



ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES
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Subject: PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION ACT (PREA) SCREENING, CLASSIFICATION, EDUCATION, AND MONITORING

- I. AUTHORITY: TCA 4-3-603, TCA 4-3-606, TCA 39-13-501, TCA 39-13-503, TCA 39-16-408, TCA 40-39-202, the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003, 42 U.S.C. 15601 through 15609 (PREA), and Title 28 CFR Part 115.
- II. PURPOSE: To prevent sexual abuse of inmates and residents under the jurisdiction of Tennessee Department of Correction (TDOC).
- III. APPLICATION: All TDOC staff, inmates, residents, other employees as defined within this policy, and privately managed institutions.
- IV. DEFINITIONS:
 - A. Employee: For the purpose of this policy, any full-time or part-time staff member, TRICOR employees, volunteer, vendor, intern, contractor, or employee of a contractor.
 - B. Intersex: A condition usually present at birth that involves reproductive, genetic, or sexual anatomy that does not seem to fit the typical definitions of female or male.
 - C. Need to know: A criterion for limiting access of certain sensitive information to individuals who require the information to make decisions or take action with regard to an inmate's safety or treatment or to the investigative process.
 - D. PREA Screening System Application: Computer application located on the TDOC intranet that is used to screen inmates upon intake and transfer for their risk of being sexually abused by other inmates or sexually abusive toward other inmates. This application replaces Sexual Aggressor/Victim Classification Screening (CR-3737 for females and CR-3638 for males).
 - E. Resident: Any person confined within a community confinement facility, (e.g. halfway houses and residential confinement supervised transitional centers, etc.)
 - F. Sexual Aggressor/Victim Classification Screening (CR-3737 for females and CR-3638 for males): Forms to be used ONLY for the screening of residents within a TDOC contracted placement, such as halfway houses and residential confinement supervised by the TDOC Division of Community Supervision. (NOTE: these programs will never have intranet access).
 - G. Transgender: A term describing persons whose gender identify and/or expression do not conform to the gender roles assigned to them at birth. Gender identity is determined by medical staff only.

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V. POLICY: It is the policy of the TDOC to provide a safe, humane, and appropriately secure environment, free from threat of sexual abuse and sexual harassment for all inmates, by maintaining a program of prevention, detection, response, investigation, and tracking of all alleged and substantiated sexual assaults. TDOC has zero tolerance for incidences of sexual abuse and sexual harassment within its facilities.

VI. PROCEDURES:

A. Employee Training:

1. All newly-hired employees who undergo basic training at TCA shall receive PREA-related training while there.
2. All new hires who do not attend basic training at TCA shall receive such PREA-related training as part of their institutional orientation.
3. All institutional employees shall receive updated PREA-related training every two years as part of their in-service training curriculum.
4. Central Office staff shall receive PREA-related training every two years that has been approved by the TDOC PREA Coordinator.
5. TCA will be responsible for the development and distribution of the course lesson plans annually. All lesson plans or materials utilized for pre-service and in-service training on inmate sexual assault, abuse and harassment shall be approved by TDOC PREA Coordinator and TDOC General Counsel.

B. Inmate Orientation and Education:

1. The orientation information provided to inmates shall address the following and shall be documented in the inmate file on Orientation Acknowledgement, CR-2110 (See Policy #404.05 for form sample):
 - a. Prevention
 - b. Self-protection
 - c. Reporting sexual assaults/protection from retaliation
 - d. Treatment and counseling
 - e. TDOC zero tolerance for sexual assault and harassment
 - f. Videos provided by TDOC PREA Coordinator
 - g. Use of PREA TIPLINE and information about the telephone number

Information regarding these topics will be approved by the TDOC PREA Coordinator and will be included in the *TDOC Inmate Rules and Regulations Handbook*. Site-specific information is to be provided in the Institutional Handbook.

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2. Inmates who have not received verbal and written PREA orientation and education shall receive information immediately. Documentation of education shall be included in the inmate file on Orientation Acknowledgement, CR-2110.
3. All TDOC and privately managed institutions shall provide PREA-related refresher information and education as directed by the TDOC PREA Coordinator.

C. Screening/Assessing Inmates at Reception Centers:

1. Classification teams or unit management teams from reception/classification units will interview and evaluate all inmates for sexually aggressive/victim tendencies utilizing the PREA Screening System Application located on the TDOC intranet within 72 hours of arrival. User security access to this system shall be requested by the Deputy Warden (Associate Warden at privately managed facilities) to the TDOC PREA Coordinator. Additional information shall be gathered utilizing the Level of Service/Case Management Inventory with a focus on Sections 1.8 Antisocial, Sections 2 (Perpetrator) and Section 4 (Victim). Any conflicting information with the TDOC Sexual Aggressor or Sexual Victim screening should be reported to and resolved by the classification coordinator. The inmate's LS/CMI scores shall be reviewed prior within 30 days and is considered the required rescreening by the PREA standard.
2. The medical staff shall review for a history of aggressive sexual behavior or sexual abuse/victimization, utilizing information from the county officials and the medical/mental health screening on the day of arrival.
3. Inmates arriving at reception centers who will be excluded from an LS/CMI assessment in accordance with Policy #513.04.1, shall receive a PREA screening as any other inmate entering the TDOC system. Within 30 days, the inmate will be rescreened with the PREA screening instrument. Once an inmate has been transferred to the receiving institution, his/her LS/CMI and PREA screening shall be reviewed.
4. Inmates refusing to answer particular questions or not disclosing complete information shall not be disciplined.
5. Decisions concerning individual housing assignments and group activities for inmates who enter TDOC and are identified as Sexual Aggressors or Sexual Victims **are** the responsibility of the unit management team. No inmate shall be searched solely for the purpose of determining gender status or condition, such as intersex, transgender. (See Policy #506.06) This information is strictly need-to-know and shall inform housing, cell assignment, work, education and program assignments with a goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually aggressive. If mental health intervention is indicated, a referral shall be made in accordance with Policy #113.82.

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- a. No male inmate will be double celled (See Policy #506.14.1) until the required screening has been completed. Those inmates who are deemed sexual aggressors or sexual victims will be appropriately housed until assessed by mental health professionals or classification.
- b. Since the Tennessee Prison for Women serves as the female reception/classification center and the reception unit is designed with single cells, the screening shall be completed within 14 days.
- c. Inmates who enter TDOC and are identified as Sexual Aggressors or Sexual Victims on the PREA Screening System Application to the TDOC intranet shall be considered for protective custody placement (See Policy #404.09) or placement in an institutional setting considered more controlled than general population. Clinical services shall be offered to those inmates. Clinical decisions regarding these inmates shall be the responsibility of the medical and mental health staff at the reception center.

6. Referrals and Monitoring:

- a. Any inmate identified as a Sexual Aggressor shall be monitored quarterly by the unit management team and documented on TOMIS screen LCDG for a minimum of one calendar year and is to be re-evaluated at annual re-class.
- b. Inmates who enter TDOC as sex offenders or inmates identified as Sexual Aggressors will be advised of the sex offender treatment/programming eligibility requirements by the counseling or mental health staff involved in the reception and classification process, and that eligibility criteria must be met to be able to enter this program.
- c. Those inmates identified as Victims shall be re-evaluated within 30 days by the mental health staff if placed in segregated housing involuntarily. If extension is necessary, there shall be documentation of the basis for concern for inmate safety and reason for no alternative means of separation.
- d. Inmates who have been separated from the general population shall be re-evaluated every 30 days (in accordance with Title 28 CFR Part 115) to determine whether there is a continuing need for separation.
- e. Inmates identified as transgender or intersex shall be considered on a case-by-case basis. These identified inmates shall be reassessed every six months by the unit management team to review any threats to safety experienced by the inmate.

D. Additional Screening/Assessing:

1. If an inmate has not yet received an assessment utilizing the latest PREA screening instrument, he/she will receive one at his/her next reclassification.

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2. Inmates will be rescreened using the PREA Screening System Application located on the TDOC intranet upon triggering events or referrals that occur based upon observation from staff, upon each occurrence of a guilty finding for a disciplinary of a sexual nature, or upon each confirmed finding of victimization.
3. Any inmate who at any time displays aggressive sexual behavior or the potential for victimization shall be referred to the Deputy Warden/designee (Associate Warden for privately managed facilities) for evaluation utilizing the Sexual Aggressor/Sexual Victim Classification Screening. If mental health intervention is indicated, a referral shall be made in accordance with Policy #113.82.
4. Once an inmate is identified as a Sexual Aggressor or Sexual Victim at any time during his/her incarceration, the inmate shall be evaluated for appropriate housing and programs.

E. Sexual Contact/Harassment between Inmates and Employees (Residents/Employees) and Inmates and Inmates (Residents/Residents):

1. Acts of sexual abuse against inmates/residents, retaliation against inmates/residents who refuse to submit to sexual activity, or intimidation of a witness is prohibited.
2. Retaliation against individuals because of their involvement in the reporting or investigation of sexual assault or sexual contact/harassment is prohibited.
3. All incidents of sexual abuse or related intimidation/retaliation will result in corrective and/or disciplinary action, up to and including termination. Failure of employees to report incidents of sexual assault or sexual contact/harassment will result in corrective and/or disciplinary action.
4. Notification of all cases (regardless of confirmation) involving sexual abuse will be made immediately to the Office of Investigations and Compliance (OIC). When appropriate, the OIC Section will refer such cases to the District Attorney for criminal prosecution. Investigations shall be conducted in accordance with Policy #502.06.2.

- F. The Director of Community Supervision shall ensure that residents are screened within 72 hours of arrival at a TDOC contracted community residential or confinement center and that a documentation process regarding PREA education and notification to residents is in effect.

VII. ACA STANDARDS: 4-4084-1, 4-4281 through 4-4281-8, 4-4371, and 4-4406.

VIII. EXPIRATION DATE: April 15, 2016.



**TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION
FEMALE SEXUAL AGGRESSOR/SEXUAL VICTIM CLASSIFICATION SCREENING**

INSTITUTION

RESIDENT NAME *(Please Print)*

NUMBER

STAFF MEMBER(S) *(Please Print)*

DATE

SEXUAL VICTIM FACTORS

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
1. Former victim of institutional <i>(prison or jail)</i> rape or sexual assault	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Youthful Age (25 or younger) or elderly (60 or older) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Small in physical stature <i>(less than 110 lbs.)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Developmental disability/mental illness/medical issues which may contribute to victimization	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. First incarceration ever <i>(prison or jail)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Homosexual/Bi-sexual	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. History of prior sexual victimization	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. History of facility consensual sex	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Prior history of protective custody <i>(adult or juvenile)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Conviction for sex offenses against an adult or child	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Is the offender found to be a:

- VICTIM** - If question #1 is answered yes, the offender is classified as a **victim** regardless of the other questions.
- POTENTIAL VICTIM** - If 3 or more of questions #2 – 10 are checked, the offender is classified as a **potential victim**.
- N/A** - If 2 or less of questions # 2-10 are checked, the classification designations are Not Applicable (**N/A**).

Do you recommend another victim finding level? YES NO

If yes, which level is recommended? Potential Victim N/A Monitoring YES NO

Explanation: _____

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INSTITUTION

SEXUAL AGGRESSOR FACTORS

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
1. Any history of institutional (<i>prison or jail</i>) sexual aggressor behavior	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Current or prior rape conviction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Any history of sexual abuse/sexual assault toward others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Any history of physical abuse toward others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Any history of domestic violence toward others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Confirmed gang affiliation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Is the offender found to be a:

SEXUAL AGGRESSOR - If question #1 is yes, the offender is classified as a **sexual aggressor** regardless of the other questions.

Any inmate classified as SEXUAL AGGRESSOR is to be monitored quarterly for a minimum of one calendar year and is to be re-evaluated for monitoring purposes at annual re-class.

POTENTIAL SEXUAL AGGRESSOR - If 2 or more of questions #2 – 6 are checked, the offender is classified as a **potential sexual aggressor**.

N/A - If 1 or less of questions # 2 6 are checked, the classification designations are Not Applicable (**N/A**).

Do you recommend another aggressor finding level? YES NO

If yes, which level is recommended?

Potential Sexual Aggressor N/A Monitoring YES NO

LS/CMI Review (if available) especially sections 1.8 and sections 2 (perpetrator and victim) and section 4 (other client issues).

Explanation: _____



**TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION
MALE SEXUAL AGGRESSOR/SEXUAL VICTIM CLASSIFICATION SCREENING**

INSTITUTION

RESIDENT NAME (Please Print)

NUMBER

STAFF MEMBER(S) (Please Print)

DATE

SEXUAL VICTIM FACTORS

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
1. Former victim of institutional (<i>prison or jail</i>) rape or sexual assault	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Youthful Age (25 or younger) or elderly (60 or older) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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4. Developmental disability/mental illness/medical issues which may contribute to victimization	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. First incarceration ever (<i>prison or jail</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Homosexual/Bi-sexual/Effeminate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. History of prior sexual victimization	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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10. Conviction for sex offenses against an adult or child	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Do you recommend another victim finding level? YES NO

If yes, which level is recommended? Potential Victim N/A Monitoring YES NO

Explanation: _____

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INSTITUTION

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