

CENTERSTONE OF ILLINOIS ANNUAL REPORT 2016

Centerstone of Illinois has a zero-tolerance policy towards sexual abuse and harassment of its clients. It doesn't matter if the abuser is another client or a staff member. The number of PREA related allegations made by a Centerstone Client in 2015 was four. PREA compliance mandates that clients in the program have multiple ways to reports sexual abuse or harassment.

Centerstone of Illinois halfway house facility provides opportunity for clients to submit a verbal, written, and anonymous and/or third party access for reporting incidences of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The Centerstone of Illinois website (<https://centerstone.org/locations/Illinois>) allows for both anonymous and third party reporting via secure email access and contact numbers for direct access for phone calls. At the bottom of the main web page, you can click on the word "Contact" and a text page opens up which allows an email message to be sent to our compliance officer and/or our PREA Coordinator for reporting.

Any allegation is investigated as outlined in the organizational policy listed under Re-Entry Services of Centerstone of Illinois website. All allegations will be reviewed through Centerstone Sexual Incident Review Team. The report will be submitted for review immediately, unless the initial allegation is determined to be unfounded. Centerstone of Illinois conducts a post-incident review after each PREA related allegation. This review will include management from a variety of agency programs. The Centerstone Sexual Incident Review Team will review the incident, investigation and outcome of the report. The team will determine if the agency procedures or policies need to change to better prevent or protect the safety of the clients and staff of centerstone.

The post review will also make recommendations for any future changes In practices and determine whether the incident or allegation was motivated by race; ethnicity; gender identity; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex identification, status, or perceived status; or gang affiliation; or was motivated or otherwise caused by other group dynamics at the facility.

All data collected is based upon reported allegations and is listed on our website annually and upon request will be submitted to United States Department of Justice.

In the spirit of transparency, we present the 2014, 2015, and 2016 PREA Allegation Summary Reports below.

2014 – 2015 and January – June 2016

2014-2015 Allegations:

Total number of allegations: 4

Number of substantiated allegations: 3

Number of unsubstantiated allegations: 1

Number of unfound allegations: 0

2016 Allegations:

Total number of allegations: 4

Number of substantiated allegations: 1

Number of unsubstantiated allegations: 1

Number of unfound allegations: 2

Definitions utilized in the reporting, investigating and review of client and staff reports:

Client on Client:

Nonconsensual Sexual Acts:

Sexual contact of any person without his or her consent, or of a person who is unable to consent or refuse; and contact between the penis and the vulva or the penis and the anus including penetration, however slight; or contact between the mouth and the penis, vulva, or anus; or penetration of the anal or genital opening of another person however slight, by a hand, finger, object, or other instrument.

Abusive Sexual Contact

Sexual contact of any person without his or her consent, or of a person who is unable to consent or refuse; an intentional touching, either directly or through the clothing, of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or buttocks of any person. (Exclude any incidents in which the contact was incidental to a physical altercation.)

Sexual Harassment Repeated or unwelcome sexual advances, request for sexual favors, or verbal comments, gestures or actions of a derogatory or offensive sexual nature by one client directed toward another.

Staff On Client:

Staff Sexual Misconduct

Any behavior or act of a sexual nature directed toward a client by an employee, volunteer, contractor, official visitor or other agency representative (excluding family, friends or other visitors). Sexual relationships of a romantic nature between staff and inmates are Included in this definition.

Consensual or nonconsensual sexual acts include Intentional touching, either directly or through the clothing, of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or buttocks that is unrelated to official duties or with the intent to abuse, arouse, or gratify sexual desire; OR Completed, attempted, threatened, or requested sexual acts; OR Occurrences of indecent exposure, invasion of privacy, or staff voyeurism for reason unrelated to official duties or for sexual gratification.

Staff Sexual Harassment:

Repeated verbal statements, comments or gestures of a sexual nature by an employee, volunteer, contractor, official visitor, or other agency representative (excluding family, friends. or other visitors). This includes Demeaning references to gender; or sexually suggestive or derogatory comments about body or clothing;

Substantiated: Allegation that was investigated and determined to have occurred.

Unsubstantiated: Allegation that was investigated and the investigation produced insufficient evidence to make a final determination as to whether or not the event occurred.

Unfounded: Allegation that was investigated and determined not to have occurred. Ongoing Investigation: Allegation that has not had a concluded investigation.