ANNUAL REPORT ON SEXUAL ASSAULT DATA FY-2016

LUCAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE Lucas County Corrections Center

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I. Introduction

Lucas County Sheriff's Office collects accurate, uniform data on all reported incidents involving sexual misconduct and sexual harassment at Lucas County Correction Center. This is the first report on sexual abuse as a result of the Lucas County Sheriff's Office implementing the PREA standards and will be used to identify problem areas and formulate corrective measures in efforts of reducing future incidents of sexual abuse.

This report has been approved by Major John Sylvester, LCCC Corrections Administrator. All data in this report will be maintained on the website for at least ten years after the date of the initial collection.

II. Data

A. There were two (2) cases of reported inmate-on-inmate sexual allegations in 2016.

<u>9-30-16</u> – Charge: Sexual abuse allegation: After investigating this allegation, it was determined to be unsubstantiated.

12-5-16 - Charge: Sexual harassment. Disposition: Unfounded.

- B. There were no staff-on-inmate sexual assaults or sexual misconduct reported during 2016.
- C. There were no reports of sexual misconduct that occurred at other institutions. There was no incident of sexual misconduct reported to other facilities concerning Lucas County Corrections Center in the year 2016.
- D. Both cases of allegations regarding sexual abuse and harassment were investigated by Lucas County Sheriff's Office detectives.

III. Conclusion

The Lucas County Sheriff's Office has made great strides towards the implementation of the PREA compliance standards. This data implies the procedures enacted at our facility have established a culture of reporting facility incidents which is beneficial to the staff and inmate population.

- A. There were no reported attempts or acts of sexual misconduct between staff-and-inmates. There were two (2) reported incidents regarding inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse/harassment.
- B. Lucas County Correction Center staff maintains a continuous physical presence in the inmate living areas and maintains a large video monitoring system. Staff receives annual training on PREA standards. This along with zero-tolerance policy and the accessibility of Administration help to maintain a safe and secure environment.
- C. The Lucas County Correction Center has detectives on site to investigate and assist in all PREA Investigations.

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