

# JCC–Lewiston Facility PREA Report

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## **In 2014 JCC–Lewiston housed 35 juveniles. During this period there were 11 reports received:**

- 1 Substantiated incident
- 1 Unsubstantiated incident
- 1 Unfounded incident
- 4 Incidents reported which were not PREA (investigated & ruled out)
- 4 Incidents reported which were determined to constitute non-abusive contact

## **In 2015 JCC–Lewiston housed 17 juveniles. During this period there were 22 reports received:**

- 6 Substantiated incidents (all incidents of sexual harassment)
- 1 Unsubstantiated incident
- 1 Unfounded incidents
- 13 Incidents reported which were not PREA (investigated & ruled out)
- 2 Incidents reported which were determined to constitute non-abusive contact

## **Of the 6 substantiated incidents in 2015, listed below is the nature of the incident:**

All 6 substantiated incidents were incidents of sexual harassment and none of the incidents included physical contact. 5 of the 6 incidents involved a particular juvenile who made sexually inappropriate comments towards peers. These comments were at times blatant and made with full staff awareness, other times the juvenile was covert and targeting specific juveniles. Staff responded by redirecting the juvenile or separating him from his peers when he was unresponsive to redirection.

Sexual harassment is difficult to substantiate using the definitions provided within the PREA standards. The fact that it was possible to substantiate 6 incidents of sexual harassment indicates continued improvement in a zero tolerance culture amongst staff and juveniles at the Lewiston Facility. JCC-Lewiston completed a Juvenile Facility PREA compliance audit and is now 100% compliant.

## **Corrective action plans occur following every substantiated incident and some unsubstantiated incidents where measures can be taken that can improve safety. Typical corrective action plans include:**

- Additional training on supervision practices, or a change in supervision practices, to include increased supervision efforts
  - Identification of barriers to adequate supervision and strategies to mitigate
  - Safety Contracts for the juveniles
  - Sanctions for juveniles identified to have engaged in sexual misconduct
  - If appropriate, contact with HR and/or law enforcement
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