

PREA AUDIT REPORT Interim Final
ADULT PRISONS & JAILS

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Facility mailing address: <i>(if different from above)</i> Click here to enter text.			
Facility telephone number: 803-637-1500			
The facility is:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> State	<input type="checkbox"/> County
	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Municipal	<input type="checkbox"/> Private for profit
	<input type="checkbox"/> Private not for profit		
Facility type:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prison	<input type="checkbox"/> Jail	
Name of facility's Chief Executive Officer: Nanette Barnes, Associate Warden – Operations, Acting Warden; Bonita Mosley, Incumbent Warden			
Number of staff assigned to the facility in the last 12 months: 370; Currently – 336 employed and 34 separated.			
Designed facility capacity: Main facility (FCI) 1536, Satellite Camp (SPC) 512			
Current population of facility: FCI - 1377, SPC - 479			
Facility security levels/inmate custody levels: FCI – Medium, SPC – Minimum/Out/Community Custody			
Age range of the population: 20-86 Years Old			
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AUDIT FINDINGS

NARRATIVE

The onsite PREA (Prison Rape Elimination Act) audit of the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI), Edgefield, South Carolina was conducted from June 28-30, 2016. Prior to the onsite audit, the facility submitted the Pre-Audit Questionnaire and provided a comprehensive set of supporting documents for the responses to the questionnaire. Much of the documentation was in the form of Program Statement (PS), Institution Supplements (IS) and training documentation. Program Statements are agency-wide governing policies provided by the Federal Bureau of Prisons and Institution Supplements stipulate institution specific policies when there is no agency-wide policy or when site specific policy is required to expand on agency Program Statements.

An entrance meeting was held the first day of the audit to discuss any concerns regarding the audit process and finalize the facility tour and interview schedules. The following persons were in attendance: the acting Warden, the Associate Warden – Programs/Institution PREA Compliance Manager (IPCM), the Associate Warden – Operations, the Executive Assistant/Satellite Camp Administrator, the Chief of Psychology/Institution PREA Coordinator, a management analyst from the FBOP Central Office and all facility department heads. A comprehensive tour of the facility and the minimum security satellite camp was completed. The tour included the facility's intake area, all housing units, segregation housing units, health care, recreation, food service, facilities areas, industries, education and programming areas. During the tour, it was noted that there were multiple video cameras and staffing was sufficient to ensure a safe environment for inmates and staff. Signs were posted (in English and Spanish) that indicated that employees of the opposite gender were present on the unit. Inmates were able to shower, dress and use the toilet facilities without exposing themselves to employees of the opposite gender. Informal conversations with employees and inmates regarding the PREA standards were conducted. Postings regarding PREA reporting and the agency's zero tolerance policy for sexual abuse and harassment were prominently displayed in all housing units, common areas and throughout the facility. Audit notice postings with the PREA auditors' contact information were also located in the same areas. There were no letters to this auditor as a result of the audit postings in the housing units. Both the FCI and the satellite camp were clean, orderly and very quiet.

A total of 22 correctional staff were interviewed and included employees from the FCI and satellite camp. Line officers and lieutenants from all shifts were included. All were aware of the agency's zero tolerance policy and knew their responsibilities to protect inmates from sexual abuse/harassment and their duties as first responders as part of a facility's coordinated response. Specialized staff were also interviewed and included the Warden, the IPCM/AW-P, the Chief Psychologist/Institution PREA Coordinator, the facility's chief investigator (SIS Lieutenant), the Human Resources Manager, the health care unit administrator, the director of nursing, volunteers, health care providers and mental health providers. All interviewed staff, contractors and volunteers demonstrated an understanding of the PREA and their responsibilities under the PREA program, relative to their position in the organization and employment status.

Twenty-three inmates were interviewed and were randomly selected from all housing units. One inmate self-identified as being bisexual; one inmate had previously reported an allegation of sexual abuse and three inmates self-identified as being pre-operative transgender. Two limited English proficient inmates were included in the group of 23 inmates. All inmates interviewed demonstrated a good understanding of the PREA program and the prevention, protection and reporting mechanisms.

The agency and facility have had a sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention and intervention program for many years. The facility's movement towards full adoption of the PREA Adult Prison and Jail standards has occurred over the previous 18 months.

A review of the investigative files opened during the past 12 months alleging sexual abuse or sexual harassment was conducted. There were three allegations by inmates of inmate on inmate sexual abuse/assault, one of which required examination and forensic evidence collection by a SANE/SAFE provider in the community. Two of the allegations were determined to be unfounded and one was determined to be unsubstantiated. All investigations were prompt, thorough and well documented. There were no staff on inmate allegations.

DESCRIPTION OF FACILITY CHARACTERISTICS

FCI Edgefield, South Carolina, is part of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, a division of the United States Department of Justice. The facility is located in the extreme western portion of the state of South Carolina, approximately 25 miles northeast of Augusta, Georgia. The facility is part of the Federal Bureau of Prison's Southeast Region. The facility is located on 245 acres, of which 36 acres are within the secure perimeter fence. The Federal Correctional Center (FCI) has three housing units. The satellite prison camp (SPC) is located on 21 acres and has four housing units. FCI Edgefield houses adult male offenders with medium security custody designations, while the satellite camp houses male offenders with a minimum security/out and community custody designations. At the time of the audit, the population of the FCI was 1377 inmates and the population of the satellite camp was 479 inmates. The average daily population for the last 12 months for the FCI was 1455 inmates and for the SPC was 494. The facility does not house youthful offenders.

The facility offers Adult Continuing Education (ACE); General Education Development (GED); Adult Occupational Education; English as a Second Language (ESL); a Parenting Program; a post GED Work Keys Program and vocational technical courses in auto repair, culinary arts and computer skills. The satellite camp offers a 500-hour residential drug abuse program. After completion of the program and placement in a 180-day Residential Re-entry Center, inmates who have a history of non-violence can receive up to a 12-month sentence reduction. Federal Prison Industries employs inmates in the manufacture of textile goods. Inmates are also involved in a variety of community service projects in the local area.

Inmates arrive to the facility from other facilities by the FBOP bus system, by air via the Justice Prison Alien Transport System (JPATS) and through self-commitments. New arrivals receive printed information regarding the facility's PREA program and watch a video that provides additional information about the program. The facility offers medical, dental, mental, health and social services. The design of the prison permits inmates to shower, change clothes and use toilet facilities with an adequate degree of privacy and avoid cross-gender viewing. The FCI contains a small medical observation unit that houses inmates requiring close or frequent monitoring and is sometimes used to shelter inmates who have been determined to be at imminent risk of sexual abuse. Inmates requiring health care beyond the scope of services provided in the facility are transported to providers or a hospital in the community. SANE/SAFE examinations and evidence collection is conducted at Aiken Regional Hospital, in Aiken, South Carolina.

Mission Statements

The mission of the Federal Bureau of Prisons to protect society by confining offenders in the controlled environments of prisons and community-based facilities that are safe, humane, cost-efficient, and appropriately secure, and that provide work and other self-improvement opportunities to assist offenders in becoming law-abiding citizens.

It is the mission of the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI), Edgefield, South Carolina, to provide a safe, secure, and humane environment for inmates and staff. Opportunities for self-improvement including work, education, vocational training, religious, and counseling programs are provided. These programs are designed to assist inmates during confinement and upon release, as well as to facilitate the orderly operation of the institution.

SUMMARY OF AUDIT FINDINGS

Number of standards exceeded: 2

Number of standards met: 39

Number of standards not met: 0

Number of standards not applicable: 2

Standard 115.11 Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA Coordinator

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

Auditor discussion, including the evidence relied upon in making the compliance or non-compliance determination, the auditor's analysis and reasoning, and the auditor's conclusions. This discussion must also include corrective action recommendations where the facility does not meet standard. These recommendations must be included in the Final Report, accompanied by information on specific corrective actions taken by the facility.

Federal Bureau of Prisons (FBOP) Program Statement (PS) 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program and Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Edgefield (EDG) Institution Supplement (IS) 5324.12A, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program address the requirements identified in the standard. The agency has appointed a psychologist assigned to the Correctional Programs Division as their National PREA coordinator. The Warden has appointed the Associate Warden of Programs as the Institution PREA compliance manager (IPCM) and the Chief of Psychology Services as the Institution PREA Coordinator (IPC). The IPCM reports directly to the Warden regarding all PREA related concerns. Interviews with the agency wide coordinator, IPCM and IPC confirmed that each has sufficient time and authority to coordinate efforts to comply with PREA standards. The agency and facility directives outline a zero tolerance policy for all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Offenders are informed orally about the zero-tolerance policy and the PREA program during in-processing procedures, by viewing a video and during admission and orientation procedures. The video is offered in English and in Spanish. Offenders are also informed about the program and zero-tolerance in the Admission and Orientation (A&O) Handbook, a pamphlet and through postings throughout the facility. All written documents are available in English and Spanish. Interpretive services are available for inmates who do not speak or read English or Spanish. All interviews with staff, volunteers, contractors and inmates confirmed that each was aware of the zero-tolerance policy towards all forms of sexual abuse/harassment.

Standard 115.12 Contracting with other entities for the confinement of inmates

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
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The agency meets the requirements of this standard. A review of the documentation submitted confirmed the agency requires other entities contracted for the confinement of inmates (privatized prisons and residential re-entry centers [half-way houses]) to adopt and comply with the PREA standards. All agency contractual agreements were modified to incorporate the language requiring all contractors to adopt and comply with PREA standards. The FCI and SPC does not contract for the confinement of inmates.

Standard 115.13 Supervision and monitoring

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
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FBOP PS 3000.03, Human Resource Management Manual, the facility staffing report and the Workforce Utilization Committee Meeting Minutes address the requirements of the standard. A review of the facility staffing plan and the quarterly Salary and Workforce Utilization Committee Meeting minutes for the previous 12 months were reviewed and confirmed that PREA issues were considered when filling positions. Interviews with the Warden and Human Resource Manager confirmed that the facility considers the items detailed in the standard when developing the staffing plan. The facility and the agency review the staffing plan at least quarterly. The IPCM is a member of the Salary and Workforce Utilization Committee and may provide input as to whether adjustments to the staffing plan may be required to meet PREA requirements. There have been no judicial findings of inadequacy, findings of inadequacy from Federal investigative agencies or findings of inadequacy from internal or external oversight bodies. All essential posts are filled each shift and no essential posts are kept open for salary savings.

The review of Institution Duty Officer unannounced PREA rounds logs confirmed that intermediate-level or higher-level supervisors conduct and document unannounced rounds. Staff are prohibited from alerting other employees regarding unannounced rounds. Interviews with housing unit officers also confirmed that unannounced rounds are conducted by Institution Duty Officers.

Standard 115.14 Youthful inmates

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
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Not applicable. The facility does not house youthful inmates.

Standard 115.15 Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program and PS 5521.06, Searches of Housing Units, Inmates, and Inmate Work Areas address the requirements of the standard. The facility’s rated capacity exceeds 50 inmates and neither the FCI nor the SPC house female inmates. Neither facility permits cross-gender strip searches or cross-gender visual body cavity searches, except in exigent circumstances or when performed by medical practitioners. There were no cross-gender visual body cavity searches conducted in either facility during the audit period. When conducted, officers are required to document all cross-gender strip searches and cross-gender

visual body cavity searches. Interviews with staff confirmed that they were aware of the prohibition of strip searches of the inmates of the opposite sex except in exigent circumstances. Staff interviews also confirmed that that female officers had been trained to conduct cross-gender pat searches. Interviews with male inmates confirmed that none of them had been strip search by female officers. Inmate interviews confirmed that inmates are not delayed or prohibited from attending regularly available programming or other out-of-cell opportunities in order to comply with the standard. As confirmed by observation during the tour of all housing units, inmates are permitted to shower, perform bodily functions, and change clothing without cross-gender viewing of their breasts, buttocks, or genitalia, except in exigent circumstances or when such viewing is incidental to routine cell checks. The agency and facility have a “knock and announce” policy and procedures requiring staff of the opposite sex to announce their presence when entering an inmate housing unit. Inmate interviews confirmed that female staff announce their presence when entering housing units where inmates of the opposite gender are housed. The practice was observed during the tour of the FCI and SPC. Signs indicating that male or female staff are present are posted inside and outside each housing unit. The signs are printed in English and Spanish. A facility wide announcement is made over a loud speaker, at the beginning of each shift that tells inmates that male and female employees are on duty in their units.

Staff do not search or physically examine a transgender or intersex inmate for the sole purpose of determining the inmate’s genital status. There were three self-identified transgender inmates housed in the FCI at the time of the audit. During interviews with all three inmates, they stated that there had never been an occasion when a physical examination, pat search or strip search was conducted for the sole purpose of determining genital status. Interviews with male inmates confirmed that most had been pat-searched by female officers but the search was always conducted in a professional and respectful manner, and in the least intrusive manner possible,

Standard 115.16 Inmates with disabilities and inmates who are limited English proficient

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program and the Admission and Orientation (A&O) handbook address the requirements of the standard. Through policy and practice, the facility ensures that inmates with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency’s efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment. All PREA related information, including postings, brochures and handouts are available in English and in Spanish. Telephonic/video translation services are available through Language Line Solutions for inmates who are not English proficient or inmates who use sign language. The facility also employs staff who are proficient in languages other than English. The facility does not rely on inmate interpreters, inmate readers, or other types of inmate assistants in the performance of first-responder duties or the investigation of an inmate’s allegations. Interviews with first responders, medical, mental health and investigative staff confirmed their awareness of the prohibition for using inmate interpreters for PREA functions. Interviews with non-English proficient inmates confirmed the availability and use of the telephonic interpretive services.

Standard 115.17 Hiring and promotion decisions

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
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FBOP PS 3000.03, Human Resource Management Manual; PS 3420.11, Standards of Employee Conduct; the Pre-Employment Guide; SF85P, the Questionnaire for Public Trust Positions and the BOP Recruitment Flyer address the requirements of the standard. All employees who have contact with inmates have what is described as a full field background investigation in addition to finger printing and inquiry into the FBI's National Crime Information Center (NCIC). Employee backgrounds are re-checked every five years. Contractors and volunteers who have regular contact with inmates also have criminal background checks completed prior to having contact with inmates. The background checks include finger printing and inquiry into the FBI's NCIC database. Volunteer and contractor background checks are repeated yearly. The facility does not hire or promote anyone who may have contact with inmates, and does not enlist the services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates, who has engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution; has been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse; or has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity. The facility considers any incidents of sexual harassment in determining whether to hire or promote anyone, or to enlist the services of any contractor, who may have contact with inmates. Employees have a duty to disclose such misconduct and material omissions regarding such misconduct, or the providing of materially false information, is grounds for termination. Submission of false information by any applicant is grounds for not hiring the applicant. The Human Resources Manager confirmed that the agency attempts to contact prior employers for information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or resignations which occurred during a pending investigation of sexual abuse. The Human Resource Manager also confirmed that the agency, not the FCI Human Resources Department, provides information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involving a former employee upon receiving a request from an institutional employer for whom such employee has applied to work. The agency, not the FCI Human Resources Department notifies appropriate licensing/certifying agencies when professional staff are terminated for substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or harassment.

Standard 115.18 Upgrades to facilities and technologies

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
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Not applicable. The facility has not had any substantial expansion or modification of existing facilities since August 20, 2012. Additionally, there has been no installation or updating of video monitoring systems, electronic surveillance systems, or other monitoring technology since August 20, 2012. This is the facility's first PREA audit.

Standard 115.21 Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program; FCI IS EDG 5324.12A, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program; the Guide for First Responder/Operations Lieutenant -When Approached with an Inmate Allegation of Sexual Abuse or Harassment; PS 6031.04, Patient Care and the PREA Checklist & Instructions address the requirements of the standard. Interviews with correctional and health services personnel confirmed that they were all knowledgeable of the required procedures for obtaining, preserving and securing physical evidence, when sexual abuse is alleged. Staff were aware the Special Investigative Supervisor Team (SIS), Office of Internal Affairs (OIA) or FBI conducted investigations relative to sexual abuse allegations. The agency follows a uniform evidence protocol as described in the U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women publication, "A National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations, Adults/Adolescents".

Victims of sexual assault are referred to health services for initial examination and treatment. Such treatment would be for life preservation only and the victim would be transported to Aiken Regional Hospital in Aiken, South Carolina for examination, treatment and forensic evidence gathering by a SANE/SAFE nurse. All sexual abuse advocacy, examinations, treatment, testing and follow-up care is provided without cost to the victim. The facility has a gratuitous service agreement with Cumbee Center to Assist Abused Persons to provide victim advocacy. The Center has offices in Edgefield, Aiken and Barnwell, South Carolina. Sixteen facility staff members, including six psychology staff have also been trained as victim advocates. Follow up mental health services are provided by the FCI Psychology Services Department and post SANE/SAFE testing and treatment are provided by FCI health care personnel.

The Agency's OIA determines who conducts investigations within the facility. Routinely, administrative investigations are conducted by trained investigators who are full time employees of the facility. Inmate on inmate criminal investigations would routinely be referred to the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) and staff on inmate criminal investigations would routinely be referred to the Office of the Inspector General (OIG). The Warden generates the referral to the outside agency. The review of training records confirmed that six SIS staff have received investigator training offered by the National Institute of Corrections on the investigation of sexual abuse and harassment in confinement settings.

Standard 115.22 Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investigations

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. Policy requires administrative or criminal investigations to be completed on all allegations of sexual abuse/harassment. Administrative investigations are routinely assigned for completion by the Special Investigative Supervisor (SIS). If, during the course of an investigation, evidence surfaces indicating criminal misconduct, the case would be referred to the FBI for criminal investigation. The Special Investigative Supervisor was interviewed and was aware of his responsibilities in the investigative process. The Agency has 253 trained investigators. The FBI would conduct criminal investigations for the facility involving inmate on inmate sexual abuse and the OIG would investigate staff on inmate sexual abuse.

No allegations of sexual abuse/harassment required referral to the FBI or OIG. A review of training documents confirmed that facility investigators received instruction in conducting sexual assault investigations in confined spaces/prisons.

Standard 115.31 Employee training

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the

relevant review period)

- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program and EDG IS 5324.12A, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program address the requirements of the standard. All FBOP employees are considered correctional workers and all new employees attend training at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center. Training addresses all of the topics identified in the standard. Related education is provided annually during refresher training. The review of lesson plans, training logs, and PREA PowerPoint presentations confirmed that the provided training addressed all elements identified in the standard. Staff must acknowledge in writing their understanding of the PREA. As confirmed by observation, all staff are issued and carry first responders cards detailing their duties and responsibilities related to the PREA. Staff training files were reviewed and contained documentation supporting compliance to this standard. All staff interviewed indicated that they received the required PREA training initially and annually.

Standard 115.32 Volunteer and contractor training

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program and EDG IS 5324.12A, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program address the requirements of the standard. The review of volunteer and contractor PREA training sign in forms and individual certifications of receipt of training affidavits confirmed that all facility contractors and volunteers have received training related to their responsibilities concerning the PREA (zero-tolerance, detection, prevention, response, and reporting requirements) during the previous twelve months. All training is documented. Contractor and volunteer interviews confirmed that the training was provided and that they understood the agency's zero-tolerance policy for sexual abuse and harassment and their responsibilities under the program. The review of the PREA contractor and volunteer PowerPoint presentation confirmed that the level of training is appropriate for the services provided and emphasizes the facility's zero-tolerance and reporting policies.

Standard 115.33 Inmate education

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program and EDG IS 5324.12A, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program address the requirements of the standard. During in-processing procedures, each inmate receives a pamphlet describing the agency's Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program. The pamphlet identifies the key elements of the program and informs them of the zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual assault and multiple ways to report sexual abuse/harassment. The pamphlet also informs the inmate that both male and female staff routinely work and visit the housing units. The pamphlet is available in English and Spanish. During their first 30 days in the facility, a mental health provider conducts an education program regarding the PREA. The program includes definitions of sexually abusive behavior and sexual harassment, prevention strategies and reporting modalities. Inmates also view a comprehensive orientation video that explains the facility's zero-tolerance policy and covers the inmate's right to be free from sexual abuse, sexual harassment, and retaliation. Inmates also have access to TRULINCS, a computer program which also provides PREA information and a reporting outlet.

Staff and telephonic/video translation services are available to inmates who are not proficient in English or speak sign language. Inmate interviews confirmed that they received PREA information and they were aware of numerous reporting methods to include anonymous and third party reporting, the zero-tolerance policy and their right to be free from retaliation. The tour of the facility confirmed that PREA education posters were prominently displayed in all housing units and common areas.

Standard 115.34 Specialized training: Investigations

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program; the SIS/SIA Training Lesson Plan; Sexual Violence PREA Training and DOJ/OIG PREA Training address the requirements of the standard. The SIS staff and FBI criminal investigators have received PREA specialized training at the National Institute of Corrections and through the Department of Justice. This auditor reviewed specialized training documentation, to include the SIS/SIA Training Instructor Guide, the FBOP Course Completion List for Investigating Sexual Abuse in a Confinement Setting training and the OIG PREA Criminal Investigator Certification Training List. Administrative investigations are conducted by trained investigators who are full time employees of the facility. When criminal investigations are indicated, they are conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation or the Office of the Inspector General.

Standard 115.35 Specialized training: Medical and mental health care

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program and EDG IS 5324.12A, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program address the requirements of this standard. When required, both medical and mental health providers

are available for immediate call back to the facility. The review of medical and mental health personnel training records confirmed that health care staff receive the same PREA training as officers and have a duty to report when they have knowledge of sexual abuse/assault, even when disclosed in the course of a health care encounter. The review of training records confirmed that all mental health and medical staff have received specialized training on victim identification, interviewing, reporting, and required clinical interventions. Training does not refer to certifications needed to conduct forensic examinations. All cases requiring the processing of sexual assault evidence collection kits are transported to Aiken Regional Hospital in Aiken, South Carolina, where SANE and SAFE nurses are available at all times. Interviews with medical and mental health staff confirmed they are aware of their duty to report allegations and suspicions of sexual abuse/harassment.

Standard 115.41 Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. All inmates are immediately assessed for a history of sexual abusiveness and risk of sexual victimization during in-processing procedures performed in the receiving and discharge (R&D) area. Also during in-processing procedures, all inmates complete a self-disclosure questionnaire check sheet. Policy prohibits disciplining inmates for refusing to answer or for not disclosing complete information during the screening. A member of the inmate’s unit team (case manager or counselor) screens all new arrivals within the first 72 hours of the inmate’s arrival, but ordinarily within four hours of arrival. The review of documents confirmed that inmates identified at high risk for sexual victimization or at risk of sexually abusing other inmates were referred to a mental health professional and all received further assessment. Staff also conduct screenings by reviewing records or other information from other facilities. The unit team member reviews all relevant information from other facilities and continues to reassess an inmate's risk level within 30 days of his arrival. Staff and inmate interviews, a review of documentation, and observations of the intake process confirmed this information. Information received during the screening is only available to staff with a need to know and never to other inmates.

Standard 115.42 Use of screening information

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. Risk screening information is used to determine housing, bed, work, education, and program assignments with the goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive. Determinations for these assignments are made on a case-by-case basis to ensure the safety of each inmate. The agency decides whether to assign a transgender or intersex inmate to a facility for male or female inmates. The facility determines other housing and programming assignments for transgender or intersex inmates on a case-by-case basis, whether a placement would ensure the inmate’s health and safety and whether the placement would present management or security problems. Placement and programming assignments for each transgender or intersex inmate are reassessed at least once every six months. Transgender or intersex inmate’s own views with respect to his or her own safety is given serious consideration when making these assignments. Transgender and intersex inmates are given the opportunity to shower, dress and use toilet facilities separately from other inmates. Interviews with three self-identified transgender inmates confirmed that the inmates meet at least every six months with mental health providers; are able to shower privately and the inmate’s own views with respect to their safety are given serious consideration. All three transgender inmates stated that they routinely meet more frequently than every six months with mental health

providers. The interview with the agency's national PREA coordinator confirmed that a transgender inmate's genital status is not the sole criteria for placement in a specific facility.

Standard 115.43 Protective custody

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. The FCI's special housing unit (SHU) houses both administrative and disciplinary cases. Policy states inmates at high risk for sexual victimization shall not be placed in involuntary SHU status unless an assessment of all available alternatives has been made and there's no available means of separating the inmate from the abuser. The inmates are reassessed every 7 days after entering the SHU. Over the previous 12 months there were three allegations of sexual abuse/assault. Two of the allegations were made by the same inmate. This inmate was placed in the SHU for his protection due to the allegation being made against an influential member of a security threat group. During that time, he was medically and psychologically assessed. The other inmate alleging sexual abuse/assault was not placed in the SHU. Interviews with SHU officers confirmed that to the extent possible, access to programs, privileges, education and work opportunities are not limited to inmates placed in a special housing unit for the purposes of protective custody, except when there are safety or security concerns. The facility would document the reasons for restricting access and the length of time the restriction would last. Mental health staff routinely meet with each inmate in segregation status at least once each week. A Safeguarding of Inmates Alleging Sexual Abuse/Assault Allegation form is completed when considering all appropriate alternatives for safeguarding alleged inmate victims.

Standard 115.51 Inmate reporting

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program; EDG IS 5324.12A, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program; the Admission and Orientation (A&O) Handbook and PREA postings address the requirements of the standard. A review of documentation indicated that there are multiple ways (including verbally, in writing, privately, from a third party, and anonymously) for inmates to report sexual abuse or harassment. Inmates are informed about the reporting methods through the A&O handbook, postings in the housing units and common areas and as part of the orientation video. Inmates also have access to TRULINCS, a computer program which also provides PREA information and a reporting outlet. Through TRULINCS, the inmate can contact the Office of the Inspector General anonymously and the email is untraceable at the institution level. During the tour of the facility, TRULINCS computers were noted in each housing unit. The tour of the facility also confirmed that there were numerous posters and other documents on display, explaining the reporting procedures. Staff accept reports made verbally, in writing, anonymously and from third parties and promptly document any form of reporting. Staff are required to immediately document any allegation. Family and friends of inmates may

report sexual abuse/harassment by using the FBOP website. All inmates interviewed confirmed that they were aware of at least three methods of reporting sexual abuse/assault allegations. Inmates at FCI Edgefield are not detained solely for civil immigration purposes.

Standard 115.52 Exhaustion of administrative remedies

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 1330.17, Administrative Remedy addresses the requirements of the standard. The Administrative Remedy process is the FBOP’s grievance system. A BP 229 Administrative Remedy form is filed at the institution level; a BP 230 form is the regional level of addressing Administrative Remedies and a BP 231 form is filed with the FBOP Central Office when the inmate believes he has not received appropriate responses from the institution or regional levels. Policy states that there is no time frame for filing a grievance relating to sexual abuse or harassment and does not require an inmate to use any informal grievance process before filing an allegation involving sexual abuse/harassment. Inmates who allege sexual abuse may submit a grievance without submitting it to a staff member who is the subject of the complaint. Policy states that matters in which specific staff involvement is alleged may not be investigated by either staff alleged to be involved or by staff under their supervision. Allegations of physical abuse by staff shall be referred to the Office of Internal Affairs (OIA) in accordance with procedures established for such referrals. Policy addresses the filing of emergency administrative remedy requests. If an inmate files the emergency grievance with the institution and believes he is under a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, an expedited (BP 229) response is required to be provided within 48 hours. Best efforts are made to provide regional (BP 230) and central office (BP 231) expedited appeal responses within five calendar days. If the inmate does not receive a response within the time allotted for reply, the inmate may consider the absence of a response to be a denial at that level. Inmates may also file “sensitive” administrative remedies regarding allegations of sexual abuse. If an inmate reasonably believes the issue is sensitive and the inmate’s safety or well-being would be placed in danger if the remedy became known at the institution, the inmate may submit the remedy directly to the appropriate Regional Director. “Sensitive” grievances would be processed in accordance with the administrative remedies program statement.

There is no prohibition that limits third parties, including fellow inmates, staff members, family members, attorneys, and outside advocates, to assist inmates in filing requests for administrative remedies (grievances) relating to allegations of sexual abuse, and are permitted to file such requests on behalf of inmates. Policy does not prohibit the agency from disciplining an inmate for filing a grievance related to alleged sexual abuse, where the agency demonstrates that the inmate filed the grievance in bad faith.

There were no allegations of sexual abuse/harassment made using the administrative remedy process over the previous 12 months.

Standard 115.53 Inmate access to outside confidential support services

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. Although the facility does house inmates who have immigration detainers, no inmates housed in this facility are detained solely for civil immigration purposes. Confidential counseling services are available through Cumbee Center to Assist Abused Persons to provide victim advocacy. The Center has offices in Edgefield, Aiken and Barnwell, South Carolina. As confirmed by document review, the facility has a gratuitous service agreement with this Center. Additionally, sixteen facility staff members, including six psychology staff have also been trained as victim advocates. The facility enables reasonable communication between inmates and these organizations and agencies in as confidential a manner as possible. Inmates are informed as part of their orientation process that all telephone calls are subject to monitoring and recording and that all mail, except for legal mail, is subject to monitoring as well. Inmates are informed that emails to the Office of the Inspector General through TRULINCS - Request to Staff tab and selecting the Department Mailbox titled, DOJ Sexual Abuse are not monitored by the facility or FBOP. Postings in the housing units and common areas; the PREA pamphlet issued upon the inmate's arrival and the A&O handbook provide the address of the OIG and explain that inmates may confidentially submit written allegations of sexual abuse/harassment to this entity.

Standard 115.54 Third-party reporting

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP pamphlet "Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention"; the Admission and Orientation Handbook; PREA posters throughout the facility; the posted Office of Inspector General address and the FBOP website: http://www.bop.gov/inmate_programs/sa_prevention_reporting.jsp address the requirements of the standard. The website and posted notices assist third party reporters on how to report allegations of sexual abuse. Interviews with staff and inmates confirmed that they were aware that anonymous and third-party reporting procedures were available.

Standard 115.61 Staff and agency reporting duties

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program; EDG IS 5324.12A, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and PS 3420.11, Standards of Employee Conduct address the requirements of the standard. All staff, contractors and volunteers are required to report information or suspicion regarding sexual abuse or harassment or any staff neglect or violation that may contribute to an incident or retaliation. The reporting is ordinarily made to the shift operations lieutenant. Policy requires the information concerning the identity of the alleged inmate victim and the specific facts of the case are limited to staff who need-to-know because of their involvement with the victim's welfare and the investigation of the incident. Interviews with employees, contractors and volunteers confirmed they were aware of their reporting duties. Additional compliance with all aspects of the standard was verified through document and policy review. The facility does not house inmates under the age of 18.

Standard 115.62 Agency protection duties

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. Staff interviews confirmed they were aware of their responsibilities when they become aware or suspect that an inmate is being sexually abused or sexually harassed. All staff indicated they would act immediately to protect the inmate by separating and protecting the victim from the abuser and calling for assistance. All staff are issued a pocket size PREA Standard/First Responder Guideline that outlines their responsibilities. During the audit period, two inmates were identified as possibly being sexually victimized. As a result, the inmates were considered to be at imminent risk for further sexual abuse and protection actions were initiated. One inmate was placed in the SHU and the other did not require SHU placement.

Standard 115.63 Reporting to other confinement facilities

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. Policy requires the reporting of any PREA related allegation by an inmate that occurred at another facility to the Warden of the facility where the incident is alleged to have occurred, by the Warden of the facility in which the inmate is currently housed. When the inmate reports sexual abuse/harassment from non-Bureau secure privatized facilities, jails, juvenile facilities, and Residential Reentry Centers (half-way houses), the Warden contacts the appropriate office of the facility, and notifies the Privatization Management or the Residential Reentry Management Branches, as appropriate. The notification is to occur as soon as possible, but always within 72 hours of receiving the allegation. Policy also requires that an investigation be initiated. During the audit period, there were no inmates who alleged that they were sexually abused/harassed at another facility. The Warden maintains a log of such notifications. When notified by other Wardens that an inmate alleges they were sexually abused/harassed at FCI Edgefield, the Warden initiates an investigation.

Standard 115.64 Staff first responder duties

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program and EDG IS 5324.12A, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention address the requirements of the standard. All staff interviewed were knowledgeable concerning their first responder responsibilities when learning of an allegation of sexual abuse/harassment. All staff indicated they would separate the inmates, secure the area as a crime scene, not allow inmates to destroy any evidence and contact the operations lieutenant and health care providers. All staff are issued and carry a pocket sized PREA first responder card for quick reference.

Standard 115.65 Coordinated response

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program and EDG IS 5324.12A, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention address the requirements of the standard. Additionally, a pamphlet titled “One Source First Responder Reference Guide -Sexual Assault Crisis Intervention” provides guidance to employees regarding the expected coordinated actions to take place in response to an incident of sexual abuse/harassment. The policies provide direction to security, medical and mental health practitioners, investigators, community providers/advocates and facility leadership. Staff interviews confirmed that they were knowledgeable regarding their responsibilities in the coordinated response..

Standard 115.66 Preservation of ability to protect inmates from contact with abusers

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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The Master Agreement between the FBOP and the Council of Prison Locals was reviewed and does not limit the agency’s ability to remove alleged staff sexual abusers from contact with any inmates pending the outcome of an investigation or of a determination of whether and to what extent discipline is warranted

Standard 115.67 Agency protection against retaliation

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)

- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. The Warden has appointed the Institution PREA Coordinator as the retaliation monitor. At the time of the onsite audit, retaliation monitoring was performed by mental health providers who routinely meet with individuals who allege sexual abuse/harassment or cooperate with the investigation of an allegation. The meetings occur periodically over a minimum of at least 90 days, unless initial monitoring indicates a continuing need. Periodic monitoring includes a review of job changes, housing/program changes, disciplinary reports, reassignments of staff and negative performance reviews. There were no incidents of retaliation reported for the year prior to the audit.

Standard 115.68 Post-allegation protective custody

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. Policy requires staff to assess and consider all appropriate alternatives for safeguarding alleged inmate victims of sexual abuse/harassment. Staff must first consider other alternatives based on the circumstances of the allegation before considering placing an inmate in protective custody or transferring the inmate to another federal, state, or local correctional facility. To aid in that decision, policy requires the facility to complete the FBOP’s Safeguarding of Inmates Alleging Sexual Abuse/Assault Allegation form. The form serves to document consideration of all options. Interviews with staff and the tour of the facility confirmed that there are usually viable alternatives to placing victims of sexual abuse/harassment in involuntary segregated housing (SHU). Inmates who allege to have suffered sexual abuse may not be placed in involuntary segregated housing unless an assessment of all available alternatives has been made, and a determination has been made that there is no available alternative means of separation from likely abusers. To the extent possible, access to programs, privileges, education and work opportunities are not limited to inmates placed in a special housing unit or the facility infirmary for the purposes of protective custody. The facility would document the reasons for restricting access and the length of time the restriction would last.

Over the previous 12 months there were three allegations of sexual abuse/assault. Two of the allegations were made by the same inmate. This inmate was placed in SHU for his protection due to the allegation being made against an influential member of a security threat group. This was not an involuntary placement. The special housing unit placement continued for over 30 days. A review of documentation confirmed that the FBOP’s Safeguarding of Inmates Alleging Sexual Abuse/Assault Allegation form was completed and used to determine that there was no available alternative means of separation from likely abusers. During that time, he was medical and psychologically assessed as prescribed by policy. The other inmate alleging sexual abuse/assault was not placed in protective custody. Documentation was available to show that a review was conducted every 30 days to determine the continuing need for separation from the general population.

Standard 115.71 Criminal and administrative agency investigations

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)

- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. The institution’s Special Investigation Supervisor (SIS) conducts administrative investigations within the facility. When an allegation appears to be criminal in nature, the SIS Supervisor, in conjunction the FBOP’s Office of Internal Affairs and the facility Warden will refer the incident to the FBI for a criminal investigation if the investigation involves an inmate on inmate allegation. Staff on inmate criminal investigations are conducted by the Office of the Inspector General. The FBI or OIG investigator consults with the Assistant U.S. Attorney to determine if prosecution is to be pursued. If the FBI or OIG substantiates the allegation, the case is referred to the United States Attorney for possible prosecution. Although there were three allegations of inmate on inmate sexual assault made over the previous 12 months, none were substantiated and there were no referrals for criminal investigations. The credibility of an alleged victim, suspect, or witness is assessed on an individual basis and is not determined by the person’s status as inmate or staff. The agency does not require an inmate who alleges sexual abuse to submit to a polygraph examination or other truth-telling device as a condition for proceeding with the investigation of such an allegation.

The review of three case files of inmates alleging sexual abuse/harassment revealed that all investigations were completed promptly and thoroughly.

Standard 115.72 Evidentiary standard for administrative investigations

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. The evidence standard is a “preponderance of the evidence” in determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated. Investigators were aware of the evidence standard.

Standard 115.73 Reporting to inmates

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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corrective actions taken by the facility.

FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. The facility conducts administrative investigations. There were three allegations of inmate on inmate sexual abuse/harassment over the previous 12 months. A review of documentation confirmed that in all three instances, the inmate was informed in writing regarding the results of the investigation. When the allegation involves staff, the inmate would be informed if the staff member is no longer posted within their housing unit; is no longer employed at this facility; if the staff member was indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility or the agency learned that the staff member was convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility.

Standard 115.76 Disciplinary sanctions for staff

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
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FBOP PS 3420.11, Standards of Employee Conduct and FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program address the requirements of the standard. Staff are subject to disciplinary sanctions for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies. There have been no reported cases of inmates engaging in sex with staff and in the past 12 months, no staff members were disciplined or terminated for violation of agency policy. The Master Agreement between the FBOP and Council of Prison Locals American Federation of Government Employees allows for disciplinary sanctions against staff, including termination for sexual abuse or sexual harassment of an inmate. All terminations for violations of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies, or resignations by staff who would have been terminated if not for their resignation are reported to law enforcement agencies and to any relevant professional/certifying/licensing agencies by the agency, unless the activity was clearly not criminal.

Standard 115.77 Corrective action for contractors and volunteers

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 3420.11, Standards of Employee Conduct and FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program address the requirements of the standard. Any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse would be prohibited from contact with inmates and would be reported to law enforcement agencies and relevant professional/licensing/certifying bodies unless the activity was clearly not criminal in nature. In cases that were not criminal in nature, the facility would take appropriate remedial measures, and consider whether to prohibit further contact with inmates. During the previous year there were no incidents where a contractor or volunteer was accused or found guilty of sexual abuse or sexual harassment at FCI Edgefield.

Standard 115.78 Disciplinary sanctions for inmates

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS, 5270.09, Inmate Discipline Program and FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program address the requirements of the standard. The Inmate Discipline Program defines sexual assault of any person, involving non-consensual touching by force or threat of force as the greatest severity level prohibited act. The program identifies engaging in sexual acts and making sexual proposals or threats to another as a high severity level prohibited act. Consensual sex of any nature is prohibited. Sanctions are commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the abuse committed, the inmate’s disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other inmates with similar histories. Inmates are subject to disciplinary sanctions pursuant to the formal disciplinary process defined in the Inmate Discipline Program. The FBOP does not discipline inmates who make an allegation in good faith, even if an investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation. Interviews with investigators confirmed compliance to this standard. The disciplinary process considers whether an inmate’s mental disabilities or mental illness contributed to the inmate’s behavior when determining what type of sanction, if any, should be imposed. If mental disabilities or mental illness is a factor, the facility considers the offer of therapy, counseling or other interventions designed to address and correct underlying reasons or motivations for the abuse. Consensual sex between inmates does not constitute sexual abuse.

Standard 115.81 Medical and mental health screenings; history of sexual abuse

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

Auditor discussion, including the evidence relied upon in making the compliance or non-compliance determination, the auditor’s analysis and reasoning, and the auditor’s conclusions. This discussion must also include corrective action recommendations where the facility does not meet standard. These recommendations must be included in the Final Report, accompanied by information on specific corrective actions taken by the facility.

FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. Interviews with medical, mental health and specialized staff confirm the facility has a comprehensive system for collecting medical and mental health information and has the capacity to provide continued re-assessment and follow-up services. The review of completed psychology’s “Risk of Sexual Victimization” and “Risk of Sexual Abusiveness” forms confirmed that inmates who disclosed prior victimization during screening were offered a follow up meeting with medical or mental health staff. Treatment services are offered without financial cost to the inmate. As confirmed by observation and review of intake screening documents, screening for prior sexual victimization in any setting is conducted by unit team staff and professionals during in-processing procedures. If the screening indicates the inmate experienced prior sexual victimization, staff ensures that the inmate is offered a follow-up meeting with a medical or mental health practitioner within 14 days. The meeting is usually completed on the same day or within three days. In-processing procedures also screen for previous sexual assaultive behavior in an institutional setting or in the community. Staff ensure that the inmate is offered a follow-up meeting with a mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening. Information related to sexual victimization or abusiveness is limited to medical and mental health practitioners and other staff with a need-to-know for treatment plans, security, housing, work, program assignments and management decisions. Signed and dated informed consents are obtained from inmates before reporting about prior sexual victimization that did not occur in an institutional setting. The facility does not house inmates under the age of 18.

Standard 115.82 Access to emergency medical and mental health services

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program, EDG IS 5324.12A, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and FBOP PS 6031.04, Patient Care address the requirements of the standard. FCI Edgefield medical and mental health staff provide services to both the main facility and the minimum security satellite camp. Mental health providers are onsite five days per week and are available for call-back at any time. Inmate victims of sexual abuse receive timely, unimpeded access to emergency medical/mental health treatment and crisis intervention services within the facility or are transported to a health care facility in the community when health care needs exceed the level of care available within FCI Edgefield. Victim advocacy is offered through a gratuitous services agreement with a community provider or one of 16 trained staff members. There is no financial cost to the inmate for any sexual abuse/harassment related incident related medical or mental health care or advocacy service, regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with the incident investigation. Inmate victims of sexual abuse while incarcerated are offered information about and timely access to information on sexually transmitted infection prophylaxis in accordance with professionally accepted standards of care, where medically appropriate. Follow up mental health services and follow up testing and treatment for sexually transmitted diseases are provided within the FCI.

There was one allegation of sexual abuse/assault that required referral to Aiken Regional Hospital for forensic evidence collection by a SANE/SAFE provider. The service was provided at no cost to the inmate.

Standard 115.83 Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
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Auditor discussion, including the evidence relied upon in making the compliance or non-compliance determination, the auditor's analysis and reasoning, and the auditor's conclusions. This discussion must also include corrective action recommendations where the facility does not meet standard. These recommendations must be included in the Final Report, accompanied by information on specific corrective actions taken by the facility.

FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. As confirmed by the review of policy and health records, the facility offers medical and mental health evaluation and, as appropriate, treatment to all inmates who have been victimized by sexual abuse in any prison, jail, lockup, or juvenile facility. The evaluation and treatment of such victims includes appropriate evaluation, treatment and follow-up services. The facility would arrange for referrals for continued care following their transfer to, or placement in, other facilities, or after their release from custody. The facility has a fully staffed medical and mental health department and offers sexual abuse/harassment victims with medical and mental health services consistent with the standard of care available in the community. Offenders, while incarcerated, would be offered testing for sexually transmitted infections as medically appropriate. Treatment services are provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident. Mental health evaluations are conducted of all known inmate-on-inmate abusers within 30 days of learning of such abuse history. When appropriate, treatment is offered by mental health practitioners. The facility does not house female inmates.

Standard 115.86 Sexual abuse incident reviews

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period)
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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program address the requirements of the standard. Administrative and/or criminal investigations are completed on all allegations of sexual abuse/sexual harassment. The SIS and/or the FBI/OIG conduct all investigations. Interviews with the Special Investigative Supervisor confirmed that he was knowledgeable concerning the requirements of the program. FCI Edgefield conducts a sexual abuse incident review at the conclusion of every sexual abuse investigation, unless the allegation was determined to be unfounded. The review team consists of the Warden, the IPCM, Chief Psychologist/Institution PREA Coordinator, a Unit Manager, a member of health services management, investigative staff and the Chief of Security (Captain). Based on interviews with members of the incident review team, the review is conducted within 30 days of the conclusion of the investigation and consideration is given as to whether the incident was motivated by race, ethnicity, gender identity, status or gang affiliation. The team also makes a determination as to whether additional monitoring technology should be added to enhance staff supervision. The facility implements the recommendations for improvement, or documents its reasons for not doing so. Over the previous 12 months there were two unfounded allegations of sexual abuse/assault and one unsubstantiated allegation of sexual abuse/assault. The two unfounded allegations did not require a review by the team and the one unsubstantiated allegation was reviewed by the team within 30 days of the conclusion of the investigation.

Standard 115.87 Data collection

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. As confirmed by observation and review of documents, FCI Edgefield collects accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse/sexual harassment by using a standardized instrument. The agency tracks information concerning sexual abuse using data from facility's Special Investigative Supervisor, (SIS), the agency's Office of Internal Affairs and SENTRY, the FBOP's computerized data management program. The data collected includes the information necessary to answer all questions from the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence, conducted by the Department of Justice. The agency aggregates and reviews all data annually. Upon request, the agency would provide all such data from the previous calendar year to the Department of Justice no later than June 30.

Standard 115.88 Data review for corrective action

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
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relevant review period)

- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective action)

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The Bureau of Prisons and FCI Edgefield reviews and assesses all sexual abuse/sexual harassment data at least annually to improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection and response policies, to identify any trends, issues or problematic areas and to take corrective action if needed. The IPCM forwards data to the respective FBOP Southeast Regional PREA Coordinator. An annual report is prepared and placed on the BOP website. The Annual Report was reviewed by the auditor. The report can be found at the following website address: <https://www.bop.gov>.

Standard 115.89 Data storage, publication, and destruction

- Exceeds Standard (substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
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FBOP PS 5324.12, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention and Intervention Program addresses the requirements of the standard. The National PREA Coordinator reviews data compiled by each FBOP facility, each Regional PREA Coordinator, from the Information, Policy, and Public Affairs Division of the FBOP and from the Office of Internal Affairs (FBOP) and issues a report to the Director of the FBOP on an annual basis. Facility data is maintained in locked files or on computer data bases that are user ID and password protected. Agency PREA data is securely retained and is published on the BOP website after removing all personal identifying information. The required reports cover all data noted in this standard, and is retained in a file.

AUDITOR CERTIFICATION

I certify that:

- The contents of this report are accurate to the best of my knowledge.
- No conflict of interest exists with respect to my ability to conduct an audit of the agency under review, and
- I have not included in the final report any personally identifiable information (PII) about any inmate or staff member, except where the names of administrative personnel are specifically requested in the report template.



July 26, 2016

Auditor Signature

Date