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Annual Data Report (§115.388)

The Cameron County Juvenile Justice Department (CCJJD) continues to have a zero tolerance policy towards any form of conduct of sexual abuse and sexual harassment within its facilities.

In the calendar year of 2022, CCJJD reported 0 incidents of substantiated sexual abuse in all three facilities. The Detention Center did have 1 incident of staff on youth non-contact classified as unsubstantiated sexual abuse reported and 0 unfounded. The POST facilities reported 0 incidents of unsubstantiated and unfounded. The facilities did not have any sexual harassment incidents reported.

In the calendar year of 2021, CCJJD reported 0 incidents of substantiated sexual abuse in the PRE and POST facilities. The Detention Center had 1 incident of youth on youth unsubstantiated sexual abuse reported and 0 in the POST facilities.


In the calendar year of 2020, CCJJD reported 1 incident of youth on youth substantiated sexual abuse in the Detention Center and 0 in the POST facilities. The Detention Center had 1 incident of youth on youth unsubstantiated sexual harassment reported and 0 in the POST facilities.

Staff continues assessing the allegations and will take any corrective measures necessary to effectively prevent, detect and respond in addressing allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The facilities and CCJJD as a whole will:

- Ensure that staff and residents are provided with information regarding the CCJJD's zero tolerance policy and methods of reporting alleged abuse.
- Provide appropriate supervision based on the current population needs.
- Train staff on topics to include, but not limited to zero-tolerance, residents' right to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment, enhancing a reporting culture and how to comply with mandatory reporting laws.
- Report and investigate all allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment.
- Provide information regarding the availability of support and counseling services.
- Conduct unannounced rounds across all facility shifts by intermediate & higher level staff.
- Utilize video surveillance to enhance supervision to protect the residents from sexual abuse and sexual harassment.


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