. Substantiated allegations of conduct that appears to be criminal shall be referred for prosecution."

(f) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 30, section (xiii), states, "Shall include an effort to determine whether staff actions or failures to act contributed to the abuse."

(g) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 30, section (xiv), states, "Shall be documented in written reports that include a description of the physical and testimonial evidence, the reasoning behind credibility assessments, and investigative facts and findings. Substantiated allegations of conduct that appears to be criminal shall be referred for prosecution."

(h) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states there has been zero allegations of conduct that appears to be criminal that was referred for prosecution, since the last audit date.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 31, section (C)(i), states, "Substantiated allegations of conduct that appears to be criminal shall be referred for prosecution."

(i) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency retains all written reports pertaining to administrative or criminal investigation of alleged sexual abuse or sexual harassment for as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or employed by the agency, plus five years.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 33, section (J)(1), states, "Substantiated allegations of conduct that appears to be criminal shall be referred for prosecution."

(j) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 29, section (xvi), states, "The departure of the alleged abuser or victim from the employment or control of the facility or agency shall not provide a basis for terminating an investigation."

(l) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 29, section (xvii), states, "When outside agencies investigate sexual abuse, the facility shall cooperate with outside investigators and shall endeavor to remain informed about the progress of the investigation."

Through such reviews the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.72	<p>Evidentiary standard for administrative investigations</p> <p>Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard</p> <p>Auditor Discussion</p> <p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ 2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022 <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sergeant I / Investigator <p>The interview with the investigator demonstrated the facility shall impose no standard higher than a preponderance of the evidence in determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated.</p> <p>(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency imposes a standard of a preponderance of the evidence or a lower standard of proof for determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated.</p> <p>NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 3, section (t)(4) "The agency shall impose no standard higher than a preponderance of evidence in determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated, §115.72 of the national standards."</p> <p>Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.</p>
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115.73 Reporting to inmates

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022
3. NCDPS PREA Support Services Status Notification, dated 1.1.2023
4. PREA Incident Detail Report

Interviews:

1. Sergeant I / Investigator

The interview with the investigator demonstrated notification requirements to victims are given verbally and in writing. Documentation of notifications are documented on an Inmate Notification Form.

Site Observation:

The one sexual abuse investigation reviewed by utilizing the PREA Audit Adult Prison & Jails Documentation Review Investigation demonstrated the one sexual abuse allegation was unfounded and notification to the victim was not required.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has a policy requiring that any inmate who makes an allegation that he or she suffered sexual abuse in an agency facility is informed, verbally or in writing, as to whether the allegation has been determined to be substantiated, unsubstantiated, or unfounded following an investigation by the agency. The number of criminal and/or administrative investigations of alleged inmate sexual abuse that were completed by the agency/facility in the past 12 months was six. Of the alleged sexual abuse investigations that were completed in the past 12 months, the number of inmates who were notified, verbally or in writing, of the results of the investigations was six.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 24, section (J)(i), states, "Following an investigation into an offender's allegation that he or she suffered sexual abuse in a facility, the PSP shall

inform the offender as to whether the allegation has been determined to be substantiated, unsubstantiated, or unfounded. Notification shall be documented on Form OPA-I30 Support Services.”

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states If an outside entity conducts such investigations, the agency requests the relevant information from the investigative entity in order to inform the Inmate as to the outcome of the investigation. The number of investigations of alleged inmate sexual abuse in the facility that were completed by an outside agency in the past 12 months was zero.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 24-25, section (J)(ii), states, “If the Department of Public Safety did not conduct the investigation, the PSP shall request, through the chain of command, the relevant information from the investigative agency in order to inform the offender.”

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states following an inmate’s allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the inmate, the agency/facility subsequently informs the Inmate (unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded) whenever:

- The staff member is no longer posted within the Inmate’s unit;
- The staff member is no longer employed at the facility;
- The agency learns that the staff member has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility; or
- The agency learns that the staff member has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility.”

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 25, section (J)(iii), states, “Following an offender’s allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the offender, the PSP shall subsequently inform the offender (unless the allegation is unfounded) whenever:

- The staff member is no longer posted within the offender’s unit;
- The staff member is no longer employed at the facility;
- The agency learns that the staff member has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility; or

- The agency learns that the staff member has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility.

Notification shall be documented on Form OPA-I30A PREA Support Person Services.”

The facility provided a PREA Incident Report demonstrating one staff who have been involved in a sexual harassment allegation and two staff who have been involved in a sexual abuse allegation, in the past 12 months.

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states following an inmate’s allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another Inmate in an agency facility, the agency subsequently informs the alleged victim whenever: the agency learns that the alleged abuser has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility; or the agency learns that the alleged abuser has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility. Policy compliance can be found in provision (c) of this standard.

(e) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency has a policy that all notifications to inmates described under this standard are documented. In the past 12 months, there has been six notifications to an inmate, pursuant to this standard. Of those notifications, in the past 12 months, six notifications were documented.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 26, section (J)(v), states, “All such notifications or attempted notifications shall be documented.”

The facility provided a NCDPS PREA Support Services Status Notification. The notification documents the following:

Note, the OPA-I30A Support Services form is used to document the following:

Staff

- The staff member is temporarily reassigned away from the alleged victim’s housing until
- The staff member is no longer posted within the alleged victims housing unit.
- The staff member is no longer employed at the facility.

· NCDPS has learned that the staff member has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility.

· NCDPS has learned that the staff member has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility.

Offender/Juvenile

· The alleged abuser has been temporarily reassigned away from the alleged victims housing unit.

· NCDPS has learned the alleged abuser has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility

· NCDPS has learned that the alleged abuser has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility.

The notification is signed and dated by the alleged victim and PREA Support Person.

(e) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 25, section (J)(vi), states, "Obligation to report shall terminate if the offender is released from NC Department of Public Safety custody."

Through such reviews the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.76	Disciplinary sanctions for staff
	<p>Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard</p> <hr/> <p>Auditor Discussion</p> <p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ 2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022 <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Warden <p>Interview with the Warden demonstrated employees alleged to participate in sexual harassment or sexual abuse would be transferred or reassigned until an investigation is completed. Employees would then be disciplined in accordance with agency policy and procedures.</p> <p>Site Observation:</p> <p>In the last 12 months, the facility had zero staff who was disciplined for violation of an agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policy.</p> <p>(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states staff is subject to disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies.</p> <p>NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 31, section (h)(2)(A), states, "Staff shall be subject to disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies."</p> <p>(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states in the last 12 months, there has been one staff from the facility that had violated agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies.</p>

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 32, section (h)(2)(B), states, "Termination shall be the presumptive disciplinary sanction for staff who have engaged in sexual abuse."

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states disciplinary sanctions for violations of agency policies relating to sexual abuse or sexual harassment (other than actually engaging in sexual abuse) are 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. In the past 12 months, the number of staff from the facility who have been disciplined, short of termination, for violation of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies (other than actually engaging in sexual abuse) is zero.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 32, section (h)(2)(C), states, "Disciplinary sanctions for violations of agency policies relating to sexual abuse or sexual harassment (other than actually engaging in sexual abuse) shall be commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the acts committed, the staff member's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other staff with similar histories."

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states 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, are reported to law enforcement agencies, unless the activity was clearly not criminal, and to any relevant licensing bodies. In the past 12 months, zero staff have been terminated for sexual abuse or harassment.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 32, section (h)(2)(D), states, "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, shall be reported to law enforcement agencies, unless the activity was clearly not criminal, and to any relevant licensing bodies."

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.77 Corrective action for contractors and volunteers

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022

Interviews:

1. Warden

The interview with the Warden demonstrated any volunteer or contractor who engaged in sexual abuse would be removed from the facility, reported to law enforcement and any applicable licensing entities.

Site Observation:

During the last audit cycle, the facility did not have any volunteers or contractors subject to disciplinary action due to violating sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states agency policy requires that any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse be reported to law enforcement agencies, unless the activity was clearly not criminal, and to relevant licensing bodies. agency policy requires that any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse be prohibited from contact with Inmates. In the past 12 months, there have been zero contractors or volunteers reported to law enforcement or relevant licensing bodies for engaging in sexual abuse of inmates.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 32, section (3)(A), states, "Any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse shall be immediately prohibited from contact with offenders and shall be reported to law enforcement agencies, unless the activity was clearly not criminal, and to relevant licensing bodies.

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility takes appropriate remedial

measures and considers whether to prohibit further contact with Inmates in the case of any other violation of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies by a contractor or volunteer.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 32, section (3) (B-C), states,

B. "Appropriate remedial measures shall be considered whether to prohibit further contact with offenders in the case of any other violation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies.

C. If an allegation of sexual abuse is which a volunteer or contracting agent is the alleged abuser is substantiated the volunteer or contracting agent shall be terminated from the relationship with NCDPS."

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.78	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates
	<p>Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard</p> <hr/> <p>Auditor Discussion</p> <p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ <li>2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022 <li>3. NCDPS Policy and Procedure Chapter B .0300 Offender Conduct Rules, dated 12.14.2021 <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Warden <p>The interview with the Warden demonstrated residents would be disciplined through the agency disciplinary process.</p> <p>(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states inmates are subject to disciplinary sanctions only pursuant to a formal disciplinary process following a criminal finding of guilt for inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse. Inmates are subject to disciplinary sanctions only pursuant to a formal disciplinary process following a criminal finding of guilt for inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse. In the past 12 months there have been zero administrative findings of inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse. In the past 12 months there have zero criminal findings of guilt for inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse.</p> <p>NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 32, section (4)(A), states, "Shall be subject to disciplinary sanctions pursuant to formal disciplinary process following an administrative finding that the offender engaged in offender-on-offender sexual abuse or following a criminal finding of guilt for offender-on-offender sexual abuse."</p> <p>(b) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 32, section (4)(B), states, "Sanctions shall be commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the abuse committed, the offender's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other offenders with similar histories."</p>

(c) NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 31, section (4)(C), states, "The disciplinary process shall consider whether an offender's mental disabilities or mental illness contributed to his or her behavior when determining what type of sanction, if any, should be imposed."

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility offers therapy, counseling, or other interventions designed to address and correct the underlying reasons or motivations for abuse. The facility offers therapy, counseling, or other interventions designed to address and correct the underlying reasons or motivations for abuse, the facility considers whether to require the offending inmate to participate in such interventions as a condition of access to programming or other benefits.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 33, section (4) (D), states, "A mental health evaluation shall be conducted after a substantiated incident and the offender shall be offered treatment when deemed appropriate by mental health practitioners. If the facility offers therapy, counseling, or other interventions designed to address and correct underlying reasons or motivations for the abuse, the facility shall consider whether to require the offending offender to participate in such interventions as a condition of access to programming or other benefits."

(e) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency disciplines inmates for sexual contact with staff only upon finding that the staff member did not consent to such contact.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 33, section (4)(F), states, "The agency may not discipline an offender victim for sexual contact with staff unless a finding that the staff member did not consent to such contact."

(f) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency prohibits disciplinary action for a report of sexual abuse made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief that the alleged conduct occurred, even if an investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 33, section (4)(E), states, "For the purpose of disciplinary

action, a report of sexual abuse made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief that the alleged conduct occurred shall not constitute falsely reporting an incident or lying, even if an investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation.”

(g) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency prohibits all sexual activity between inmates. If the agency prohibits all sexual activity between inmates and disciplines inmates for such activity, the agency deems such activity to constitute sexual abuse only if it determines that the activity is coerced.

NCDPS Policy and Procedure Chapter B .0300 Offender Conduct Rules, page 4, section (n), states, “Sexual Misconduct. Committing, soliciting, or inciting others to commit a sexual act will be subject to disciplinary action.”

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.81	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sexual abuse
	<p>Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard</p> <hr/> <p>Auditor Discussion</p> <p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ 2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022 3. Mental Health Referral Sample <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Registered Nurse 2. Western Region Mental Health Licensed Psychological Associate 3. PREA Program Analyst / PREA Coordinator <p>Interviews with mental health staff demonstrated disclosure reports are automatically flagged in the OPUS system and forwarded to mental health staff, which are typically responded to in five days of each disclosure. At the time of the onsite review the facility did not have any inmates who had disclosed prior sexual abuse or sexual perpetration against another individual.</p> <p>(a, c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states all Inmates at this facility who have disclosed any prior sexual victimization during a screening pursuant to §115.341 are offered a follow-up meeting with a medical or mental health practitioner. Follow up meetings are offered within 14 days of the intake screening. In the past 12 months one offender, 100 percent disclosed prior victimization during the intake screening. Medical and mental health staff maintain secondary materials, documenting compliance with the above required services.</p> <p>NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 13, section (2)(A), states, "If the screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness indicates that a prison offender has experienced prior sexual victimization, whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, staff shall ensure that the offender is offered a follow-up meeting with a medical or mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening."</p>

The facility provided a MH PREA Documentation for Offenders, which demonstrates the following is documented.

1. Offender name/number
2. Mental Health professional name
3. Date of referral for offender
4. Visit notes
5. Date of visit - (within 14 days of referral)

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states all Inmates who have previously perpetrated sexual abuse, as indicated during the screening pursuant to § 115.41, are offered a follow-up meeting with a mental health practitioner. All Inmates are allowed a follow-up meeting offered within 14 days of the intake screening. In the past 12 months, one offender, 100 percent of inmates who perpetrated sexual abuse were offered a follow up meeting with a mental health practitioner.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 14, section (2)(B), states, "If the screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness indicates that a prison offender has previously perpetrated sexual abuse, whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, staff shall ensure that the offender is offered a follow-up meeting with a mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening."

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states, Information related to sexual victimization or abusiveness that occurred in an institutional setting is strictly limited to medical and mental health practitioners.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 14, section (2)(C), states, "Any information related to sexual victimization or abusiveness that occurred in an institutional setting shall be strictly limited to medical and mental health practitioners and other staff, as necessary, to inform treatment plans and security and management decisions, including housing, bed, work, education, and program assignments, or as otherwise required by Federal, State, or local law."

(e) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states, Medical and mental health practitioners do not obtain informed consent from inmates before reporting

information about prior sexual victimization that did not occur in an institution setting unless the inmate is under the age of 18.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 14, section (2)(D), states, "Medical and mental health practitioners shall obtain informed consent from offenders before reporting information about prior sexual victimization that did not occur in an institutional setting, unless the offender is under the age of 18."

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.82	Access to emergency medical and mental health services
	<p>Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard</p> <hr/> <p>Auditor Discussion</p> <p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ 2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022 3. NCDPS Health Services Policy & Procedures Manual Administrative Managed Care, dated 1.2016 4. G.S. 143B-1200 Part 7. Office of External Affairs, not dated <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Registered Nurse 2. Western Region Mental Health Licensed Psychological Associate <p>Interviews with medical and mental health staff demonstrated each are aware of access to emergency medical and mental health services upon receipt of an allegation of sexual abuse. The mental health Psychologist stated he is not specifically trained in sexual abuse; however, he would align the victim with a trained mental health professional.</p> <p>Site Observation:</p> <p>The facility has not experienced the need for emergency medical and or mental health services in the past 12 months.</p> <p>(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states Inmate victims of sexual abuse receive timely, unimpeded access to emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services. The nature and scope of such services are determined by medical and mental health practitioners according to their professional judgment. Medical and mental health staff maintain secondary materials (e.g., form, log) documenting the timeliness of emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services that were provided; the appropriate response by non-health staff in the event health staff are not present at the time the incident is reported; and the provision of appropriate and timely information and services concerning contraception and sexually transmitted infection prophylaxis.</p>

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 20, section (4) (a-b), state, “

A. “If an alleged act of sexual abuse has occurred and there may be forensic medical evidence, the offender may need medical assistance, or other circumstances dictate, arrangements shall be promptly made to have the alleged offender-victim examined by medical services.

B. Medical Services will follow medical protocol, which includes provisions for examination, documentation and transport to the local emergency department when appropriate, where the following will occur: collection of forensic evidence, testing for sexually transmitted diseases, counseling, and prophylactic treatment. Medical Services will ensure that the offender receives medical follow-up and is offered a referral for mental health services.”

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states inmate If no qualified medical or mental health practitioners are on duty at the time a report of recent abuse is made, security staff first responders shall take preliminary steps to protect the victim pursuant to § 115.62 and shall immediately notify the appropriate medical and mental health practitioners.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 27, section (7)(a)(iv), states, “If an alleged act of sexual abuse or sexual harassment is reported or discovered, an immediate preliminary review shall be conducted to determine if the incident meets the standards of PREA.”

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states inmate victims of sexual abuse while incarcerated are offered timely information about and timely access to emergency contraception and sexually transmitted infections prophylaxis, in accordance with professionally accepted standards of care, where medically appropriate. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states treatment services are provided to every victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident.

G.S. 143B-1200 Part 7. Office of External Affairs, page 1, section (c), states, “No Billing of Victim. - A medical facility or medical professional that performs a forensic medical examination shall accept payment made under this section as payment in full

of the amount owed for the cost of the examination and other eligible expenses and shall not bill victims, their personal insurance, Medicaid, Medicare, or any other collateral source for the examination. Furthermore, a medical facility or medical professional shall not seek reimbursement from the Program after one year from the date of the examination.”

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.83	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>Document Review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ 2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022 3. NCDPS Health Services Policy & Procedure Manual Policy #CP-18, dated 2.2014 4. NCDPS Health Services Policy & Procedure, Section Clinical Practice Guidelines #CP-18, dated 2.2014 5. G.S. 143B-1200 Part 7. Office of External Affairs, not dated <p>Interviews:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Registered Nurse 2. Western Region Mental Health Licensed Psychological Associate <p>Interviews with medical and mental health staff demonstrated a continuum of medical and mental health treatment would continue after allegations of sexual abuse. The Registered Nurse stated she would consult with the attending physician when creating and evaluation or providing medical care once returned from a hospital attending physician. As stated previously, the mental health Psychologist stated he is not specifically trained in sexual abuse; however, he would align the victim with a trained mental health professional.</p> <p>On Site Observation:</p> <p>The facility has not experienced the need for emergency medical and or mental health services in the past 12 months.</p> <p>(a-b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility offers medical and mental health evaluation and, as appropriate, treatment to all Inmates who have been victimized by sexual abuse in any prison, jail, lockup, or juvenile facility.</p>

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 33, section (4)(D), states, "A mental health evaluation shall be conducted after a substantiated incident and the offender shall be offered treatment when deemed appropriate by mental health practitioners. If the facility offers therapy, counseling, or other interventions designed to address and correct underlying reasons or motivations for the abuse, the facility shall consider whether to require the offending offender to participate in such interventions as a condition of access to programming or other benefits."

NCDPS Health Services Policy & Procedure, Section Clinical Practice Guidelines #CP-18, page 1, section B. 2, states, "The nurse's exam will be documented in the medical record using the DC-387D "Use of Force / Trauma Assessment Form;" and DC-387 "Chronological Record of Health Care Inpatient / Outpatient Notes" if additional space is needed."

(c) Per NCDPS Health Services Policy & Procedure Manual Policy #CP-18, the facility provides victims with medical and mental health services consistent with the community level of care.

(d) This provision is not applicable as the Lincoln Correctional Institution does not house females.

(e) This provision is not applicable as the Lincoln Correctional Institution does not house females.

(f) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states inmate victims of sexual abuse while incarcerated are offered tests for sexually transmitted infections as medically appropriate.

NCDPS Health Services Policy & Procedure Manual Policy #CP-18, page 2, section H. 2, states, "For sexual abuse reported within 72 hours, consideration of post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) for HIV, chlamydia, gonorrhea trichomonas and bacterial vaginosis, will be based on current CDC guidelines."

(g) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states treatment services are 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.

G.S. 143B-1200 Part 7. Office of External Affairs, page 1, section (c), states, “No Billing of Victim. – A medical facility or medical professional that performs a forensic medical examination shall accept payment made under this section as payment in full of the amount owed for the cost of the examination and other eligible expenses and shall not bill victims, their personal insurance, Medicaid, Medicare, or any other collateral source for the examination. Furthermore, a medical facility or medical professional shall not seek reimbursement from the Program after one year from the date of the examination.”

(h) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states they attempt to conduct a mental health evaluation of all known inmate-on-inmate abusers within 60 days of learning of such abuse history and offers treatment when deemed appropriate by mental health practitioners.

NCDPS Health Services Policy & Procedure, Section Clinical Practice Guidelines, page 4, section 5. F., states, “Once an investigation has been completed and an inmate has been determined to be an inmate-on-inmate abuser, within 60 days, a mental health clinician will attempt to conduct an evaluation and offer treatment when deemed appropriate.

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.86 Sexual abuse incident reviews

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022
3. NCDPS Post Incident Review, dated 1.1.2023

Interviews:

1. Correctional Program Supervisor / PREA Compliance Manager
2. Warden

The team on-site were aware of the requirements to document and safeguard investigations of sexual abuse.

Site Observation:

The facility did not have any unsubstantiated or substantiated investigations of sexual abuse.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility conducts a sexual abuse incident review at the conclusion of every criminal or administrative sexual abuse investigation, unless the allegation has been determined to be unfounded. In the past 12 months there has been one investigations of alleged sexual abuse completed within in 30 days.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 26, section (B)(i), states, "A PIR shall be completed for all substantiated and unsubstantiated allegations of sexual abuse, and documented on Form OPA-I10 Post Incident Review (PIR)."

The facility provided an NCDPS Post Incident Review. The review documents the following information.

- Facility
- Incident date / Incident #
- Investigation Completion Date / Validity (outcome)
- Did the allegation or investigation indicate a need to change policy or practice to better prevent, detect, or respond to sexual abuse?
- Was the incident or allegation motivated by the following?
 - o Race
 - o Gender identity
 - o Ethnicity
 - o Gang Affiliation
 - o Actual Status
 - o Perceived Status
 - o LGBTI
 - o Other Group Dynamics
- During the assessment of the area where the incident allegedly occurred, were there any physical barriers that may have enabled sexual abuse?
- Are staffing levels in that area adequate during different shifts?
- Based upon assessment, should additional monitoring technology be deployed or augmented to supplement supervision by staff?
- Additional comments and/or actions taken?
- Sexual Abuse Review Team Members
- Completed by signature and date
- Reviewed and approved by signature and date

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states sexual abuse incident reviews are ordinarily conducted within 30 days of concluding the criminal or administrative investigation. In the past 12 months, the number of criminal and/or administrative investigations of alleged sexual abuse completed at the facility that were followed by a sexual abuse incident review within 30 days, excluding only “unfounded” incidents were zero.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 26, section (B)(iv), states, "The PIR shall be completed by the facility within 30 days of the conclusion of the sexual abuse investigation."

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the sexual abuse incident review team includes upper-level management officials and allows for input from line supervisors, investigators, and medical or mental health practitioners.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 26, section B. (ii), states, "The PIR is completed with input from upper-level management officials, investigators, and medical or mental health practitioners."

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the facility prepares a report of its findings from sexual abuse incident reviews, including but not necessarily limited to determinations made pursuant to paragraphs (d)(1) -(d)(5) of this section, and any recommendations for improvement and submits such report to the facility head and PREA Compliance Manager.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 26-27, section (B)(iii), states, "The review team shall consider whether the allegation or investigation indicates a need to change policy or practice to better prevent, detect, or respond to sexual abuse; consider whether the incident or allegation was motivated by race; ethnicity; gender identity; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex identification, status or perceived status; or gang affiliation; or motivated or otherwise caused by other group dynamics in the facility; examine the area in the facility where the incident allegedly occurred to assess whether physical barriers in the area may enable abuse; assess the adequacy of staffing levels in that area during the different shifts; and assess whether monitoring technology should be deployed or augmented to supplement supervision by staff and prepare a report of its findings pursuant to standards, and any recommendations for improvement. Submit such reports to the Warden and PREA compliance manager."

(e) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states, the facility implements the recommendations for improvement or documents its reasons for not doing so. Policy compliance can be found in provision (d) of this standard.

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.87 Data collection

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022

Interviews:

1. PREA Director / Head of Agency

The interview with the PREA Director demonstrated the agency reviews all incident reports of sexual harassment and sexual abuse, staff and inmates involved in allegations, compile year end reports, and investigations referred for criminal prosecution and look for common trends. The agency focuses on areas to address in the past year and identifies areas needing corrective action.

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency collects accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse at facilities under its direct control using a standardized instrument and set of definitions.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 33, section (j) (1-3), state,

(1) "All written investigation reports will be retained as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or employed by the agency, plus five years; or sexual abuse data collected for at least 10 years after the date of the initial collection unless Federal, State, or local law requires otherwise, whichever is greater (5-ACI-3D-16).

(2) Accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse shall be documented in OPUS by all facilities.

(3) Ensure that data is securely retained."

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency aggregates the incident-based sexual abuse data at least annually.

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the standardized instrument includes, at a minimum, the data necessary to answer all questions from the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence (SSV) conducted by the Department of Justice.

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency maintains, reviews, and collects data as needed from all available incident-based documents, including reports, investigation files, and sexual abuse incident reviews. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

(e) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency does not obtains incident-based and aggregated data from every private facility with which it contracts for the confinement of its inmates as the agency does not have private contracts.

(f) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the Department of Justice has not requested agency data for the previous calendar year.

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.88 Data review for corrective action

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022
3. NCDPS Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003 Sexual Abuse Annual Report 2021

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency reviews data collected and aggregated pursuant to §115.87 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, and training, including:

- Identifying problem areas;
- Taking corrective action on an ongoing basis; and
- Preparing an annual report of its findings from its data review and any corrective actions for each facility, as well as the agency as a whole.

The facility provided the NCDPS Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003 Sexual Abuse Annual Report 2021. The report demonstrates the following information is documented in the annual report.

- Overview: North Carolina Department of Public Safety
- Division of Adult Correction (DAC)
- Adult Correction
- Juvenile Justice
- Departmental Accomplishments
- Definitions Related to Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment
- Sexual Abuse
- Sexual Harassment
- Comparative Data

- 2021: The Department's Year in Review
- 2021 Adult Correction Facilities: Substantiated Sexual Abuse Cases with Corrective Actions
- 2021 Juvenile Justice Facilities: Substantiated Sexual Abuse Cases with Corrective Actions
- 2020: The Department's Year in Review
- 2020 Juvenile Justice Facilities: Substantiated Sexual Abuse Cases with Corrective Actions
- 2020 Adult Correction Facilities: Substantiated Sexual Abuse Cases with Corrective Actions
- Comparison Charts for Years 2020-2021
- Victim Data Overview
- Audit Findings
- Conclusion
- Agency Information

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the annual report includes a comparison of the current year's data and corrective actions to those from prior years. The annual report provides an assessment of the agency's progress in addressing sexual abuse.

(c) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency makes its annual report readily available to the public, at least annually, through its website. Annual reports are approved by the agency head. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

Annual reports from 2015 through 2021 are available at <https://www.ncdps.gov/dps-services/prison-rape-elimination-act>

(d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states when the agency redacts material from an annual report for publication, the redactions are limited to specific materials where publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of the facility. The agency indicates the nature of material redacted.

	<p>Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.</p>
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115.89 Data storage, publication, and destruction

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

1. Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ
2. NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, dated 6.9.2022

(a) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states the agency ensures that incident-based and aggregate data are securely retained.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 33, section (j)(1), states, "All written investigation reports will be retained as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or employed by the agency, plus five years; or sexual abuse data collected for at least 10 years after the date of the initial collection unless Federal, State, or local law requires otherwise, whichever is greater."

(b) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states agency policy requires that aggregated sexual abuse data from facilities under its direct control and private facilities with which it contracts be made readily available to the public at least annually through its website.

NCDPS Prisons Policy & Procedures, Section F.3400 Offender Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Policy, page 32, section (j) Record Retention and Data Collection, (2)(D), states, "The agency also shall obtain incident-based and aggregated data from every private facility with which it contracts for the confinement of its offenders."

(c-d) The Lincoln Correctional Center PAQ states before making aggregated sexual abuse data publicly available, the agency removes all personal identifiers. The agency maintains sexual abuse data collected pursuant to §115.87 for at least 10 years after the date of initial collection, unless federal, state, or local law requires otherwise. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.401	Frequency and scope of audits
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	<p>(a) During the prior three-year audit period, the agency ensured that each facility operated was audited, once.</p> <p>(b) This is the fourth audit cycle for Lincoln Correctional Institution and the first year of the fourth audit cycle.</p> <p>(h) The Auditor was granted complete access to, and the ability to observe, all areas of the facility.</p> <p>(i) The Auditor was permitted to request and receive copies of any relevant documents (including electronically stored information).</p> <p>(m) The Auditor was permitted to conduct private interviews with residents.</p> <p>(n) Residents permitted to send confidential information or correspondence to the Auditor in the same manner as if they were communicating with legal counsel.</p> <p>Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.</p>

115.403	Audit contents and findings
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	(b) The agency has posted the current 2019 PREA audit report, on their website. Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

Appendix: Provision Findings		
115.11 (a)	Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator	
	Does the agency have a written policy mandating zero tolerance toward all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the written policy outline the agency's approach to preventing, detecting, and responding to sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
115.11 (b)	Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator	
	Has the agency employed or designated an agency-wide PREA Coordinator?	yes
	Is the PREA Coordinator position in the upper-level of the agency hierarchy?	yes
	Does the PREA Coordinator have sufficient time and authority to develop, implement, and oversee agency efforts to comply with the PREA standards in all of its facilities?	yes
115.11 (c)	Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator	
	If this agency operates more than one facility, has each facility designated a PREA compliance manager? (N/A if agency operates only one facility.)	yes
	Does the PREA compliance manager have sufficient time and authority to coordinate the facility's efforts to comply with the PREA standards? (N/A if agency operates only one facility.)	yes
115.12 (a)	Contracting with other entities for the confinement of inmates	
	If this agency is public and it contracts for the confinement of its inmates 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 inmates.)	na

115.12 (b)	Contracting with other entities for the confinement of inmates	
	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 inmates.)	na

115.13 (a)	Supervision and monitoring	
	Does the facility have a documented staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing and, where applicable, video monitoring, to protect inmates against sexual abuse?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Generally accepted detention and correctional practices?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any judicial findings of inadequacy?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any findings of inadequacy from Federal investigative agencies?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any findings of inadequacy from internal or external oversight bodies?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: All components of the facility's physical plant (including "blind-spots" or areas where staff or inmates may be isolated)?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: The composition of the inmate population?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: The number and placement of supervisory staff?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: The institution programs occurring on a particular shift?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any applicable State or local laws, regulations, or standards?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need	yes

	for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: The prevalence of substantiated and unsubstantiated incidents of sexual abuse?	
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any other relevant factors?	yes
115.13 (b)	Supervision and monitoring	
	In circumstances where the staffing plan is not complied with, does the facility document and justify all deviations from the plan? (N/A if no deviations from staffing plan.)	na
115.13 (c)	Supervision and monitoring	
	In the past 12 months, has the facility, in consultation with the agency PREA Coordinator, assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to: The staffing plan established pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section?	yes
	In the past 12 months, has the facility, in consultation with the agency PREA Coordinator, assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to: The facility's deployment of video monitoring systems and other monitoring technologies?	yes
	In the past 12 months, has the facility, in consultation with the agency PREA Coordinator, assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to: The resources the facility has available to commit to ensure adherence to the staffing plan?	yes
115.13 (d)	Supervision and monitoring	
	Has the facility/agency implemented a policy and practice of having intermediate-level or higher-level supervisors conduct and document unannounced rounds to identify and deter staff sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Is this policy and practice implemented for night shifts as well as day shifts?	yes
	Does the facility/agency have a policy prohibiting staff from alerting other staff members that these supervisory rounds are occurring, unless such announcement is related to the legitimate operational functions of the facility?	yes

115.14 (a)	Youthful inmates	
	Does the facility place all youthful inmates in housing units that separate them from sight, sound, and physical contact with any adult inmates through use of a shared dayroom or other common space, shower area, or sleeping quarters? (N/A if facility does not have youthful inmates (inmates <18 years old).)	na
115.14 (b)	Youthful inmates	
	In areas outside of housing units does the agency maintain sight and sound separation between youthful inmates and adult inmates? (N/A if facility does not have youthful inmates (inmates <18 years old).)	na
	In areas outside of housing units does the agency provide direct staff supervision when youthful inmates and adult inmates have sight, sound, or physical contact? (N/A if facility does not have youthful inmates (inmates <18 years old).)	na
115.14 (c)	Youthful inmates	
	Does the agency make its best efforts to avoid placing youthful inmates in isolation to comply with this provision? (N/A if facility does not have youthful inmates (inmates <18 years old).)	na
	Does the agency, while complying with this provision, allow youthful inmates daily large-muscle exercise and legally required special education services, except in exigent circumstances? (N/A if facility does not have youthful inmates (inmates <18 years old).)	na
	Do youthful inmates have access to other programs and work opportunities to the extent possible? (N/A if facility does not have youthful inmates (inmates <18 years old).)	na
115.15 (a)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	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

115.15 (b)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility always refrain from conducting cross-gender pat-down searches of female inmates, except in exigent circumstances? (N/A if the facility does not have female inmates.)	na
	Does the facility always refrain from restricting female inmates' access to regularly available programming or other out-of-cell opportunities in order to comply with this provision? (N/A if the facility does not have female inmates.)	na
115.15 (c)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility document all cross-gender strip searches and cross-gender visual body cavity searches?	yes
	Does the facility document all cross-gender pat-down searches of female inmates (N/A if the facility does not have female inmates)?	na
115.15 (d)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility have policies that enables inmates 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
	Does the facility have procedures that enables inmates 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
	Does the facility require staff of the opposite gender to announce their presence when entering an inmate housing unit?	yes
115.15 (e)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility always refrain from searching or physically examining transgender or intersex inmates for the sole purpose of determining the inmate's genital status?	yes
	If an inmate's genital status is unknown, does the facility determine genital status during conversations with the inmate, by reviewing medical records, or, if necessary, by learning that information as part of a broader medical examination conducted in private by a medical practitioner?	yes

115.15 (f)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility/agency train security staff in how to conduct cross-gender pat down searches in a professional and respectful manner, and in the least intrusive manner possible, consistent with security needs?	yes
	Does the facility/agency train security staff in how to conduct searches of transgender and intersex inmates in a professional and respectful manner, and in the least intrusive manner possible, consistent with security needs?	yes

115.16 (a)	Inmates with disabilities and inmates who are limited English proficient	
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that inmates 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: inmates who are deaf or hard of hearing?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that inmates 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: inmates who are blind or have low vision?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that inmates 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: inmates who have intellectual disabilities?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that inmates 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: inmates who have psychiatric disabilities?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that inmates 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: inmates who have speech disabilities?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that inmates 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
	Do such steps include, when necessary, ensuring effective communication with inmates who are deaf or hard of hearing?	yes
	Do such steps include, when necessary, providing access to interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication	yes

	with inmates with disabilities including inmates who: Have intellectual disabilities?	
	Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with inmates with disabilities including inmates who: Have limited reading skills?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with inmates with disabilities including inmates who: are blind or have low vision?	yes
115.16 (b)	Inmates with disabilities and inmates who are limited English proficient	
	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 inmates who are limited English proficient?	yes
	Do these steps include providing interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary?	yes
115.16 (c)	Inmates with disabilities and inmates who are limited English proficient	
	Does the agency always refrain from relying on inmate interpreters, inmate readers, or other types of inmate assistance except in limited circumstances where an extended delay in obtaining an effective interpreter could compromise the inmate's safety, the performance of first-response duties under §115.64, or the investigation of the inmate's allegations?	yes

115.17 (a)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with inmates who has engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution (as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1997)?	yes
	Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with inmates who has been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse?	yes
	Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with inmates who has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in the two bullets immediately above?	yes
	Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates who has engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution (as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1997)?	yes
	Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates who has been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse?	yes
	Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates who has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in the two bullets immediately above?	yes
115.17 (b)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency consider any incidents of sexual harassment in determining whether to hire or promote anyone who may have contact with inmates?	yes
	Does the agency consider any incidents of sexual harassment in determining whether to enlist the services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates?	yes

115.17 (c)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Before hiring new employees who may have contact with inmates, does the agency perform a criminal background records check?	yes
	Before hiring new employees who may have contact with inmates, does the agency, consistent with Federal, State, and local law, make its best efforts to contact all prior institutional employers for information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or any resignation during a pending investigation of an allegation of sexual abuse?	yes
115.17 (d)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency perform a criminal background records check before enlisting the services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates?	yes
115.17 (e)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency either conduct criminal background records checks at least every five years of current employees and contractors who may have contact with inmates or have in place a system for otherwise capturing such information for current employees?	yes
115.17 (f)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency ask all applicants and employees who may have contact with inmates directly about previous misconduct described in paragraph (a) of this section in written applications or interviews for hiring or promotions?	yes
	Does the agency ask all applicants and employees who may have contact with inmates directly about previous misconduct described in paragraph (a) of this section in any interviews or written self-evaluations conducted as part of reviews of current employees?	yes
	Does the agency impose upon employees a continuing affirmative duty to disclose any such misconduct?	yes
115.17 (g)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency consider material omissions regarding such misconduct, or the provision of materially false information, grounds for termination?	yes

115.17 (h)	Hiring and promotion decisions	
	Does the agency provide information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involving a former employee upon receiving a request from an institutional employer for whom such employee has applied to work? (N/A if providing information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involving a former employee is prohibited by law.)	yes
115.18 (a)	Upgrades to facilities and technologies	
	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 inmates from sexual abuse? (N/A if agency/facility has not acquired a new facility or made a substantial expansion to existing facilities since August 20, 2012, or since the last PREA audit, whichever is later.)	na
115.18 (b)	Upgrades to facilities and technologies	
	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 inmates 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.)	na
115.21 (a)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	If the agency is responsible for investigating allegations of sexual abuse, does the agency follow a uniform evidence protocol that maximizes the potential for obtaining usable physical evidence for administrative proceedings and criminal prosecutions? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations.)	yes

115.21 (b) Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations		
	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
	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
115.21 (c) Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations		
	Does the agency offer all victims of sexual abuse access to forensic medical examinations, whether on-site or at an outside facility, without financial cost, where evidentiarily or medically appropriate?	yes
	Are such examinations performed by Sexual Assault Forensic Examiners (SAFEs) or Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs) where possible?	yes
	If SAFEs or SANEs cannot be made available, is the examination performed by other qualified medical practitioners (they must have been specifically trained to conduct sexual assault forensic exams)?	yes
	Has the agency documented its efforts to provide SAFEs or SANEs?	yes
115.21 (d) Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations		
	Does the agency attempt to make available to the victim a victim advocate from a rape crisis center?	yes
	If a rape crisis center is not available to provide victim advocate services, does the agency make available to provide these services a qualified staff member from a community-based organization, or a qualified agency staff member? (N/A if the agency always makes a victim advocate from a rape crisis center available to victims.)	na
	Has the agency documented its efforts to secure services from rape crisis centers?	yes

115.21 (e)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	As requested by the victim, does the victim advocate, qualified agency staff member, or qualified community-based organization staff member accompany and support the victim through the forensic medical examination process and investigatory interviews?	yes
	As requested by the victim, does this person provide emotional support, crisis intervention, information, and referrals?	yes
115.21 (f)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	If the agency itself is not responsible for investigating allegations of sexual abuse, has the agency requested that the investigating agency follow the requirements of paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section? (N/A if the agency/facility is responsible for conducting criminal AND administrative sexual abuse investigations.)	yes
115.21 (h)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations	
	If the agency uses a qualified agency staff member or a qualified community-based staff member for the purposes of this section, has the individual been screened for appropriateness to serve in this role and received education concerning sexual assault and forensic examination issues in general? (N/A if agency always makes a victim advocate from a rape crisis center available to victims.)	na
115.22 (a)	Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investigations	
	Does the agency ensure an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the agency ensure an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual harassment?	yes
115.22 (b)	Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investigations	
	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
	Has the agency published such policy on its website or, if it does not have one, made the policy available through other means?	yes
	Does the agency document all such referrals?	yes

115.22 (c)	Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investigations	
	If a separate entity is responsible for conducting criminal investigations, does the policy describe the responsibilities of both the agency and the investigating entity? (N/A if the agency/facility is responsible for criminal investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
115.31 (a)	Employee training	
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on its zero-tolerance policy for sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on how to fulfill their responsibilities under agency sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, reporting, and response policies and procedures?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on inmates' right to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on the right of inmates and employees to be free from retaliation for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on the dynamics of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in confinement?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on the common reactions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment victims?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on how to detect and respond to signs of threatened and actual sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on how to avoid inappropriate relationships with inmates?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on how to communicate effectively and professionally with inmates, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender nonconforming inmates?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on how to comply with relevant laws related to mandatory reporting of sexual abuse to outside authorities?	yes

115.31 (b)	Employee training	
	Is such training tailored to the gender of the inmates at the employee's facility?	yes
	Have employees received additional training if reassigned from a facility that houses only male inmates to a facility that houses only female inmates, or vice versa?	yes
115.31 (c)	Employee training	
	Have all current employees who may have contact with inmates received such training?	yes
	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
	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
115.31 (d)	Employee training	
	Does the agency document, through employee signature or electronic verification, that employees understand the training they have received?	yes
115.32 (a)	Volunteer and contractor training	
	Has the agency ensured that all volunteers and contractors who have contact with inmates have been trained on their responsibilities under the agency's sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, and response policies and procedures?	yes
115.32 (b)	Volunteer and contractor training	
	Have all volunteers and contractors who have contact with inmates 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 inmates)?	yes
115.32 (c)	Volunteer and contractor training	
	Does the agency maintain documentation confirming that volunteers and contractors understand the training they have received?	yes

115.33 (a) Inmate education		
	During intake, do inmates receive information explaining the agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	During intake, do inmates receive information explaining how to report incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse or sexual harassment?	yes
115.33 (b) Inmate education		
	Within 30 days of intake, does the agency provide comprehensive education to inmates either in person or through video regarding: Their rights to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Within 30 days of intake, does the agency provide comprehensive education to inmates either in person or through video regarding: Their rights to be free from retaliation for reporting such incidents?	yes
	Within 30 days of intake, does the agency provide comprehensive education to inmates either in person or through video regarding: Agency policies and procedures for responding to such incidents?	yes
115.33 (c) Inmate education		
	Have all inmates received the comprehensive education referenced in 115.33(b)?	yes
	Do inmates receive education upon transfer to a different facility to the extent that the policies and procedures of the inmate's new facility differ from those of the previous facility?	yes
115.33 (d) Inmate education		
	Does the agency provide inmate education in formats accessible to all inmates including those who are limited English proficient?	yes
	Does the agency provide inmate education in formats accessible to all inmates including those who are deaf?	yes
	Does the agency provide inmate education in formats accessible to all inmates including those who are visually impaired?	yes
	Does the agency provide inmate education in formats accessible to all inmates including those who are otherwise disabled?	yes
	Does the agency provide inmate education in formats accessible to all inmates including those who have limited reading skills?	yes

115.33 (e)	Inmate education	
	Does the agency maintain documentation of inmate participation in these education sessions?	yes
115.33 (f)	Inmate education	
	In addition to providing such education, does the agency ensure that key information is continuously and readily available or visible to inmates through posters, inmate handbooks, or other written formats?	yes
115.34 (a)	Specialized training: Investigations	
	In addition to the general training provided to all employees pursuant to §115.31, does the agency ensure that, to the extent the agency itself conducts sexual abuse investigations, its investigators receive training in conducting such investigations in confinement settings? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
115.34 (b)	Specialized training: Investigations	
	Does this specialized training include techniques for interviewing sexual abuse victims? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
	Does this specialized training include proper use of Miranda and Garrity warnings? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
	Does this specialized training include sexual abuse evidence collection in confinement settings? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
	Does this specialized training include the criteria and evidence required to substantiate a case for administrative action or prosecution referral? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes

115.34 (c)	Specialized training: Investigations	
	Does the agency maintain documentation that agency investigators have completed the required specialized training in conducting sexual abuse investigations? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
115.35 (a)	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care	
	Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in how to detect and assess signs of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
	Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in how to preserve physical evidence of sexual abuse? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
	Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in how to respond effectively and professionally to victims of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
	Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in how and to whom to report allegations or suspicions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
115.35 (b)	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care	
	If medical staff employed by the agency conduct forensic examinations, do such medical staff receive appropriate training to conduct such examinations? (N/A if agency medical staff at the facility do not conduct forensic exams or the agency does not employ medical staff.)	yes

115.35 (c)	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care	
	Does the agency maintain documentation that medical and mental health practitioners have received the training referenced in this standard either from the agency or elsewhere? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
115.35 (d)	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care	
	Do medical and mental health care practitioners employed by the agency also receive training mandated for employees by §115.31? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners employed by the agency.)	yes
	Do medical and mental health care practitioners contracted by or volunteering for the agency also receive training mandated for contractors and volunteers by §115.32? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners contracted by or volunteering for the agency.)	yes
115.41 (a)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Are all inmates assessed during an intake screening for their risk of being sexually abused by other inmates or sexually abusive toward other inmates?	yes
	Are all inmates assessed upon transfer to another facility for their risk of being sexually abused by other inmates or sexually abusive toward other inmates?	yes
115.41 (b)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Do intake screenings ordinarily take place within 72 hours of arrival at the facility?	yes
115.41 (c)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Are all PREA screening assessments conducted using an objective screening instrument?	yes

115.41 (d)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (1) Whether the inmate has a mental, physical, or developmental disability?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (2) The age of the inmate?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (3) The physical build of the inmate?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (4) Whether the inmate has previously been incarcerated?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (5) Whether the inmate's criminal history is exclusively nonviolent?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (6) Whether the inmate has prior convictions for sex offenses against an adult or child?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (7) Whether the inmate is or is perceived to be gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender nonconforming (the facility affirmatively asks the inmate about his/her sexual orientation and gender identity AND makes a subjective determination based on the screener's perception whether the inmate is gender non-conforming or otherwise may be perceived to be LGBTI)?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (8) Whether the inmate has previously experienced sexual victimization?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (9) The inmate's own perception of vulnerability?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (10) Whether the inmate is detained solely for civil immigration purposes?	no

115.41 (e)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	In assessing inmates for risk of being sexually abusive, does the initial PREA risk screening consider, as known to the agency: prior acts of sexual abuse?	yes
	In assessing inmates for risk of being sexually abusive, does the initial PREA risk screening consider, as known to the agency: prior convictions for violent offenses?	yes
	In assessing inmates for risk of being sexually abusive, does the initial PREA risk screening consider, as known to the agency: history of prior institutional violence or sexual abuse?	yes
115.41 (f)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Within a set time period not more than 30 days from the inmate's arrival at the facility, does the facility reassess the inmate's risk of victimization or abusiveness based upon any additional, relevant information received by the facility since the intake screening?	yes
115.41 (g)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Does the facility reassess an inmate's risk level when warranted due to a referral?	yes
	Does the facility reassess an inmate's risk level when warranted due to a request?	yes
	Does the facility reassess an inmate's risk level when warranted due to an incident of sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the facility reassess an inmate's risk level when warranted due to receipt of additional information that bears on the inmate's risk of sexual victimization or abusiveness?	yes
115.41 (h)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Is it the case that inmates are not ever disciplined for refusing to answer, or for not disclosing complete information in response to, questions asked pursuant to paragraphs (d)(1), (d)(7), (d)(8), or (d)(9) of this section?	yes
115.41 (i)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Has the agency implemented appropriate controls on the dissemination within the facility of responses to questions asked pursuant to this standard in order to ensure that sensitive information is not exploited to the inmate's detriment by staff or other inmates?	yes

115.42 (a) Use of screening information		
	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.41, with the goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Housing Assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.41, with the goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Bed assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.41, with the goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Work Assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.41, with the goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Education Assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.41, with the goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Program Assignments?	yes
115.42 (b) Use of screening information		
	Does the agency make individualized determinations about how to ensure the safety of each inmate?	yes
115.42 (c) Use of screening information		
	When deciding whether to assign a transgender or intersex inmate to a facility for male or female inmates, does the agency consider, on a case-by-case basis, whether a placement would ensure the inmate's health and safety, and whether a placement would present management or security problems (NOTE: if an agency by policy or practice assigns inmates to a male or female facility on the basis of anatomy alone, that agency is not in compliance with this standard)?	yes
	When making housing or other program assignments for transgender or intersex inmates, does the agency consider, on a case-by-case basis, whether a placement would ensure the inmate's health and safety, and whether a placement would present management or security problems?	yes

115.42 (d) Use of screening information		
	Are placement and programming assignments for each transgender or intersex inmate reassessed at least twice each year to review any threats to safety experienced by the inmate?	yes
115.42 (e) Use of screening information		
	Are each transgender or intersex inmate's own views with respect to his or her own safety given serious consideration when making facility and housing placement decisions and programming assignments?	yes
115.42 (f) Use of screening information		
	Are transgender and intersex inmates given the opportunity to shower separately from other inmates?	yes
115.42 (g) Use of screening information		
	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 inmates, does the agency always refrain from placing: lesbian, gay, and bisexual inmates in dedicated facilities, units, or wings solely on the basis of such identification or status? (N/A if the agency has a dedicated facility, unit, or wing solely for the placement of LGBT or I inmates pursuant to a consent decree, legal settlement, or legal judgement.)	yes
	Unless placement is in a dedicated facility, unit, or wing established in connection with a consent decree, legal settlement, or legal judgment for the purpose of protecting lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex inmates, does the agency always refrain from placing: transgender inmates in dedicated facilities, units, or wings solely on the basis of such identification or status? (N/A if the agency has a dedicated facility, unit, or wing solely for the placement of LGBT or I inmates pursuant to a consent decree, legal settlement, or legal judgement.)	yes
	Unless placement is in a dedicated facility, unit, or wing established in connection with a consent decree, legal settlement, or legal judgment for the purpose of protecting lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex inmates, does the agency always refrain from placing: intersex inmates in dedicated facilities, units, or wings solely on the basis of such identification or status? (N/A if the agency has a dedicated facility, unit, or wing solely for the placement of LGBT or I inmates pursuant to a consent decree, legal settlement, or legal judgement.)	yes

115.43 (a) Protective Custody		
	Does the facility always refrain from placing inmates at high risk for sexual victimization in involuntary segregated housing unless an assessment of all available alternatives has been made, and a determination has been made that there is no available alternative means of separation from likely abusers?	yes
	If a facility cannot conduct such an assessment immediately, does the facility hold the inmate in involuntary segregated housing for less than 24 hours while completing the assessment?	yes
115.43 (b) Protective Custody		
	Do inmates who are placed in segregated housing because they are at high risk of sexual victimization have access to: Programs to the extent possible?	yes
	Do inmates who are placed in segregated housing because they are at high risk of sexual victimization have access to: Privileges to the extent possible?	yes
	Do inmates who are placed in segregated housing because they are at high risk of sexual victimization have access to: Education to the extent possible?	yes
	Do inmates who are placed in segregated housing because they are at high risk of sexual victimization have access to: Work opportunities to the extent possible?	yes
	If the facility restricts any access to programs, privileges, education, or work opportunities, does the facility document the opportunities that have been limited? (N/A if the facility never restricts access to programs, privileges, education, or work opportunities.)	na
	If the facility restricts access to programs, privileges, education, or work opportunities, does the facility document the duration of the limitation? (N/A if the facility never restricts access to programs, privileges, education, or work opportunities.)	na
	If the facility restricts access to programs, privileges, education, or work opportunities, does the facility document the reasons for such limitations? (N/A if the facility never restricts access to programs, privileges, education, or work opportunities.)	na

115.43 (c)	Protective Custody	
	Does the facility assign inmates at high risk of sexual victimization to involuntary segregated housing only until an alternative means of separation from likely abusers can be arranged?	yes
	Does such an assignment not ordinarily exceed a period of 30 days?	yes
115.43 (d)	Protective Custody	
	If an involuntary segregated housing assignment is made pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, does the facility clearly document: The basis for the facility's concern for the inmate's safety?	yes
	If an involuntary segregated housing assignment is made pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, does the facility clearly document: The reason why no alternative means of separation can be arranged?	yes
115.43 (e)	Protective Custody	
	In the case of each inmate who is placed in involuntary segregation because he/she is at high risk of sexual victimization, does the facility afford a review to determine whether there is a continuing need for separation from the general population EVERY 30 DAYS?	yes
115.51 (a)	Inmate reporting	
	Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for inmates to privately report: Sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for inmates to privately report: Retaliation by other inmates or staff for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for inmates to privately report: Staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to such incidents?	yes

115.51 (b)	Inmate reporting	
	Does the agency also provide at least one way for inmates to report sexual abuse or sexual harassment to a public or private entity or office that is not part of the agency?	yes
	Is that private entity or office able to receive and immediately forward inmate reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to agency officials?	yes
	Does that private entity or office allow the inmate to remain anonymous upon request?	yes
	Are inmates detained solely for civil immigration purposes provided information on how to contact relevant consular officials and relevant officials at the Department of Homeland Security? (N/A if the facility never houses inmates detained solely for civil immigration purposes.)	na
115.51 (c)	Inmate reporting	
	Does staff accept reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment made verbally, in writing, anonymously, and from third parties?	yes
	Does staff promptly document any verbal reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
115.51 (d)	Inmate reporting	
	Does the agency provide a method for staff to privately report sexual abuse and sexual harassment of inmates?	yes
115.52 (a)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Is the agency exempt from this standard? NOTE: The agency is exempt ONLY if it does not have administrative procedures to address inmate grievances regarding sexual abuse. This does not mean the agency is exempt simply because an inmate 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

115.52 (b)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Does the agency permit inmates 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
	Does the agency always refrain from requiring an inmate 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
115.52 (c)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Does the agency ensure that: An inmate who alleges sexual abuse may submit a grievance without submitting it to a staff member who is the subject of the complaint? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Does the agency ensure that: Such grievance is not referred to a staff member who is the subject of the complaint? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
115.52 (d)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Does the agency issue a final agency decision on the merits of any portion of a grievance alleging sexual abuse within 90 days of the initial filing of the grievance? (Computation of the 90-day time period does not include time consumed by inmates in preparing any administrative appeal.) (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	If the agency claims the maximum allowable extension of time to respond of up to 70 days per 115.52(d)(3) when the normal time period for response is insufficient to make an appropriate decision, does the agency notify the inmate in writing of any such extension and provide a date by which a decision will be made? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	At any level of the administrative process, including the final level, if the inmate does not receive a response within the time allotted for reply, including any properly noticed extension, may an inmate consider the absence of a response to be a denial at that level? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes

115.52 (e)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Are third parties, including fellow inmates, staff members, family members, attorneys, and outside advocates, permitted to assist inmates in filing requests for administrative remedies relating to allegations of sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Are those third parties also permitted to file such requests on behalf of inmates? (If a third party files such a request on behalf of an inmate, 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
	If the inmate declines to have the request processed on his or her behalf, does the agency document the inmate's decision? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes

115.52 (f)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Has the agency established procedures for the filing of an emergency grievance alleging that an inmate is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	After receiving an emergency grievance alleging an inmate is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, does the agency immediately forward the grievance (or any portion thereof that alleges the substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse) to a level of review at which immediate corrective action may be taken? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	After receiving an emergency grievance described above, does the agency provide an initial response within 48 hours? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	After receiving an emergency grievance described above, does the agency issue a final agency decision within 5 calendar days? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Does the initial response and final agency decision document the agency's determination whether the inmate is in substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Does the initial response document the agency's action(s) taken in response to the emergency grievance? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Does the agency's final decision document the agency's action(s) taken in response to the emergency grievance? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
115.52 (g)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	If the agency disciplines an inmate for filing a grievance related to alleged sexual abuse, does it do so ONLY where the agency demonstrates that the inmate filed the grievance in bad faith? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes

115.53 (a)	Inmate access to outside confidential support services	
	Does the facility provide inmates with access to outside victim advocates for emotional support services related to sexual abuse by giving inmates mailing addresses and telephone numbers, including toll-free hotline numbers where available, of local, State, or national victim advocacy or rape crisis organizations?	yes
	Does the facility provide persons detained solely for civil immigration purposes mailing addresses and telephone numbers, including toll-free hotline numbers where available of local, State, or national immigrant services agencies? (N/A if the facility never has persons detained solely for civil immigration purposes.)	na
	Does the facility enable reasonable communication between inmates and these organizations and agencies, in as confidential a manner as possible?	yes
115.53 (b)	Inmate access to outside confidential support services	
	Does the facility inform inmates, prior to giving them access, of the extent to which such communications will be monitored and the extent to which reports of abuse will be forwarded to authorities in accordance with mandatory reporting laws?	yes
115.53 (c)	Inmate access to outside confidential support services	
	Does the agency maintain or attempt to enter into memoranda of understanding or other agreements with community service providers that are able to provide inmates with confidential emotional support services related to sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the agency maintain copies of agreements or documentation showing attempts to enter into such agreements?	yes
115.54 (a)	Third-party reporting	
	Has the agency established a method to receive third-party reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Has the agency distributed publicly information on how to report sexual abuse and sexual harassment on behalf of an inmate?	yes

115.61 (a)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	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
	Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information regarding retaliation against inmates or staff who reported an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information regarding any staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment or retaliation?	yes
115.61 (b)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	Apart from reporting to designated supervisors or officials, does 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
115.61 (c)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	Unless otherwise precluded by Federal, State, or local law, are medical and mental health practitioners required to report sexual abuse pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section?	yes
	Are medical and mental health practitioners required to inform inmates of the practitioner's duty to report, and the limitations of confidentiality, at the initiation of services?	yes
115.61 (d)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	If the alleged victim is under the age of 18 or considered a vulnerable adult under a State or local vulnerable persons statute, does the agency report the allegation to the designated State or local services agency under applicable mandatory reporting laws?	yes
115.61 (e)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	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

115.62 (a)	Agency protection duties	
	When the agency learns that an inmate is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, does it take immediate action to protect the inmate?	yes
115.63 (a)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Upon receiving an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused while confined at another facility, does the head of the facility that received the allegation notify the head of the facility or appropriate office of the agency where the alleged abuse occurred?	yes
115.63 (b)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Is such notification provided as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours after receiving the allegation?	yes
115.63 (c)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Does the agency document that it has provided such notification?	yes
115.63 (d)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Does the facility head or agency office that receives such notification ensure that the allegation is investigated in accordance with these standards?	yes

115.64 (a)	Staff first responder duties	
	Upon learning of an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Separate the alleged victim and abuser?	yes
	Upon learning of an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Preserve and protect any crime scene until appropriate steps can be taken to collect any evidence?	yes
	Upon learning of an allegation that an inmate 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
	Upon learning of an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Ensure that the alleged abuser does not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate, washing, brushing teeth, changing clothes, urinating, defecating, smoking, drinking, or eating, if the abuse occurred within a time period that still allows for the collection of physical evidence?	yes
115.64 (b)	Staff first responder duties	
	If the first staff responder is not a security staff member, is the responder required to request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, and then notify security staff?	yes
115.65 (a)	Coordinated response	
	Has the facility developed a written institutional plan to coordinate actions among staff first responders, medical and mental health practitioners, investigators, and facility leadership taken in response to an incident of sexual abuse?	yes

115.66 (a)	Preservation of ability to protect inmates from contact with abusers	
	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 limit the agency's ability to remove alleged staff sexual abusers from contact with any inmates pending the outcome of an investigation or of a determination of whether and to what extent discipline is warranted?	no
115.67 (a)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	Has the agency established a policy to protect all inmates and staff who report sexual abuse or sexual harassment or cooperate with sexual abuse or sexual harassment investigations from retaliation by other inmates or staff?	yes
	Has the agency designated which staff members or departments are charged with monitoring retaliation?	yes
115.67 (b)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	Does the agency employ multiple protection measures, such as housing changes or transfers for inmate victims or abusers, removal of alleged staff or inmate abusers from contact with victims, and emotional support services for inmates or staff who fear retaliation for reporting sexual abuse or sexual harassment or for cooperating with investigations?	yes

115.67 (c)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor the conduct and treatment of inmates or staff who reported the sexual abuse to see if there are changes that may suggest possible retaliation by inmates or staff?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor the conduct and treatment of inmates who were reported to have suffered sexual abuse to see if there are changes that may suggest possible retaliation by inmates or staff?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Act promptly to remedy any such retaliation?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor any inmate disciplinary reports?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor inmate housing changes?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor inmate program changes?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor negative performance reviews of staff?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor reassignments of staff?	yes
	Does the agency continue such monitoring beyond 90 days if the initial monitoring indicates a continuing need?	yes

115.67 (d)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	In the case of inmates, does such monitoring also include periodic status checks?	yes
115.67 (e)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	If any other individual who cooperates with an investigation expresses a fear of retaliation, does the agency take appropriate measures to protect that individual against retaliation?	yes
115.68 (a)	Post-allegation protective custody	
	Is any and all use of segregated housing to protect an inmate who is alleged to have suffered sexual abuse subject to the requirements of § 115.43?	yes
115.71 (a)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	When the agency conducts its own investigations into allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, does it do so promptly, thoroughly, and objectively? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
	Does the agency conduct such investigations for all allegations, including third party and anonymous reports? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
115.71 (b)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Where sexual abuse is alleged, does the agency use investigators who have received specialized training in sexual abuse investigations as required by 115.34?	yes
115.71 (c)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Do investigators gather and preserve direct and circumstantial evidence, including any available physical and DNA evidence and any available electronic monitoring data?	yes
	Do investigators interview alleged victims, suspected perpetrators, and witnesses?	yes
	Do investigators review prior reports and complaints of sexual abuse involving the suspected perpetrator?	yes

115.71 (d)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	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
115.71 (e)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	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 inmate or staff?	yes
	Does the agency investigate allegations of sexual abuse without requiring an inmate who alleges sexual abuse to submit to a polygraph examination or other truth-telling device as a condition for proceeding?	yes
115.71 (f)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Do administrative investigations include an effort to determine whether staff actions or failures to act contributed to the abuse?	yes
	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
115.71 (g)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	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
115.71 (h)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Are all substantiated allegations of conduct that appears to be criminal referred for prosecution?	yes
115.71 (i)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Does the agency retain all written reports referenced in 115.71(f) and (g) for as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or employed by the agency, plus five years?	yes

115.71 (j)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Does the agency ensure that the departure of an alleged abuser or victim from the employment or control of the agency does not provide a basis for terminating an investigation?	yes
115.71 (l)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	When an outside entity investigates sexual abuse, does the facility cooperate with outside investigators and endeavor to remain informed about the progress of the investigation? (N/A if an outside agency does not conduct administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
115.72 (a)	Evidentiary standard for administrative investigations	
	Is it true that the agency does not impose a standard higher than a preponderance of the evidence in determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated?	yes
115.73 (a)	Reporting to inmates	
	Following an investigation into an inmate's allegation that he or she suffered sexual abuse in an agency facility, does the agency inform the inmate as to whether the allegation has been determined to be substantiated, unsubstantiated, or unfounded?	yes
115.73 (b)	Reporting to inmates	
	If the agency did not conduct the investigation into an inmate'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 inmate? (N/A if the agency/facility is responsible for conducting administrative and criminal investigations.)	yes

115.73 (c)	Reporting to inmates	
	Following an inmate'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 inmate has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The staff member is no longer posted within the inmate's unit?	yes
	Following an inmate's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The staff member is no longer employed at the facility?	yes
	Following an inmate's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The agency learns that the staff member has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse in the facility?	yes
	Following an inmate's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The agency learns that the staff member has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility?	yes
115.73 (d)	Reporting to inmates	
	Following an inmate's allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another inmate, does the agency subsequently inform the alleged victim whenever: The agency learns that the alleged abuser has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility?	yes
	Following an inmate's allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another inmate, 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
115.73 (e)	Reporting to inmates	
	Does the agency document all such notifications or attempted notifications?	yes

115.76 (a)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Are staff subject to disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies?	yes
115.76 (b)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Is termination the presumptive disciplinary sanction for staff who have engaged in sexual abuse?	yes
115.76 (c)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Are disciplinary sanctions for violations of agency policies relating to sexual abuse or sexual harassment (other than actually engaging in sexual abuse) commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the acts committed, the staff member's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other staff with similar histories?	yes
115.76 (d)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Are all terminations for violations of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies, or resignations by staff who would have been terminated if not for their resignation, reported to: Law enforcement agencies(unless the activity was clearly not criminal)?	yes
	Are all terminations for violations of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies, or resignations by staff who would have been terminated if not for their resignation, reported to: Relevant licensing bodies?	yes
115.77 (a)	Corrective action for contractors and volunteers	
	Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse prohibited from contact with inmates?	yes
	Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse reported to: Law enforcement agencies (unless the activity was clearly not criminal)?	yes
	Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse reported to: Relevant licensing bodies?	yes
115.77 (b)	Corrective action for contractors and volunteers	
	In the case of any other violation of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies by a contractor or volunteer, does the facility take appropriate remedial measures, and consider whether to prohibit further contact with inmates?	yes

115.78 (a)	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates	
	Following an administrative finding that an inmate engaged in inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse, or following a criminal finding of guilt for inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse, are inmates subject to disciplinary sanctions pursuant to a formal disciplinary process?	yes
115.78 (b)	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates	
	Are sanctions commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the abuse committed, the inmate's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other inmates with similar histories?	yes
115.78 (c)	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates	
	When determining what types of sanction, if any, should be imposed, does the disciplinary process consider whether an inmate's mental disabilities or mental illness contributed to his or her behavior?	yes
115.78 (d)	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates	
	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 inmate to participate in such interventions as a condition of access to programming and other benefits?	yes
115.78 (e)	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates	
	Does the agency discipline an inmate for sexual contact with staff only upon a finding that the staff member did not consent to such contact?	yes
115.78 (f)	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates	
	For the purpose of disciplinary action does a report of sexual abuse made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief that the alleged conduct occurred NOT constitute falsely reporting an incident or lying, even if an investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation?	yes
115.78 (g)	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates	
	If the agency prohibits all sexual activity between inmates, does the agency always refrain from considering non-coercive sexual activity between inmates to be sexual abuse? (N/A if the agency does not prohibit all sexual activity between inmates.)	yes

115.81 (a)	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sexual abuse	
	If the screening pursuant to § 115.41 indicates that a prison inmate has experienced prior sexual victimization, whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, do staff ensure that the inmate is offered a follow-up meeting with a medical or mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening? (N/A if the facility is not a prison).	yes
115.81 (b)	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sexual abuse	
	If the screening pursuant to § 115.41 indicates that a prison inmate has previously perpetrated sexual abuse, whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, do staff ensure that the inmate is offered a follow-up meeting with a mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening? (N/A if the facility is not a prison.)	yes
115.81 (c)	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sexual abuse	
	If the screening pursuant to § 115.41 indicates that a jail inmate has experienced prior sexual victimization, whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, do staff ensure that the inmate is offered a follow-up meeting with a medical or mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening? (N/A if the facility is not a jail).	yes
115.81 (d)	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sexual abuse	
	Is any information related to sexual victimization or abusiveness that occurred in an institutional setting strictly limited to medical and mental health practitioners and other staff as necessary to inform treatment plans and security management decisions, including housing, bed, work, education, and program assignments, or as otherwise required by Federal, State, or local law?	yes
115.81 (e)	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sexual abuse	
	Do medical and mental health practitioners obtain informed consent from inmates before reporting information about prior sexual victimization that did not occur in an institutional setting, unless the inmate is under the age of 18?	yes

115.82 (a)	Access to emergency medical and mental health services	
	Do inmate victims of sexual abuse receive timely, unimpeded access to emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services, the nature and scope of which are determined by medical and mental health practitioners according to their professional judgment?	yes
115.82 (b)	Access to emergency medical and mental health services	
	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 § 115.62?	yes
	Do security staff first responders immediately notify the appropriate medical and mental health practitioners?	yes
115.82 (c)	Access to emergency medical and mental health services	
	Are inmate 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
115.82 (d)	Access to emergency medical and mental health services	
	Are treatment services provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident?	yes
115.83 (a)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Does the facility offer medical and mental health evaluation and, as appropriate, treatment to all inmates who have been victimized by sexual abuse in any prison, jail, lockup, or juvenile facility?	yes
115.83 (b)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Does the evaluation and treatment of such victims include, as appropriate, follow-up services, treatment plans, and, when necessary, referrals for continued care following their transfer to, or placement in, other facilities, or their release from custody?	yes

115.83 (c)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Does the facility provide such victims with medical and mental health services consistent with the community level of care?	yes
115.83 (d)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Are inmate victims of sexually abusive vaginal penetration while incarcerated offered pregnancy tests? (N/A if "all male" facility. Note: in "all male" facilities there may be inmates who identify as transgender men who may have female genitalia. Auditors should be sure to know whether such individuals may be in the population and whether this provision may apply in specific circumstances.)	na
115.83 (e)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	If pregnancy results from the conduct described in paragraph § 115.83(d), do such victims receive timely and comprehensive information about and timely access to all lawful pregnancy-related medical services? (N/A if "all male" facility. Note: in "all male" facilities there may be inmates who identify as transgender men who may have female genitalia. Auditors should be sure to know whether such individuals may be in the population and whether this provision may apply in specific circumstances.)	na
115.83 (f)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Are inmate victims of sexual abuse while incarcerated offered tests for sexually transmitted infections as medically appropriate?	yes
115.83 (g)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Are treatment services provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident?	yes

115.83 (h)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	If the facility is a prison, does it attempt to conduct a mental health evaluation of all known inmate-on-inmate abusers within 60 days of learning of such abuse history and offer treatment when deemed appropriate by mental health practitioners? (NA if the facility is a jail.)	yes
115.86 (a)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the facility conduct a sexual abuse incident review at the conclusion of every sexual abuse investigation, including where the allegation has not been substantiated, unless the allegation has been determined to be unfounded?	yes
115.86 (b)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does such review ordinarily occur within 30 days of the conclusion of the investigation?	yes
115.86 (c)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the review team include upper-level management officials, with input from line supervisors, investigators, and medical or mental health practitioners?	yes

115.86 (d)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the review team: Consider whether the allegation or investigation indicates a need to change policy or practice to better prevent, detect, or respond to sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the review team: Consider whether the incident or allegation was motivated by race; ethnicity; gender identity; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex identification, status, or perceived status; gang affiliation; or other group dynamics at the facility?	yes
	Does the review team: Examine the area in the facility where the incident allegedly occurred to assess whether physical barriers in the area may enable abuse?	yes
	Does the review team: Assess the adequacy of staffing levels in that area during different shifts?	yes
	Does the review team: Assess whether monitoring technology should be deployed or augmented to supplement supervision by staff?	yes
	Does the review team: Prepare a report of its findings, including but not necessarily limited to determinations made pursuant to §§ 115.86(d)(1)-(d)(5), and any recommendations for improvement and submit such report to the facility head and PREA compliance manager?	yes
115.86 (e)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the facility implement the recommendations for improvement, or document its reasons for not doing so?	yes
115.87 (a)	Data collection	
	Does the agency collect accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse at facilities under its direct control using a standardized instrument and set of definitions?	yes
115.87 (b)	Data collection	
	Does the agency aggregate the incident-based sexual abuse data at least annually?	yes
115.87 (c)	Data collection	
	Does the incident-based data include, at a minimum, the data necessary to answer all questions from the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence conducted by the Department of Justice?	yes

115.87 (d)	Data collection	
	Does the agency maintain, review, and collect data as needed from all available incident-based documents, including reports, investigation files, and sexual abuse incident reviews?	yes
115.87 (e)	Data collection	
	Does the agency also obtain incident-based and aggregated data from every private facility with which it contracts for the confinement of its inmates? (N/A if agency does not contract for the confinement of its inmates.)	na
115.87 (f)	Data collection	
	Does the agency, upon request, provide all such data from the previous calendar year to the Department of Justice no later than June 30? (N/A if DOJ has not requested agency data.)	na
115.88 (a)	Data review for corrective action	
	Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.87 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Identifying problem areas?	yes
	Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.87 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Taking corrective action on an ongoing basis?	yes
	Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.87 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Preparing an annual report of its findings and corrective actions for each facility, as well as the agency as a whole?	yes
115.88 (b)	Data review for corrective action	
	Does the agency's annual report include a comparison of the current year's data and corrective actions with those from prior years and provide an assessment of the agency's progress in addressing sexual abuse?	yes
115.88 (c)	Data review for corrective action	
	Is the agency's annual report approved by the agency head and made readily available to the public through its website or, if it does not have one, through other means?	yes

115.88 (d)	Data review for corrective action	
	Does the agency indicate the nature of the material redacted where it redacts specific material from the reports when publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of a facility?	yes
115.89 (a)	Data storage, publication, and destruction	
	Does the agency ensure that data collected pursuant to § 115.87 are securely retained?	yes
115.89 (b)	Data storage, publication, and destruction	
	Does the agency make all aggregated sexual abuse data, from facilities under its direct control and private facilities with which it contracts, readily available to the public at least annually through its website or, if it does not have one, through other means?	yes
115.89 (c)	Data storage, publication, and destruction	
	Does the agency remove all personal identifiers before making aggregated sexual abuse data publicly available?	yes
115.89 (d)	Data storage, publication, and destruction	
	Does the agency maintain sexual abuse data collected pursuant to § 115.87 for at least 10 years after the date of the initial collection, unless Federal, State, or local law requires otherwise?	yes
115.401 (a)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	During the prior three-year audit period, did the agency ensure that each facility operated by the agency, or by a private organization on behalf of the agency, was audited at least once? (Note: The response here is purely informational. A "no" response does not impact overall compliance with this standard.)	yes

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

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