

March 12th, 2021

RE: PREA Assessment / Centre Inc.'s Residential Program located at 3501 Westrac Drive, Fargo, ND 58103

The purpose of this report is to serve as documentation regarding compliance with the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Community Confinement Standards 28 C.F.R. Part 115.213 and Centre Inc.'s Sexual Abuse-Assault Prevention and Intervention Policy and Procedure. Centre Inc.'s annual PREA assessment of this department was developed in accordance with the National PREA Resource Center's document titled, "Developing and Implementing a PREA-Compliant Staffing Plan". This assessment covered calendar year 2020.

This assessment included review of staff utilization of Vacation and Sick time leave with the intent to project future potential absenteeism that could impact the department's ability to deploy necessary staff (both "relieved" and "non-relieved" personnel).

This assessment reviewed past Resident Occupancy Percentages/trends and approved staffing pattern schedules to ensure adequate staff deployment was occurring in the department.

On this date it was determined that the approved staffing plan for this facility provides adequate levels of staffing and video monitoring to protect residents against sexual abuse. During calendar year 2020, this department's Program Director/Manager(s) did not report any deviation from the approved Staffing Pattern to Administration and therefore the assessment found no deviations from the approved staffing plan occurred. The agency has committed the necessary resources to ensure adequate staffing levels.

All relevant factors were taken into consideration including the physical layout of the facility (no remodeling projects have occurred since building construction was completed February 2016), the composition of the resident population and all if any substantiated and unsubstantiated incidents of sexual abuse.

In the past twelve-month period one (1) PREA allegation was reported and investigated. A SART team was assigned to this allegation. This assessment found that staff maintained fidelity to Policy and Procedure while investigating this incident.

2020 – One “Client on Client” Abusive Sexual Contact. Allegation Not Substantiated.

Comparing the current year’s data with prior years would not be beneficial due to extremely small sample sizes. Trends cannot exist with the current sample sizes. Future data will continue to be assessed and compared to past data to ensure trends are being identified and progress is being made with addressing and combating sexual abuse (assessment and modification as needed with protocol).

If you have any questions or require clarification regarding this assessment, please contact me at 701-238-8064.

Sincerely,

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