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The Madison County Juvenile Detention Center, a division of Madison County Juvenile Court Services mandates a zero tolerance toward all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

The Prison Rape Elimination Act of September, 2003 (PREA), was enacted by Congress to address the problem of sexual assault in all US penal and detention facilities.

PREA supports the elimination, reduction and prevention of sexual assault/rape and abuse within our facility. PREA applies to Offender-on Offender and Staff-on Offender sexual misconduct.

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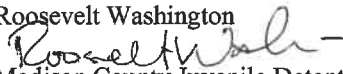
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The Madison County Juvenile Detention Center has long embraced the principles associated with the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 (PREA). Years prior to PREA being passed, the MCJDC had taken steps to train staff on prohibited contact and inappropriate relationships in an effort to prevent sexual abuse within the facility.

After the new Federal PREA standards were passed, the MCJDC appointed a PREA Coordinator to develop, implement and oversee the Department's efforts to comply with the PREA standards. Although the MCJDC was already practicing many of the required standards, it was important to complete an analysis to identify areas that needed revision. Once we completed this analysis, we developed a strategic plan to guide our compliance efforts.

Through our strategic plan developed in 2013-2014 we were able to bring areas of non-compliance into compliance. One example of the progress toward meeting the PREA standards is improved training for all staff, contractors and volunteers. We have made revisions to policies to guide our staff and offenders regarding incidents of sexual abuse. We have established a PREA Compliance Manager within the facility. We have established and implemented both internal and external ways to report an alleged incident, to ensure multiple ways to report incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The facility has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the WO/Men's Rape Assistance Program (WRAP), to provide offenders with necessary victim advocacy and support. The Madison County Sheriff's Department has entered into an agreement to assist in investigating allegations of sexual abuse or harassment. We have several training project and events scheduled as we continue working toward compliance.

A review of the incident based data collected for 2022-2023 for MCJDC reflects no incidents of sexual abuse or harassment during this time period. We credit this to steps that were in place before implementing our PREA policy as well as additional training on PREA to become compliant with said policy. For addition information or questions on data collected, please contact us through the Madison County, TN Official website at madisoncountyttn.gov.

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