



PREA Annual Report - 2017

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Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA)

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) was unanimously passed by Congress and signed on September 4, 2003, by President George H.W. Bush, becoming the first federal legislation to address the issue of sexual assault in a correctional setting. The Act applies to sexual abuse in all custodial corrections settings, including prisons, jails, police lock-ups, juvenile facilities, and community residential settings. Moreover, the Act applies to all types of sexual misconduct against juveniles, including abuse by fellow juveniles and staff.

Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice

The Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) provides secure housing, programming, mental health services, health care services, and education for juveniles who are on probation, awaiting adjudication, or have been adjudicated and committed to the Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice.

The Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice reviews data collected and aggregated pursuant to PREA standard 115.387 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of the agency's sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training to include identifying problem areas; and taking corrective action on an ongoing basis.

The Georgia DJJ yearly comparison report began with FY2013. Specific information from all reports is redacted to prevent any threat to the safety and security of secure facilities, community residential programs, court service offices, and youth and staff. The PREA Annual Report redacted information concerning staff and youth personal identifiers.

Established PREA Tracking Codes (Definitions)

During the reporting period from January 1, 2017 thru December 31, 2017, the DJJ OQA data base received allegations of 123 PREA incidents. The alleged incidents were reported from one or more of DJJ's 25 Secure Facilities, one or more of DJJ's 92 Community Service Offices, and one or more of DJJ's 75 Residential Program Providers.

DJJ Established PREA Reporting Codes:

Youth-On- Youth (PY)

1. PY1 = Youth-on-Youth Unwanted, Nonconsensual or Coerced Penetration (*Department of Justice SSV-5 Title: Nonconsensual Sexual Acts*)
2. PY2 = Youth-on-Youth Unwanted, Nonconsensual or Coerced Non Penetration/Touching (*Department of Justice SSV-5 Title: Abusive Sexual Contact*)
3. PY3 = Youth-on-Youth Sexual Harassment (*Department of Justice SSV-5 Title: Sexual Harassment*)

Staff-On-Youth (PS)

4. PS1 = Staff-on-Youth Sexual Penetration (*Department of Justice SSV-5 Title: Staff Sexual Misconduct*)
5. PS2 = Staff-on-Youth Non Penetration Touching (*Department of Justice SSV-5 Title: Staff Sexual Misconduct*)
6. PS3 = Staff -on-Youth Indecent Exposure (*Department of Justice SSV-5 Title: Staff Sexual Misconduct*)
7. PS4 = Staff -on-Youth Sexual Harassment or Voyeurism (*Department of Justice SSV-5 Title: Staff Sexual Harassment*)

2013 – 2017 Yearly Allegation Comparison Report

PREA Codes	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
PY1 - Unwanted Penetration	26	13	6	12	21
PY2 -Unwanted Touching (Non-Penetration)	50	56	53	30	27
PY3 - Harassment	64	58	60	66	51
PS1 - Sexual Penetration	14	4	3	7	3
PS2 - Non Penetration (Touching)	19	23	17	20	9
PS3 - Indecent Exposure	2	0	0	1	0
PS4 - Harassment	22	29	19	15	12
Total Alleged PREA Incidents	197	183	158	151	123

2017 Results of the DOJ Survey of Sexual Violence (SSV-5)

General Information: Section #1 - Data Summary

Q1	On December 31, 2017, how many facilities operated by GA DJJ held juveniles offenders charged with or court-adjudicated for an offense. <i>Note: Data includes only state operated secure facilities (RYDCs & YDCs)</i>	25
Q2	On December 31, 2017, the total number of residents held in the 25 reported facilities.	1,190
Q2A	On December 31, 2017, the total number of male residents.	1,069
Q2B	On December 31, 2017, the total number of female residents.	121
Q3A	On December 31, 2017, the total number of residents age under 18 or younger.	1,036
Q3B	On December 31, 2017, the total number of residents age 18 to 20.	154
Q3C	On December 31, 2017, the total number of residents age over 21 or older.	121
Q4A	On December 31, 2017, the total number of residents admitted. <i>Note: Distinct count of juvenile admissions between January 1, 2017, and December 31, 2017.</i>	5,982
Q4B	On December 31, 2017, the total number of residents discharged. <i>Note: Distinct count of juvenile releases between January 1, 2017, and December 31, 2017.</i>	6,214

2017 DOJ Survey of Sexual Violence Results (SSV-5)

1. Non-Consensual Sexual Acts-PY1 = 5 Substantiated / 0 Unfounded	4. Staff Sexual Misconduct-PS1,PS2 & PS3 = 1 Substantiated/ 0 Unfounded
2. Abusive Sexual Contact-PY2 = 7 Substantiated / 0 Unfounded	5. Staff Sexual Harassment- PS4 = 1 Substantiated/ 0 Unfounded
3. Sexual Harassment-PY3 = 12 Substantiated / 4 Unfounded	
<i>Youth-on-Youth Total 24 Substantiated / 4 Unfounded</i>	<i>Staff-On-Youth Total 2 Substantiated / 0 Unfounded</i>

The Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice collects accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse and harassment at state-operated juvenile facilities, privately operated secure facilities, and community programs. However, the 2017 data collection for the US Department of Justice Survey of Sexual Violence report (SSV-5) requires data from only Georgia State-operated juvenile facilities (Regional Detention Centers – (RYDC); Youth Development Campuses – (YDC).

Staff-On-Youth Substantiated Incidents (SSV-5 Report)

Code	Incident	Location	Results/Final Disposition	Referred for Prosecution
PS2	201711496	Clayton RYDC	Termination – Employee Misconduct/Warrant taken but resented Administratively.	Yes
PS4	201701908	Thomasville RYDC	Termination – Violation of Laws or Rules	No

2017 PREA Audit Methodology

The Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 (PREA) requires that Governors must certify that their respective states are in full compliance with the standards associated with 28 C.F.R. Part 115 (PREA), which took effect on August 20, 2012. These standards apply to state and local confinement facilities, categorized as jails and prisons, community confinement facilities, lockups, and juvenile facilities.

All Georgia DJJ facilities are categorized as Juvenile Facilities. The facilities types are Regional Youth Detention Centers (RYDC), and Youth Development Campuses (YDC).

The agency has 25 secure facilities which are state-operated. All are covered under Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Juvenile Facility Standards.

The Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice contracted with US Department of Justice Certified Juvenile PREA Auditors to conduct required PREA audits. Each DJJ secure facility was audited on the required 41 standards and 350 plus provisions.

2017 Facilities Audit Results (August 20, 2016 – August 19, 2017)

One third of DJJ facilities were audited in 2017. Nine facilities received final PREA Reports resulting in 100%.

State	Facility & Facility Type	Year	Cycle	On Site Date(s)	Final Report Date	Compliance Determination
GA	Muscogee YDC/ (Youth Development Campus)	Year 1	Cycle 2	February 13-14, 2017	April 16, 2017	Full Compliance
GA	Elbert Shaw RYDC (Dalton) / (Detention)	Year 1	Cycle 2	February 14-15, 2017	April 16, 2017	Full Compliance
GA	Bob Richards RYDC (Rome) / (Detention)	Year 1	Cycle 2	February 15-16, 2017	April 16, 2017	Full Compliance
GA	Crisp RYDC / Juvenile (Detention)	Year 1	Cycle 2	February 27, 2017	April 16, 2017	Full Compliance
GA	Eastman RYDC / Juvenile (Detention)	Year 1	Cycle 2	March 8-9, 2017	April 16, 2017	Full Compliance
GA	Claxton RYDC / Juvenile (Detention)	Year 1	Cycle 2	March 9-10, 2017	April 16, 2017	Full Compliance
GA	Macon YDC / (Youth Development Campus)	Year 1	Cycle 2	March 13-14, 2017	April 22, 2017	Full Compliance
GA	Macon RYDC / Juvenile (Detention)	Year 1	Cycle 2	March 14-15, 2017	April 26, 2017	Full Compliance
GA	Bill Ireland ITU/Youth Development Campus	Year 1	Cycle 2	March 16-17, 2017	April 27, 2017	Full Compliance

Note: All 2017 Reports are posted on DJJ PREA website <http://www.djjnewsandviews.org/preageorgia/preareports.html>
All corrective actions were completed with the 30 days after the on-site audit.

Conclusion

The Department of Juvenile Justice is committed to working with our federal, state and local partners to reduce and eliminate sexual abuse and sexual harassment in our juvenile secure facilities and community residential programs. The agency works diligently to engage federal and private experts and to obtain technical assistance and resources. The Department of Juvenile Justice will continue to pursue all efforts to develop and implement "Best Practices" in our processes and systems to improve the level of sexual safety for Georgia's youth in confinement and to enhance services for the youth in our care.

Publication Approval:

115.388 Provision "C": The agency's report shall be 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.

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Agency Head – Approval