



## Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Annual PREA Report

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Volunteers of America of Western NY is committed to meeting the requirements of the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 (PREA) and ensuring the safety and security of residents/inmates and staff in our facilities. This report is a summary of our PREA compliance efforts throughout the fiscal year of 2016-2017.

Following is a summary of the reports received during the period of July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017.

Inmate – on - Inmate Sexual Harassment Allegations			
<i>Substantiated</i>	<i>Unsubstantiated</i>	<i>Unfounded</i>	<i>Under Investigation</i>
0	0	0	0

Inmate – on - Inmate Sexual Abuse Allegations			
<i>Substantiated</i>	<i>Unsubstantiated</i>	<i>Unfounded</i>	<i>Under Investigation</i>
0	0	0	0

Staff, Volunteer, Contractor–on-Inmate Sexual Harassment Allegations			
<i>Substantiated</i>	<i>Unsubstantiated</i>	<i>Unfounded</i>	<i>Under Investigation</i>
0	1	0	1

Staff, Volunteer, Contractor-on-Inmate Sexual Abuse Allegations			
<i>Substantiated</i>	<i>Unsubstantiated</i>	<i>Unfounded</i>	<i>Under Investigation</i>
1	0	0	0

Since this is only the second year of PREA reporting, we have minimal information for determining trends at this time. There were three incidents reported during the time period. One was unfounded as determined by the Bureau of Prisons and a second is under investigation by the Bureau of Prisons. The third report, which was made by a VOA employee, was investigated by the NYS Dept. of Corrections and was substantiated. The employee in this situation was immediately put on leave at the time of the report and subsequently left the agency. The Dept. of Corrections has determined that the case is closed.

VOA will continue an ongoing monitoring of complaints and will ensure appropriate action is taken if any trends are identified.

VOA has a zero-tolerance stance towards all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. VOA has extensive procedures in place to prevent sexual harassment and abuse, and we respond to reports/incidents immediately.

During the past year, VOA has continued to provide all staff and volunteers with PREA training and ensured that all residents are provided with PREA education in accessible formats. VOA reviews and enhances our policies and procedures in an ongoing effort to reduce and prevent incidents.