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## Memorandum

**To:** Jailer Jason Maydak  
**From:** Captain Oscar Jeffries  
**Date:** January 17, 2023  
**Re:** 2022 Annual PREA Report

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'O. Jeffries', is written over the 'From:' line of the memorandum.

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003 is a federal law established to support the elimination and prevention of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in the correctional system. PREA addresses both inmate-to-inmate sexual abuse and staff-to-inmate sexual abuse. The Boone County Jail fully supports the guidelines set forth in this law and has ZERO-TOLERANCE for any and all incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Sexual abuse or sexual harassment of inmates by other inmates or staff, even if the offender consents, initiates or pursues, is prohibited and subject to administrative discipline and criminal charges. The Boone County Jail is proactive in screening new intakes for potential risk of sexual victimization or being sexually abusive. Our facility also educates staff and inmates on the PREA standard.

PREA requires an annual report be made readily available to the public and at a minimum requires the report to include progress in addressing sexual abuse, data, data comparison and corrective actions.



**Progress:**

Annually the Office of Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO), Detention Standards Compliance Unit with ICE conducts an inspection at the Boone County Jail. During the 2020 inspection the facility met all criteria within the Sexual Abuse and Assault Prevention Intervention Standard. A PREA audit was conducted in June 2020 by a DOJ certified PREA auditor, with an overall score of “Meets Standards.”

**Data:**

The data collected for 2021 is compiled using PREA standard criteria and we will need to submit upon request Form SSV-3.

In accordance with PREA all investigations are assigned one of three possible determinations:

- *Substantiated-* an allegation which was investigated and determined to have occurred
- *Unfounded-* an allegation which was investigated and determined not to have occurred
- *Unsubstantiated-* an allegation which produced insufficient evidence to make a final determination of a substantiated or unfounded claim

**2022 PREA Data**

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<b>PREA Finding</b>	<b>Inmate-on-Inmate</b>	<b>Staff-on-Inmate</b>	<b>Total</b>
Substantiated	1	0	1
Unsubstantiated	1	0	1
Unfounded	1	0	1
Open	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>

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**Analysis of Findings:**

There were no corrective actions taken in 2022. With the PREA audit tool being established by the United States Department of Justice this should lead to better focus in our training. Nevertheless, the Boone County Jail has always maintained a zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual misconduct.

**Problem Areas:**

There were no known problem areas found during the past year.

**Corrective Actions:**

Formal PREA training was given to all Deputies and healthcare staff at the Boone County Jail during 2022. PREA training was also given to all volunteers and contractors during 2023.

**Planned Efforts for 2023:**

- Continue training efforts
- Continue compliance with PREA

**Summary:**

The Boone County Jail maintains a zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The jail will continue training and education to comply with the Prison Rape Elimination Act to prevent in-custody sexual abuse or sexual harassment.

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**To:** 2022 PREA Report

**CC:**

**From:** Capt. Oscar Jeffries

**Date:** July 20, 2023

**Re:** Comparison of 2021 and 2022 PREA Incidents Data

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On the above date Jailer Jason Maydak, Capt. Klute, and I compared the 2021 PREA incidents data to the 2022 PREA incidents data. The conclusion was the number of incidents actually declined by one incident. In 2021 all incidents were "Unfounded", and there was one incident found "Substantiated" in 2022 that was an incident of sexual harassment from one inmate to another, but no physical contact or exposure of the body was committed. In comparing these two years we have found there was nothing that could have been done any differently to prevent the one "Substantiated" incident in 2022. We are continuing to ensure there is a zero tolerance culture and standard at the Boone County Jail. We also requested the county have our entire security camera system upgraded and expanded, which was approved by our fiscal court. We are currently in the process of that upgrade and expect completion by the end of 2023. This new technology will better help us to detect, prevent, and investigate claims of PREA violations.