



ANNUAL PREA REPORT AND ALLEGATION SUMMARY 2017

The Lake Region Correctional facility (LRCF) is a branch of the Lake Region Law Enforcement Center (LEC). 2017 was a productive year for the Lake Region Correctional Facility as it received a full PREA compliance report on June 8, 2017. This was a result of the PREA audit conducted June 6, 7 and 8, 2017 and is posted on our website at www.lrlec.org.

The LEC PREA Policy was signed into effect by the governing board on February 18, 2015. There were 4 PREA refresher trainings held for staff in 2017. We continue to seek out new and current trainings to keep our staff up to date on any and all PREA changes or concerns.

The LEC has an existing Memo of Understanding (MOU) with Safe Alternatives for Abused Families (SAAF) of Devils Lake to provide 24-hour crisis services, assistance with medical care and one-on-one short term counseling for residents of our facility. SAAF also provides sexual assault advocates to be available for SANE/SAFE examinations.

In 2017 there were 8 PREA allegations made and investigated at the Lake Region RRC. One allegation of staff sexual harassment of a resident was unsubstantiated and one allegation of staff sexual harassment of a resident was unfounded. There are no ongoing investigations of any PREA allegations.

We have reviewed our current staffing plan and found it to be adequate with hopes to be able to boost staff presence in conjunction with potential future facility updates. We have also recognized some improvements that can be made to the existing physical plant of the facility to enhance safety for the residents, some of which we will be taking action on early in 2017.

The LRCF staff has and will continue to work diligently toward adhering to all PREA Standards. While we are proud of the advancements we have made we are dedicated to continue to make improvements and to provide the safest environment possible for our staff and residents.

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