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Clarke County Short Term Juvenile Detention Facility Annual Report September 5, 2024

To become compliant with the Prison Rape Elimination Act, the Clarke County Short Term Juvenile Detention Facility implemented a PREA policy and procedures manual, as well as staff training in 2016. Our facility was already compliant in many areas of the required standards. The assigned PREA Coordinator made sure all areas of non-compliance was corrected and standards implemented. Our facility's administration will do an annual review of our PREA procedures and make changes if needed.

The Clarke County Short Term Juvenile Detention Facility has a zero tolerance for any acts of sexual abuse, assault, misconduct or harassment. Sexual activity between staff, volunteers or contracted personnel and youth, as well as between youth and youth is prohibited and subject to administrative and criminal disciplinary sanctions. The CCSTJDF staff shall take prudent measures to ensure the safety of both youth and staff. All employees, contractors, volunteers and youth shall have a clear understanding that a sexual relationship with an individual under the CCSTJDF supervision is strictly prohibited and is a serious breach of employee conduct. All contracts with providers shall include the contracting entity's obligation to adopt and comply with the PREA standards outlined in the CCSTJDF PREA policy. Contracted providers will be subject to PREA audits, including contract monitoring to ensure compliance.

A review of the incident data collected for 2022-2023 reflects no incidents of sexual abuse or harassment and no corrective actions. The previous year, 2021-2022 reflects no incidents of sexual abuse or harassment and no corrective actions.

This report contains no personal identifying information.

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