



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

**Prison Rape Elimination Act**

**Annual Report – Calendar Year 2018**

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This Annual Report, in accordance with the federal Prison Rape Elimination Act (“PREA”) Standards for Adult Prisons and Jails, summarizes Calendar Year (“CY”) 2018 incident-based data and actions taken in CY 2018 by the Rhode Island Department of Corrections (“RIDOC”) and its facilities to improve its efforts to prevent, detect and respond to incidents of sexual abuse and/or sexual harassment.

**Data Collection Activities**

All allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment are entered in the Facility Incident Database and investigated by either the Special Investigations Unit (“SIU”) or the Office of Inspections (“OI”). Additional information is collected and entered in the Facility Incident Database during the investigative process and after facility based Sexual Abuse Incident Reviews are conducted to review allegations of sexual abuse that are determined after investigation to be substantiated or unsubstantiated.

The RIDOC PREA Coordinator reviews the data collected from the Facility Incident Database to (1) assess and improve the effectiveness of the RIDOC’s sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection and response efforts and (2) prepare the annual report.

**CY 2018 Data**

**CY 2018 Total All Facilities PREA-Related Incidents: 101**

**Allegations of Sexual Abuse by Inmate (All Facilities)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
33	0	7	7	19

**Allegations of Sexual Abuse by Staff (All Facilities)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
13	1	0	9	3

**Allegations of Sexual Harassment by Inmate (All Facilities)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
31	0	7	4	20

**Allegations of Sexual Harassment by Staff (All Facilities)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
24	5	0	12	7

**CY 2018 Total High Security Center PREA-Related Incidents: 10****Allegations of Sexual Abuse by Inmate (High Security Center)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
1	0	0	0	1

**Allegations of Sexual Abuse by Staff (High Security Center)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
0	0	0	0	0

**Allegations of Sexual Harassment by Inmate (High Security Center)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
2	0	0	0	2

**Allegations of Sexual Harassment by Staff (High Security Center)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
7	0	0	5	2

**CY 2018 Total Maximum Security PREA-Related Incidents: 5****Allegations of Sexual Abuse by Inmate (Maximum Security)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
0	0	0	0	0

**Allegations of Sexual Abuse by Staff (Maximum Security)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
1	0	0	1	0

**Allegations of Sexual Harassment by Inmate (Maximum Security)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
0	0	0	0	0

**Allegations of Sexual Harassment by Staff (Maximum Security)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
4	0	0	3	1

**CY 2018 Total Medium Security PREA-Related Incidents: 13****Allegations of Sexual Abuse by Inmate (Medium Security)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
5	0	2	1	2

**Allegations of Sexual Abuse by Staff (Medium Security)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
2	0	0	1	1

**Allegations of Sexual Harassment by Inmate (Medium Security)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
2	0	0	0	2

**Allegations of Sexual Harassment by Staff (Medium Security)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
4	2	0	1	1

**CY 2018 Total Minimum Security PREA-Related Incidents: 3****Allegations of Sexual Abuse by Inmate (Minimum Security)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
2	0	0	0	2

**Allegations of Sexual Abuse by Staff (Minimum Security)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
0	0	0	0	0

**Allegations of Sexual Harassment by Inmate (Minimum Security)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
1	0	0	0	1

**Allegations of Sexual Harassment by Staff (Minimum Security)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
0	0	0	0	0

**CY 2018 Total Intake Service Center PREA-Related Incidents: 33**

**Allegations of Sexual Abuse by Inmate (Intake Service Center)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
9	0	2	1	6

**Allegations of Sexual Abuse by Staff (Intake Service Center)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
2	0	0	1	1

**Allegations of Sexual Harassment by Inmate (Intake Service Center)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
14	0	4	3	7

**Allegations of Sexual Harassment by Staff (Intake Service Center)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
8	3	0	2	3

**CY 2018 Total Women's Facility PREA-Related Incidents: 37**

**Allegations of Sexual Abuse by Inmate (Women's Facility)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
16	0	3	5	8

**Allegations of Sexual Abuse by Staff (Women's Facility)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
8	1	0	6	1

**Allegations of Sexual Harassment by Inmate (Women's Facility)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
12	0	3	1	8

**Allegations of Sexual Harassment by Staff (Women's Facility)**

Reported	Ongoing	Substantiated	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated
1	0	0	1	0

**Comparative Data Analysis**

In CY 2018, the number of PREA allegations reported to RIDOC decreased from CY 2017. There were 101 PREA allegations reported and investigated in CY 2018 as compared to the 125 PREA allegations that were reported and investigated in CY 2017.


### CY 2018 Corrective Actions

In CY 2018, PREA Audits were conducted at two (2) RIDOC facilities: High Security Center and Maximum Security. The PREA Auditor found that both facilities were compliant with the PREA Standards for Adult Prisons and Jails and did not require any corrective action.

Although corrective action was not required as a result of either of the facility audits at the High Security Center or Maximum Security, RIDOC continued to maintain its efforts to ensure continued compliance with the PREA Standards for Adult Prisons and Jails by:

- Providing updated PREA refresher information to all uniform and nonuniform staff;
- Issuing an RFP for PREA Victim Services;
- Revising policies and procedures to include PREA compliant language and practices;
- Expanding the use of shower shorts to two (2) additional facilities to address security and privacy concerns; and
- Improving PREA inmate education materials for the visually impaired.

As demonstrated by the CY 2018 data and continued compliance maintenance actions taken by RIDOC and its facilities in this Annual Report, RIDOC continues to be committed to full compliance with the PREA Standards for Adult Prisons and Jails and continues to dedicate resources to improve and sustain its efforts to prevent, detect and respond to incidents of sexual abuse and/or sexual harassment.

  
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