

## **Treatment and Counseling**

In the event of a sexual assault or rape, do not change your clothes, brush your teeth, shower, or use the restroom. By doing so, you may destroy important evidence.

It is important to be assessed and treated for transmitted diseases. Seek medical help immediately.

A mental health professional is available to provide counseling.

## **Seeking Relief for Retaliation**

If you are being retaliated against by a resident of RRC staff, contract a worker, volunteer, or intern for reporting an incident of sexual abuse, you should report the situation immediately to a supervisory person you trust.

## **Disciplinary Actions for Making False Allegations**

Making false allegations to report incidents other than sexual abuse will result in disciplinary actions and may result in charges being filed by the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

## **Victim Services/Advocacy**

The Human Service Center collaborates with the **Center for Prevention of Abuse** to assist victims. They provide counseling and support services. To receive assistance you may contact mental health staff or the PREA Hotline directly at **1-800-559-SAFE(7233)**

## **Human Service Center—RRC** **Mission Statement**

The mission of The Human Service Center RRC is to further justice by providing a safe, caring environment that guides residents in our care towards productive lives and enhances community safety and wellbeing.

## **PREA Mission Statement**

To achieve compliance with the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) by developing guidelines and policies for preventing, detecting, responding, monitoring and eradicating all sexual abuse and harassment within.

Human Service Center's RRC.

**PREA HOTLINE**  
**1-800-559-7233**

**(the Center for the  
Prevention of Abuse will  
answer and assist)**

**ZERO Tolerance Facility**

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Peoria, IL 61654

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# **PREA**

(Prison Rape Elimination Act)

## **Safety Guide For Residents**



**Human Service Center  
Residential Re-Entry Center**

**[www.hscpeoria.org](http://www.hscpeoria.org)**

**ZERO Tolerance Facility**

All sexual behavior is **PROHIBITED** while you are detained at the Human Service Center RRC.

Human Service Center RRC has policies and procedures addressing sexual abuse and harassment

## **Zero Tolerance Policy**

Human Service Center RRC mandates zero tolerance for sexual abuse and/or sexual harassment against any resident in custody by another resident, its staff, or staff of contracted programs, contractors or volunteers. All allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment will be investigated.

## **STOP THE ABUSE**

You have the right to be safe from sexual abuse. You have the right to be safe from sexual advances.

Say **NO** to anyone who tries to pressure you to participate or consent to engage in any type of sexual activity. Immediately report the sexual abuse, attempted sexual abuse or sexual misconduct to a staff member, contract worker, volunteer or any adult that you trust.

## **Sexual Abuse**

- Sexual abuse of a resident by another resident
- Sexual abuse of a resident by staff member, contractor, or volunteer

### **Acts of Sexual Abuse include:**

- The physical act
- The attempt of the physical act including inappropriate touching and exposure
- Threats, intimidation, and actions or communications meant to coerce or pressure another to engage in an inappropriate act
- Retaliation against individuals reporting sexual abuse harassment

## **Sexual Harassment**

- Repeated and unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or verbal comments, gestures, or actions of a derogatory or offensive sexual nature by one resident directed toward another
- Repeated verbal comments or gestures of a sexual nature to a resident by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer, including demeaning references to gender, sexual suggestive or derogatory comments about body or clothing, or obscene language or gestures

## **Appropriate Boundaries**

- Staff and Residents must maintain appropriate sexual boundaries
- Any sexual contact between staff and residents is against Human Service Center RRC Policy
- Do not engage in personal relationships with staff or other residents
- Do not allow or ask staff to engage in personal contact with your family members and friends outside of professional work

## **Reporting Procedures**

Confidentiality: All Human Service Center RRC staff, contract workers, interns and volunteers are required to keep the reported information confidential.

**If you are a victim or a witness of sexual abuse, or you have knowledge of any incident of sexual abuse, you may report these incidents or seek relief against retaliation by using any of the following:**

- Telling a Residential Staff or Case Manager on duty
- Ask for the Facility Manager or the HSC PREA Coordinator
- Call 1-800-559-SAFE (7233)
- Call the Federal Bureau of Prisons or the Peoria Police
- Go to [www.hscpeoria.org](http://www.hscpeoria.org) under “Criminal Justice-Contact Us” and make a confidential report.