

Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Audit Report Juvenile Facilities

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Agency Information

Name of Agency Coosa Valley Youth Services	Governing Authority or Parent Agency <i>(If Applicable)</i> Click or tap here to enter text.		
Physical Address: 4625 McClellan Blvd	City, State, Zip: Anniston , Alabama 36206		
Mailing Address: P. O. Box 4519	City, State, Zip: Anniston , Alabama 36204		
The Agency Is:	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Private for Profit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private not for Profit
<input type="checkbox"/> Municipal	<input type="checkbox"/> County	<input type="checkbox"/> State	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal
Agency Website with PREA Information: cvys.net			

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Facility Information

Name of Facility: Coosa Valley Youth Services Detention Center

Physical Address: 4625 McClellan Blvd

City, State, Zip: Anniston , Alabama 36206

Mailing Address (if different from above):
P. O. Box 4519

City, State, Zip: Anniston , Alabama 36204

The Facility Is:

Military

Private for Profit

Private not for Profit

Municipal

County

State

Federal

Facility Website with PREA Information: cvys.net

Has the facility been accredited within the past 3 years? Yes No

If the facility has been accredited within the past 3 years, select the accrediting organization(s) – select all that apply (N/A if the facility has not been accredited within the past 3 years):

ACA

NCCHC

CALEA

Other (please name or describe: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#))

N/A

If the facility has completed any internal or external audits other than those that resulted in accreditation, please describe:
[Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

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Facility Characteristics

Designated Facility Capacity:	48	
Current Population of Facility:	37	
Average daily population for the past 12 months:	31	
Has the facility been over capacity at any point in the past 12 months?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Which population(s) does the facility hold?	<input type="checkbox"/> Females <input type="checkbox"/> Males <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both Females and Males	
Age range of population:	12 - 18	
Average length of stay or time under supervision	32 days	
Facility security levels/resident custody levels	Maximum security	
Number of residents admitted to facility during the past 12 months	567	
Number of residents admitted to facility during the past 12 months whose length of stay in the facility was for <i>72 hours or more</i> :	516	
Number of residents admitted to facility during the past 12 months whose length of stay in the facility was for <i>10 days or more</i> :	303	
Does the audited facility hold residents for one or more other agencies (e.g. a State correctional agency, U.S. Marshals Service, Bureau of Prisons, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<p>Select all other agencies for which the audited facility holds residents: Select all that apply (N/A if the audited facility does not hold residents for any other agency or agencies):</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal Bureau of Prisons <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Marshals Service <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Bureau of Indian Affairs <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Military branch <input type="checkbox"/> State or Territorial correctional agency <input type="checkbox"/> County correctional or detention agency <input type="checkbox"/> Judicial district correctional or detention facility <input type="checkbox"/> City or municipal correctional or detention facility (e.g. police lockup or city jail) <input type="checkbox"/> Private corrections or detention provider <input type="checkbox"/> Other - please name or describe: Click or tap here to enter text. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
Number of staff currently employed by the facility who may have contact with residents:	31	
Number of staff hired by the facility during the past 12 months who may have contact with residents:	6	

Number of contracts in the past 12 months for services with contractors who may have contact with residents:	0
Number of individual contractors who have contact with residents, currently authorized to enter the facility:	0
Number of volunteers who have contact with residents, currently authorized to enter the facility:	n/a
Physical Plant	
<p>Number of buildings:</p> <p>Auditors should count all buildings that are part of the facility, whether residents are formally allowed to enter them or not. In situations where temporary structures have been erected (e.g., tents) the auditor should use their discretion to determine whether to include the structure in the overall count of buildings. As a general rule, if a temporary structure is regularly or routinely used to hold or house residents, or if the temporary structure is used to house or support operational functions for more than a short period of time (e.g., an emergency situation), it should be included in the overall count of buildings.</p>	1
<p>Number of resident housing units:</p> <p>Enter 0 if the facility does not have discrete housing units. DOJ PREA Working Group FAQ on the definition of a housing unit: How is a "housing unit" defined for the purposes of the PREA Standards? The question has been raised in particular as it relates to facilities that have adjacent or interconnected units. The most common concept of a housing unit is architectural. The generally agreed-upon definition is a space that is enclosed by physical barriers accessed through one or more doors of various types, including commercial-grade swing doors, steel sliding doors, interlocking sally port doors, etc. In addition to the primary entrance and exit, additional doors are often included to meet life safety codes. The unit contains sleeping space, sanitary facilities (including toilets, lavatories, and showers), and a dayroom or leisure space in differing configurations. Many facilities are designed with modules or pods clustered around a control room. This multiple-pod design provides the facility with certain staff efficiencies and economies of scale. At the same time, the design affords the flexibility to separately house residents of differing security levels, or who are grouped by some other operational or service scheme. Generally, the control room is enclosed by security glass, and in some cases, this allows residents to see into neighboring pods. However, observation from one unit to another is usually limited by angled site lines. In some cases, the facility has prevented this entirely by installing one-way glass. Both the architectural design and functional use of these multiple pods indicate that they are managed as distinct housing units.</p>	4
Number of single resident cells, rooms, or other enclosures:	48
Number of multiple occupancy cells, rooms, or other enclosures:	0
Number of open bay/dorm housing units:	0
Number of segregation or isolation cells or rooms (for example, administrative, disciplinary, protective custody, etc.):	5
Does the facility have a video monitoring system, electronic surveillance system, or other monitoring technology (e.g. cameras, etc.)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Has the facility installed or updated a video monitoring system, electronic surveillance system, or other monitoring technology in the past 12 months?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Medical and Mental Health Services and Forensic Medical Exams

Are medical services provided on-site?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Are mental health services provided on-site?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Where are sexual assault forensic medical exams provided? Select all that apply.	<input type="checkbox"/> On-site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local hospital/clinic <input type="checkbox"/> Rape Crisis Center <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please name or describe: Click or tap here to enter text.)

Investigations

Criminal Investigations

Number of investigators employed by the agency and/or facility who are responsible for conducting CRIMINAL investigations into allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment:	0
When the facility received allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment (whether staff-on-resident or resident-on-resident), CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS are conducted by: Select all that apply.	<input type="checkbox"/> Facility investigators <input type="checkbox"/> Agency investigators <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An external investigative entity
Select all external entities responsible for CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS: Select all that apply (N/A if no external entities are responsible for criminal investigations)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local police department <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local sheriff's department <input type="checkbox"/> State police <input type="checkbox"/> A U.S. Department of Justice component <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please name or describe: Click or tap here to enter text.) <input type="checkbox"/> N/A

Administrative Investigations

Number of investigators employed by the agency and/or facility who are responsible for conducting ADMINISTRATIVE investigations into allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment?	4
When the facility receives allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment (whether staff-on-resident or resident-on-resident), ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATIONS are conducted by: Select all that apply	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Facility investigators <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agency investigators <input type="checkbox"/> An external investigative entity
Select all external entities responsible for ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATIONS: Select all that apply (N/A if no external entities are responsible for administrative investigations)	<input type="checkbox"/> Local police department <input type="checkbox"/> Local sheriff's department <input type="checkbox"/> State police <input type="checkbox"/> A U.S. Department of Justice component <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please name or describe: Click or tap here to enter text.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A

Audit Findings

Audit Narrative

The auditor's description of the audit methodology should include a detailed description of the following processes during the pre-onsite audit, onsite audit, and post-audit phases: documents and files reviewed, discussions and types of interviews conducted, number of days spent on-site, observations made during the site-review, and a detailed description of any follow-up work conducted during the post-audit phase. The narrative should describe the techniques the auditor used to sample documentation and select interviewees, and the auditor's process for the site review.

Coosa Valley Youth Services had its onsite PREA Audit conducted on September 11-12, 2019. The facility did very well in preparing files for the audit review and assisting the Auditing Team in setting up interviews with staff, administration, and youth that were committed at the time of Audit. Coosa Valley Youth Services has three (3) facilities under its operations; Robert E. Lewis Academy, an Attention Home, and a Detention Program.

1. Robert E. Lewis Academy license capacity is for 30 males age 14-18, the program mission is to reach youth who are having problems at home, school, and in their communities by providing discipline, structure, and mentorship into their lives; to provide safety, security, food, shelter, clothing, and basic medical care to Lewis Academy youth; to provide educational opportunities by means of academic instruction, drug counseling, and individual group and family counseling. Robert E. Lewis Academy offers a program that will give Lewis Academy youth the necessary training in basic living skills, physical education and confidence training, ultimately offering youth a second chance in life upon completion of the program.

2. Attention Home; this program license capacity is for 14 females ages ranging from 12-17, it's a non-secure, safe, residential environment for youth in need of supervision. The Attention Home's adolescents are considered status offenders, not delinquent offenders, it is a treatment program, a "diversion program" serving to prevent residents' further involvement with the juvenile justice system. This 24-hour program mission is to provide a safe environment wherein the primary, educational, behavioral, medical, and emotional needs of its residents are met; to prevent residents' further involvement in the Juvenile Justice System by serving as an effective behavioral modification program, returning to the communities we serve more respectful, responsible, and productive citizens; and to prevent adolescent abuse and neglect and promote healthier lifestyles among this and future generations by providing parent education and family support. The goal of the Attention Home Program is to provide the residents with the necessary skills in order to improve their negative behaviors and learn acceptable and appropriate ones. There are several skills offered in achieving this goal to include; communication skills, social, problem solving, independent living, academic, and vocational skills. With the preparation and training it is the goal that these residents return to the world with leadership skills, humility, maturity, and a heart to lead by example.

3. Coosa Valley Juvenile Detention Center is a 48 bed facility to serve both female and male youth age ranging from 12-18. All juveniles placed in the program have been court ordered and length of stay is less than twenty-four (24) hours to approximately two (2) months. This facility strives to make a positive impact on the youth by utilizing individual and group counseling, an in-house academic program, on-site medical attention, and a token economy system employing behavioral modification techniques. Coosa Valley Juvenile Detention Center Goal is to provide individualized and short-term treatment to each and every juvenile in the facility, the mission is to serve counties of Northeast Alabama by providing a safe and secure environment for youth who are charged with delinquent acts; to provide necessary and adequate food, clothing, shelter, and medical care to detained youth; lastly to offer detained youth an opportunity to evaluate their current position, direction, and attitude through education, counseling and structure.

Coosa Valley Youth Services Administrative Staff has done a great job educating their youth and staff in the goals and implementation of PREA. Staff Interviewed and Youth housed at the time of audit were very knowledgeable of the standards and the agency has a veteran staff who showed enthusiasm and a vested commitment to the facility. Prior to the arrival at the facility information was shared to the PREA Auditor by the Director. Upon arrival at the facilities, we conducted a very conclusive walkthrough, took several pictures, conducted interviews with a random selection of staff and residents, and in addition to the Program Managers, Agency PREA Coordinator and Executive Director in an exit interview to address any concerns and questions.

Medical Staff was interviewed on sight and was very informative of the screening process, and the steps to be taken from the medical standpoint when an investigation is conducted. She served as Medical Personnel for all three facilities, and she showed interest in enhancing her knowledge of the PREA Process as a whole.

Upon review of the files and through interviews, it was reiterated that PREA Audits are like none other, the Auditor has to be satisfied that policy or procedure exist to satisfy the standard, that the practice in place is consistent with the standard and policy, and that the policy and practice has become institutionalized. The PREA Compliance Managers worked extremely hard to ensure consistency and compliance were both met, each individual facility showed great effort in different areas by going over and beyond, which is notated in the standard section. Thanks to the Coosa Valley Youth Services Administration Team as a whole for their tenacity and dedication in working with the Auditor where necessary adjustments were needed.

Facility Characteristics

The auditor's description of the audited facility should include details about the facility type, demographics and size of the inmate, resident or detainee population, numbers and type of staff positions, configuration and layout of the facility, numbers of housing units, description of housing units including any special housing units, a description of programs and services, including food service and recreation. The auditor should describe how these details are relevant to PREA implementation and compliance.

Coosa Valley Youth Services established in August 1974 with the creation of the Juvenile Detention Center has since added the Attention Home and Camp Robert E. Lewis Program, provide services to approximately 1,000 each year, and strives to make a positive impact on the youth served. In addition to the three (3) residential programs, Coosa Valley Youth Services operates the "Alabama Growing Station", a tree farm project supported entirely through donations, grants and in-kind service. Camp Lewis cadets, students from the Attention Home and staff provide community service to a variety of locations;



Summary of Audit Findings

The summary should include the number and list of standards exceeded, number of standards met, and number and list of standards not met.

Auditor Note: *No standard should be found to be “Not Applicable” or “NA”. A compliance determination must be made for each standard.*

Standards Exceeded

Number of Standards Exceeded: 1
List of Standards Exceeded: 115.333

Standards Met

Number of Standards Met: 40

Standards Not Met

Number of Standards Not Met: 0
List of Standards Not Met: Click or tap here to enter text.

PREVENTION PLANNING

Standard 115.311: Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by The Auditor to Complete the Report

115.311 (a)

- Does the agency have a written policy mandating zero tolerance toward all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No
- Does the written policy outline the agency's approach to preventing, detecting, and responding to sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No

115.311 (b)

- Has the agency employed or designated an agency-wide PREA Coordinator? Yes No
- Is the PREA Coordinator position in the upper-level of the agency hierarchy? Yes No
- Does the PREA Coordinator have sufficient time and authority to develop, implement, and oversee agency efforts to comply with the PREA standards in all of its facilities? Yes No

115.311 (c)

- If this agency operates more than one facility, has each facility designated a PREA compliance manager? (N/A if agency operates only one facility.) Yes No NA
- Does the PREA compliance manager have sufficient time and authority to coordinate the facility's efforts to comply with the PREA standards? (N/A if agency operates only one facility.) Yes No NA

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

- Exceeds Standard** (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)
- Meets Standard** (*Substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the standard for the relevant review period*)
- Does Not Meet Standard** (*Requires Corrective Action*)

Instructions for Overall Compliance Determination Narrative

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has implemented a written Policy and Procedure establishing zero tolerance of sexual abuse & harassment. It is a twenty seven page policy which contains language that specifically mandates zero tolerance toward all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment and clearly outlines the agency's approach to preventing, detecting, and responding to such conduct.

Coosa Valley Youth Services PREA Coordinator serves as Assistant Director. It has been verified that there is sufficient time and authority to develop, implement, and oversee agency efforts to comply with the PREA standards in this agency.

During an interview with the PREA Coordinator, a great effort was shown to implement the PREA standards and the intent thereof. The position of the PREA Coordinator is in the agency's organizational structure.

Standard 115.312: Contracting with other entities for the confinement of residents

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.312 (a)

- If this agency is public and it contracts for the confinement of its residents with private agencies or other entities including other government agencies, has the agency included the entity's obligation to adopt and comply with the PREA standards in any new contract or contract renewal signed on or after August 20, 2012? (N/A if the agency does not contract with private agencies or other entities for the confinement of residents.) Yes No NA

115.312 (b)

- Does any new contract or contract renewal signed on or after August 20, 2012 provide for agency contract monitoring to ensure that the contractor is complying with the PREA standards? (N/A if the agency does not contract with private agencies or other entities for the confinement of residents.) Yes No NA

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N/A

Coosa Valley Youth Services does not contract out with any agency for the confinement of its residents.

Standard 115.313: Supervision and monitoring

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.313 (a)

- Does the facility have a documented staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing and, where applicable, video monitoring, to protect residents against sexual abuse?
 Yes No

- In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Generally accepted juvenile detention and correctional/secure residential practices? Yes No

- In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any judicial findings of inadequacy? Yes No

- In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any findings of inadequacy from Federal investigative agencies? Yes No

- In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any findings of inadequacy from internal or external oversight bodies? Yes No

- In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: All components of the facility's physical plant (including "blind-spots" or areas where staff or residents may be isolated)? Yes No

- In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: The composition of the resident population? Yes No

- In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: The number and placement of supervisory staff? Yes No

- In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Institution programs occurring on a particular shift? Yes No
- In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any applicable State or local laws, regulations, or standards? Yes No
- In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration the prevalence of substantiated and unsubstantiated incidents of sexual abuse? Yes No
- In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any other relevant factors? Yes No

115.313 (b)

- Does the agency comply with the staffing plan except during limited and discrete exigent circumstances? Yes No
- In circumstances where the staffing plan is not complied with, does the facility document all deviations from the plan? (N/A if no deviations from staffing plan.) Yes No NA

115.313 (c)

- Does the facility maintain staff ratios of a minimum of 1:8 during resident waking hours, except during limited and discrete exigent circumstances? (N/A if the facility is not a secure juvenile facility per the PREA standards definition of "secure".) Yes No NA
- Does the facility maintain staff ratios of a minimum of 1:16 during resident sleeping hours, except during limited and discrete exigent circumstances? (N/A if the facility is not a secure juvenile facility per the PREA standards definition of "secure".) Yes No NA
- Does the facility fully document any limited and discrete exigent circumstances during which the facility did not maintain staff ratios? (N/A if the facility is not a secure juvenile facility per the PREA standards definition of "secure".) Yes No NA
- Does the facility ensure only security staff are included when calculating these ratios? (N/A if the facility is not a secure juvenile facility per the PREA standards definition of "secure".) Yes No NA
- Is the facility obligated by law, regulation, or judicial consent decree to maintain the staffing ratios set forth in this paragraph? Yes No

115.313 (d)

- In the past 12 months, has the facility, in consultation with the agency PREA Coordinator, assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to: The staffing plan established pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section? Yes No
- In the past 12 months, has the facility, in consultation with the agency PREA Coordinator, assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to: Prevailing staffing patterns? Yes No
- In the past 12 months, has the facility, in consultation with the agency PREA Coordinator, assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to: The facility's deployment of video monitoring systems and other monitoring technologies? Yes No
- In the past 12 months, has the facility, in consultation with the agency PREA Coordinator, assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to: The resources the facility has available to commit to ensure adherence to the staffing plan? Yes No

115.313 (e)

- Has the facility implemented a policy and practice of having intermediate-level or higher-level supervisors conduct and document unannounced rounds to identify and deter staff sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A for non-secure facilities) Yes No NA
- Is this policy and practice implemented for night shifts as well as day shifts? (N/A for non-secure facilities) Yes No NA
- Does the facility have a policy prohibiting staff from alerting other staff members that these supervisory rounds are occurring, unless such announcement is related to the legitimate operational functions of the facility? (N/A for non-secure facilities) Yes No NA

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a staffing plan that has assessed any possible areas of vulnerability. This agency has no judicial findings of inadequacy pertaining to security. The agency has acknowledged and assessed any possible areas of concerns for vulnerability and blind spots.

For the purpose of this audit period, due to the current staffing plan and video monitoring surveillance, the facility meets the standard. Other determining factors include the verification of Unannounced Rounds via Inspection Log, and Policy.

Standard 115.315: Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.315 (a)

- Does the facility always refrain from conducting any cross-gender strip or cross-gender visual body cavity searches, except in exigent circumstances or by medical practitioners?
 Yes No

115.315 (b)

- Does the facility always refrain from conducting cross-gender pat-down searches in non-exigent circumstances? Yes No NA

115.315 (c)

- Does the facility document and justify all cross-gender strip searches and cross-gender visual body cavity searches? Yes No
- Does the facility document all cross-gender pat-down searches? Yes No

115.315 (d)

- Does the facility have policies that enable residents to shower, perform bodily functions, and change clothing without nonmedical staff of the opposite gender viewing their breasts, buttocks, or genitalia, except in exigent circumstances or when such viewing is incidental to routine cell checks? Yes No
- Does the facility have procedures that enable residents to shower, perform bodily functions, and change clothing without nonmedical staff of the opposite gender viewing their breasts, buttocks, or genitalia, except in exigent circumstances or when such viewing is incidental to routine cell checks? Yes No
- Does the facility require staff of the opposite gender to announce their presence when entering a resident housing unit? Yes No

- In facilities (such as group homes) that do not contain discrete housing units, does the facility require staff of the opposite gender to announce their presence when entering an area where residents are likely to be showering, performing bodily functions, or changing clothing? (N/A for facilities with discrete housing units) Yes No NA

115.315 (e)

- Does the facility always refrain from searching or physically examining transgender or intersex residents for the sole purpose of determining the resident's genital status? Yes No
- If a resident's genital status is unknown, does the facility determine genital status during conversations with the resident, by reviewing medical records, or, if necessary, by learning that information as part of a broader medical examination conducted in private by a medical practitioner? Yes No

115.315 (f)

- Does the facility/agency train security staff in how to conduct cross-gender pat down searches in a professional and respectful manner, and in the least intrusive manner possible, consistent with security needs? Yes No
- Does the facility/agency train security staff in how to conduct searches of transgender and intersex residents in a professional and respectful manner, and in the least intrusive manner possible, consistent with security needs? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a written policy prohibiting cross-gender searches. Policies and procedures are in place that enables residents to shower, perform bodily functions and change clothes without staff of the opposite gender viewing them. Determining factors include; review of policies and interviews with residents and staff. At the time of audit, there had been no occurrences.

Standard 115.316: Residents with disabilities and residents who are limited English proficient

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.316 (a)

- Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who are deaf or hard of hearing? Yes No
- Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who are blind or have low vision? Yes No
- Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who have intellectual disabilities? Yes No
- Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who have psychiatric disabilities? Yes No
- Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Residents who have speech disabilities? Yes No
- Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that residents with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Other? (if "other," please explain in overall determination notes.) Yes No
- Do such steps include, when necessary, ensuring effective communication with residents who are deaf or hard of hearing? Yes No
- Do such steps include, when necessary, providing access to interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary? Yes No
- Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with residents with disabilities including residents who: Have intellectual disabilities? Yes No

- Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with residents with disabilities including residents who: Have limited reading skills? Yes No
- Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with residents with disabilities including residents who: Are blind or have low vision? Yes No

115.316 (b)

- Does the agency take reasonable steps to ensure meaningful access to all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment to residents who are limited English proficient? Yes No
- Do these steps include providing interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary? Yes No

115.316 (c)

- Does the agency always refrain from relying on resident interpreters, resident readers, or other types of resident assistants except in limited circumstances where an extended delay in obtaining an effective interpreter could compromise the resident's safety, the performance of first-response duties under §115.364, or the investigation of the resident's allegations? Yes No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a policy and procedure in place that states the agency will have methods that ensure effective communication with residents with disabilities; that the agency will coordinate efforts with the juvenile court having jurisdiction over the youth to assist in securing necessary accommodation or interpreter when needed. The agency prohibits the use of resident interpreters. Other supporting documentation and verification was the review of Juvenile PREA Intake

Standard 115.317: Hiring and promotion decisions

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.317 (a)

- Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with residents who: Has engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution (as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1997)? Yes No
- Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with residents who: Has been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse? Yes No
- Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with residents who: Has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in the question immediately above? Yes No
- Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of services of any contractor who may have contact with residents who: Has engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution (as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1997)? Yes No
- Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of services of any contractor who may have contact with residents who: Has been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse? Yes No
- Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of services of any contractor who may have contact with residents who: Has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in the question immediately above? Yes No

115.317 (b)

- Does the agency consider any incidents of sexual harassment in determining whether to hire or promote anyone who may have contact with residents? Yes No
- Does the agency consider any incidents of sexual harassment in determining whether to enlist the services of any contractor who may have contact with residents? Yes No

115.317 (c)

- Before hiring new employees, who may have contact with residents, does the agency perform a criminal background records check? Yes No

- Before hiring new employees, who may have contact with residents, does the agency consult any child abuse registry maintained by the State or locality in which the employee would work? Yes No
- Before hiring new employees who may have contact with residents, does the agency, consistent with Federal, State, and local law, make its best efforts to contact all prior institutional employers for information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or any resignation during a pending investigation of an allegation of sexual abuse? Yes No

115.317 (d)

- Does the agency perform a criminal background records check before enlisting the services of any contractor who may have contact with residents? Yes No
- Does the agency consult applicable child abuse registries before enlisting the services of any contractor who may have contact with residents? Yes No

115.317 (e)

- Does the agency either conduct criminal background records checks at least every five years of current employees and contractors who may have contact with residents or have in place a system for otherwise capturing such information for current employees? Yes No

115.317 (f)

- Does the agency ask all applicants and employees who may have contact with residents directly about previous misconduct described in paragraph (a) of this section in written applications or interviews for hiring or promotions? Yes No
- Does the agency ask all applicants and employees who may have contact with residents directly about previous misconduct described in paragraph (a) of this section in any interviews or written self-evaluations conducted as part of reviews of current employees? Yes No
- Does the agency impose upon employees a continuing affirmative duty to disclose any such misconduct? Yes No

115.317 (g)

- Does the agency consider material omissions regarding such misconduct, or the provision of materially false information, grounds for termination? Yes No

115.317 (h)

- Does the agency provide information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involving a former employee upon receiving a request from an institutional

employer for whom such employee has applied to work? (N/A if providing information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involving a former employee is prohibited by law.) Yes No NA

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a policy stating the prohibiting of hiring or promoting of anyone who has been found guilty of sexual abuse, sexual misconduct, or sexual harassment. Background checks are conducted at least every five years for current employees in accordance PREA Audit Report with Coosa Valley Youth Services personnel policies. The agency will also conduct a CA/N registry check on all applicants for Employment/Volunteer/Intern.

Other supporting documentation included staff interviews, communication with Administration Personnel, and the review of Pre-Employment Process and Background Checks.

Standard 115.318: Upgrades to facilities and technologies

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.318 (a)

- If the agency designed or acquired any new facility or planned any substantial expansion or modification of existing facilities, did the agency consider the effect of the design, acquisition, expansion, or modification upon the agency's ability to protect residents from sexual abuse? (N/A if agency/facility has not acquired a new facility or made a substantial expansion to existing facilities since August 20, 2012, or since the last PREA audit, whichever is later.)
 Yes No NA

115.318 (b)

- If the agency installed or updated a video monitoring system, electronic surveillance system, or other monitoring technology, did the agency consider how such technology may enhance the agency's ability to protect residents from sexual abuse? (N/A if agency/facility has not installed or updated a video monitoring system, electronic surveillance system, or other monitoring technology since August 20, 2012, or since the last PREA audit, whichever is later.)
 Yes No NA

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Coosa Valley Youth Services had additional means of adequate monitoring through video surveillance in which the agency has assessed for areas of vulnerability and possible blind spots in efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to incidents of sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

Determining factors of compliance were verified through interviews with administrative personnel and staff, layout of facility, facility staffing plan, examination of the monitoring system and visual observation of newly installed/placed cameras inside and outside facility.

RESPONSIVE PLANNING

Standard 115.321: Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.321 (a)

- If the agency is responsible for investigating allegations of sexual abuse, does the agency follow a uniform evidence protocol that maximizes the potential for obtaining usable physical evidence for administrative proceedings and criminal prosecutions? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations.)
 Yes No NA

115.321 (b)

- Is this protocol developmentally appropriate for youth where applicable? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations.) Yes No NA
- Is this protocol, as appropriate, adapted from or otherwise based on the most recent edition of the U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women publication, "A National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations, Adults/Adolescents," or similarly comprehensive and authoritative protocols developed after 2011? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations.) Yes No NA

115.321 (c)

- Does the agency offer all residents who experience sexual abuse access to forensic medical examinations, whether on-site or at an outside facility, without financial cost, where evidentiary or medically appropriate? Yes No
- Are such examinations performed by Sexual Assault Forensic Examiners (SAFEs) or Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs) where possible? Yes No
- If SAFEs or SANEs cannot be made available, is the examination performed by other qualified medical practitioners (they must have been specifically trained to conduct sexual assault forensic exams)? Yes No
- Has the agency documented its efforts to provide SAFEs or SANEs? Yes No

115.321 (d)

- Does the agency attempt to make available to the victim a victim advocate from a rape crisis center? Yes No

- If a rape crisis center is not available to provide victim advocate services, does the agency make available to provide these services a qualified staff member from a community-based organization, or a qualified agency staff member? (N/A if the agency *always* makes a victim advocate from a rape crisis center available to victims.) Yes No NA
- Has the agency documented its efforts to secure services from rape crisis centers? Yes No

115.321 (e)

- As requested by the victim, does the victim advocate, qualified agency staff member, or qualified community-based organization staff member accompany and support the victim through the forensic medical examination process and investigatory interviews? Yes No
- As requested by the victim, does this person provide emotional support, crisis intervention, information, and referrals? Yes No

115.321 (f)

- If the agency itself is not responsible for investigating allegations of sexual abuse, has the agency requested that the investigating agency follow the requirements of paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section? (N/A if the agency/facility is responsible for conducting criminal AND administrative sexual abuse investigations.) Yes No NA

115.321 (g)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

115.321 (h)

- If the agency uses a qualified agency staff member or a qualified community-based staff member for the purposes of this section, has the individual been screened for appropriateness to serve in this role and received education concerning sexual assault and forensic examination issues in general? (N/A if agency *always* makes a victim advocate from a rape crisis center available to victims.) Yes No NA

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a policy and procedure in place that follows the most recent edition of the U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence against Women publication "A National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations, Adults/Adolescents". Additional determining factors were the review of policy, verification of the MOA with 2nd Chance, Inc., and interviews with facility administrators.

Standard 115.322: Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investigations

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.322 (a)

- Does the agency ensure an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse? Yes No
- Does the agency ensure an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual harassment? Yes No

115.322 (b)

- Does the agency have a policy and practice in place to ensure that allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are referred for investigation to an agency with the legal authority to conduct criminal investigations, unless the allegation does not involve potentially criminal behavior? Yes No
- Has the agency published such policy on its website or, if it does not have one, made the policy available through other means? Yes No
- Does the agency document all such referrals? Yes No

115.322 (c)

- If a separate entity is responsible for conducting criminal investigations, does the policy describe the responsibilities of both the agency and the investigating entity? (N/A if the agency/facility is responsible for criminal investigations. See 115.321(a).) Yes No NA

115.322 (d)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

115.322 (e)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

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Coosa Valley Youth Services meets compliance through the review of policy and procedures and collaboration with the Anniston Police Department. At the time of audit, there had been no occurrences. Other determining factors were interviews with administration investigators and training curriculum.

TRAINING AND EDUCATION

Standard 115.331: Employee training

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.331 (a)

- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on its zero-tolerance policy for sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on how to fulfill their responsibilities under agency sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, reporting, and response policies and procedures? Yes No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on residents' right to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment Yes No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on the right of residents and employees to be free from retaliation for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on the dynamics of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in juvenile facilities? Yes No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on the common reactions of juvenile victims of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on how to detect and respond to signs of threatened and actual sexual abuse and how to distinguish between consensual sexual contact and sexual abuse between residents? Yes No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on how to avoid inappropriate relationships with residents? Yes No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on how to communicate effectively and professionally with residents, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender nonconforming residents? Yes No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on how to comply with relevant laws related to mandatory reporting of sexual abuse to outside authorities?
 Yes No
- Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with residents on relevant laws regarding the applicable age of consent? Yes No

115.331 (b)

- Is such training tailored to the unique needs and attributes of residents of juvenile facilities?
 Yes No
- Is such training tailored to the gender of the residents at the employee's facility? Yes No
- Have employees received additional training if reassigned from a facility that houses only male residents to a facility that houses only female residents, or vice versa? Yes No

115.331 (c)

- Have all current employees who may have contact with residents received such training?
 Yes No
- Does the agency provide each employee with refresher training every two years to ensure that all employees know the agency's current sexual abuse and sexual harassment policies and procedures? Yes No
- In years in which an employee does not receive refresher training, does the agency provide refresher information on current sexual abuse and sexual harassment policies? Yes No

115.331 (d)

- Does the agency document, through employee signature or electronic verification, that employees understand the training they have received? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has policy and procedures validating employee training on zero tolerance for sexual abuse and sexual harassment. All personnel including staff, volunteers, and anyone having

contact with residents are trained on zero tolerance policy and his/her responsibility under this policy. In addition to this training that is conducted every two years, the PREA Coordinator and Administration makes an effort to ensure that information is continuously and readily available and/or visible to all staff through posters, PREA compliance discussions, reminders, and staff meetings. Training for volunteers, interns, and contractors is dependent upon the services they provide and level of contact they have with the youth.

Determining factors were staff training logs and module training curriculum, Staff Development – Training Reports, and verification through random interviews of staff and administration.

Standard 115.332: Volunteer and contractor training

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.332 (a)

- Has the agency ensured that all volunteers and contractors who have contact with residents have been trained on their responsibilities under the agency’s sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, and response policies and procedures? Yes No

115.332 (b)

- Have all volunteers and contractors who have contact with residents been notified of the agency’s zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment and informed how to report such incidents (the level and type of training provided to volunteers and contractors shall be based on the services they provide and level of contact they have with residents)? Yes No

115.332 (c)

- Does the agency maintain documentation confirming that volunteers and contractors understand the training they have received? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a policy in place to train all volunteers and contractors who have contact with residents on the agency's zero tolerance policy. The level and type of training is based on the services they provide and level of contact they have with the youth. Verifying information was the interview with the PREA Coordinator, Administration, supervisory staff, signed Receipt of PREA forms, PREA Handout, and other visual aids.

Standard 115.333: Resident education

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.333 (a)

- During intake, do residents receive information explaining the agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No
- During intake, do residents receive information explaining how to report incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse or sexual harassment? Yes No
- Is this information presented in an age-appropriate fashion? Yes No

115.333 (b)

- Within 10 days of intake, does the agency provide age-appropriate comprehensive education to residents either in person or through video regarding: Their rights to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No
- Within 10 days of intake, does the agency provide age-appropriate comprehensive education to residents either in person or through video regarding: Their rights to be free from retaliation for reporting such incidents? Yes No
- Within 10 days of intake, does the agency provide age-appropriate comprehensive education to residents either in person or through video regarding: Agency policies and procedures for responding to such incidents? Yes No

115.333 (c)

- Have all residents received the comprehensive education referenced in 115.333(b)? Yes No
- Do residents receive education upon transfer to a different facility to the extent that the policies and procedures of the resident's new facility differ from those of the previous facility? Yes No

115.333 (d)

- Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents including those who: Are limited English proficient? Yes No
- Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents including those who: Are deaf? Yes No
- Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents including those who: Are visually impaired? Yes No
- Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents including those who: Are otherwise disabled? Yes No
- Does the agency provide resident education in formats accessible to all residents including those who: Have limited reading skills? Yes No

115.333 (e)

- Does the agency maintain documentation of resident participation in these education sessions? Yes No

115.333 (f)

- In addition to providing such education, does the agency ensure that key information is continuously and readily available or visible to residents through posters, resident handbooks, or other written formats? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a policy that states that it will ensure that youth receive, at minimum, age-appropriate oral information, the PREA Handout explaining the agency's zero tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment and how to report such incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse or sexual harassment. Within 72 hours of intake, the facility will provide comprehensive

age-appropriate education to youth either in person or through use of video and youth will sign the Youth PREA Acknowledgment Statement.

Compliance was verified through resident interviews in which the audit team had a census the residents were being educated on the importance of PREA, Coosa Valley Youth Detention Center displayed great initiative in the "invention of a "PREA Video Cart" this include a monitor attached to a cart with detailed instruction on how to properly display the PREA education to youth, it is done within the specified time of intake and periodically throughout the youth stay at the facility. Visual posters and methods of reporting were notated around the facility. It was explained during the interview process from several residents and staff of the education during the screening process at intake. Other supporting documentation included PREA Youth Acknowledgment Statement, Juvenile PREA Intake Orientation Checklist, and Coosa Valley Youth Services Youth PREA Handout.

Standard 115.334: Specialized training: Investigations

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.334 (a)

- In addition to the general training provided to all employees pursuant to §115.331, does the agency ensure that, to the extent the agency itself conducts sexual abuse investigations, its investigators have received training in conducting such investigations in confinement settings? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).)
 Yes No NA

115.334 (b)

- Does this specialized training include techniques for interviewing juvenile sexual abuse victims? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).) Yes No NA
- Does this specialized training include proper use of Miranda and Garrity warnings? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).) Yes No NA
- Does this specialized training include sexual abuse evidence collection in confinement settings? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).) Yes No NA
- Does this specialized training include the criteria and evidence required to substantiate a case for administrative action or prosecution referral? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).)
 Yes No NA

115.334 (c)

- Does the agency maintain documentation that agency investigators have completed the required specialized training in conducting sexual abuse investigations? (N/A if the agency does

not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a.)

Yes No NA

115.334 (d)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has shown compliance through review of the training curriculum for the investigators and through review of the policy that states in addition to the general training provided to all employees pursuant to 115.351 that the agency shall ensure to the extent the center itself conducts investigations that its administrative investigators, including the Executive Director, Assistant Director, and Program Manager, have received training in conducting such investigations in confinement settings. The agency also provides that staff excel in ranking with qualified investigative and further PREA training.

Standard 115.335: Specialized training: Medical and mental health care

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.335 (a)

- Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in: How to detect and assess signs of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)
 Yes No NA
- Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in: How to preserve physical evidence of sexual abuse? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.) Yes No NA

- Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in: How to respond effectively and professionally to juvenile victims of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.) Yes No NA
- Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in: How and to whom to report allegations or suspicions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.) Yes No NA

115.335 (b)

- If medical staff employed by the agency conduct forensic examinations, do such medical staff receive appropriate training to conduct such examinations? (N/A if agency medical staff at the facility do not conduct forensic exams or the agency does not employ medical staff.) Yes No NA

115.335 (c)

- Does the agency maintain documentation that medical and mental health practitioners have received the training referenced in this standard either from the agency or elsewhere? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.) Yes No NA

115.335 (d)

- Do medical and mental health care practitioners employed by the agency also receive training mandated for employees by §115.331? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.) Yes No NA
- Do medical and mental health care practitioners contracted by or volunteering for the agency also receive training mandated for contractors and volunteers by §115.332? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners contracted by or volunteering for the agency.) Yes No NA

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a written policy and procedure in place for medical and mental healthcare practitioners stating the agency nurse and all counseling staff would receive specialized training as required by PREA standards and the agency and that all specialized training would be documented. Determining factors verified through interviews and MOA with 2ndChance, Inc., also through review of training, credentials and interview with the agency's nurse. During the interview process, the nurse had a wealth of knowledge pertaining to PREA and the intent of the standards. The nurse was very thorough and explained the screening and intake process according to policy.

SCREENING FOR RISK OF SEXUAL VICTIMIZATION AND ABUSIVENESS

Standard 115.341: Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.341 (a)

- Within 72 hours of the resident's arrival at the facility, does the agency obtain and use information about each resident's personal history and behavior to reduce risk of sexual abuse by or upon a resident? Yes No
- Does the agency also obtain this information periodically throughout a resident's confinement? Yes No

115.341 (b)

- Are all PREA screening assessments conducted using an objective screening instrument? Yes No

115.341 (c)

- During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: (1) Prior sexual victimization or abusiveness? Yes No
- During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: (2) Any gender nonconforming appearance or manner or identification as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex, and whether the resident may therefore be vulnerable to sexual abuse? Yes No
- During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: (3) Current charges and offense history? Yes No
- During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: (4) Age? Yes No
- During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: (5) Level of emotional and cognitive development? Yes No
- During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: (6) Physical size and stature? Yes No
- During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: (7) Mental illness or mental disabilities? Yes No

- During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: (8) Intellectual or developmental disabilities? Yes No
- During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: (9) Physical disabilities? Yes No
- During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: (10) The residents' own perception of vulnerability? Yes No
- During these PREA screening assessments, at a minimum, does the agency attempt to ascertain information about: (11) Any other specific information about individual residents that may indicate heightened needs for supervision, additional safety precautions, or separation from certain other residents? Yes No

115.341 (d)

- Is this information ascertained through conversations with the resident during the intake process and medical mental health screenings? Yes No
- Is this information ascertained during classification assessments? Yes No
- Is this information ascertained by reviewing court records, case files, facility behavioral records, and other relevant documentation from the resident's files? Yes No

115.341 (e)

- Has the agency implemented appropriate controls on the dissemination within the facility of responses to questions asked pursuant to this standard in order to ensure that sensitive information is not exploited to the resident's detriment by staff or other residents? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a written policy and procedures and conducts screening assessments during intake. Determination of compliance was made through interviews with the agency's nurse, interviews with residents, random interviews with staff, and through review of the Screening for Vulnerability to Victimization & Sexually Aggressive Behavior Form.

Standard 115.342: Use of screening information

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.342 (a)

- Does the agency use all of the information obtained pursuant to § 115.341 and subsequently, with the goal of keeping all residents safe and free from sexual abuse, to make: Housing Assignments? Yes No
- Does the agency use all of the information obtained pursuant to § 115.341 and subsequently, with the goal of keeping all residents safe and free from sexual abuse, to make: Bed assignments? Yes No
- Does the agency use all of the information obtained pursuant to § 115.341 and subsequently, with the goal of keeping all residents safe and free from sexual abuse, to make: Work Assignments? Yes No
- Does the agency use all of the information obtained pursuant to § 115.341 and subsequently, with the goal of keeping all residents safe and free from sexual abuse, to make: Education Assignments? Yes No
- Does the agency use all of the information obtained pursuant to § 115.341 and subsequently, with the goal of keeping all residents safe and free from sexual abuse, to make: Program Assignments? Yes No

115.342 (b)

- Are residents isolated from others only as a last resort when less restrictive measures are inadequate to keep them and other residents safe, and then only until an alternative means of keeping all residents safe can be arranged? (N/A if the facility *never* places residents in isolation for any reason.) Yes No NA
- During any period of isolation, does the agency always refrain from denying residents daily large-muscle exercise? (N/A if the facility *never* places residents in isolation for any reason.) Yes No NA
- During any period of isolation, does the agency always refrain from denying residents any legally required educational programming or special education services? (N/A if the facility *never* places residents in isolation for any reason.) Yes No NA

- Do residents in isolation receive daily visits from a medical or mental health care clinician? (N/A if the facility *never* places residents in isolation for any reason.) Yes No NA
- Do residents in isolation also have access to other programs and work opportunities to the extent possible? (N/A if the facility *never* places residents in isolation for any reason.)
 Yes No NA

115.342 (c)

- Does the agency always refrain from placing lesbian, gay, and bisexual (LGB) residents in particular housing, bed, or other assignments solely on the basis of such identification or status?
 Yes No
- Does the agency always refrain from placing transgender residents in particular housing, bed, or other assignments solely on the basis of such identification or status? Yes No
- Does the agency always refrain from placing intersex residents in particular housing, bed, or other assignments solely on the basis of such identification or status? Yes No
- Does the agency always refrain from considering lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex (LGBTI) identification or status as an indicator or likelihood of being sexually abusive?
 Yes No

115.342 (d)

- When deciding whether to assign a transgender or intersex resident to a facility for male or female residents, does the agency consider, on a case-by-case basis, whether a placement would ensure the resident's health and safety, and whether a placement would present management or security problems (NOTE: if an agency by policy or practice assigns residents to a male or female facility on the basis of anatomy alone, that agency is not in compliance with this standard)? Yes No
- When making housing or other program assignments for transgender or intersex residents, does the agency consider, on a case-by-case basis, whether a placement would ensure the resident's health and safety, and whether a placement would present management or security problems? Yes No

115.342 (e)

- Are placement and programming assignments for each transgender or intersex resident reassessed at least twice each year to review any threats to safety experienced by the resident?
 Yes No

115.342 (f)

- Are each transgender or intersex resident's own views with respect to his or her own safety given serious consideration when making facility and housing placement decisions and programming assignments? Yes No

115.342 (g)

- Are transgender and intersex residents given the opportunity to shower separately from other residents? Yes No

115.342 (h)

- If a resident is isolated pursuant to provision (b) of this section, does the facility clearly document: The basis for the facility's concern for the resident's safety? (N/A if the facility *never* places residents in isolation for any reason.) Yes No NA
- If a resident is isolated pursuant to provision (b) of this section, does the facility clearly document: The reason why no alternative means of separation can be arranged? (N/A if the facility *never* places residents in isolation for any reason.) Yes No NA

115.342 (i)

- In the case of each resident who is isolated as a last resort when less restrictive measures are inadequate to keep them and other residents safe, does the facility afford a review to determine whether there is a continuing need for separation from the general population EVERY 30 DAYS? (N/A if the facility *never* places residents in isolation for any reason.)
 Yes No NA

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Coosa Valley Youth Services does not designate placement based on youth's sexual orientation or gender identity and residents may only be isolated as a last resort when less restrictive measures are inadequate to keep them and other residents safe and only until an alternative means of keeping all residents safe can be arranged. During this audit period, there had not been any transgender or intersex residents to assess. Other verification methods were through random interviews with staff and residents, staff training logs, curriculum, and policy.

REPORTING

Standard 115.351: Resident reporting

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.351 (a)

- Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for residents to privately report: Sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No
- Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for residents to privately report: Retaliation by other residents or staff for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No
- Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for residents to privately report: Staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to such incidents? Yes No

115.351 (b)

- Does the agency also provide at least one way for residents to report sexual abuse or sexual harassment to a public or private entity or office that is not part of the agency? Yes No
- Is that private entity or office able to receive and immediately forward resident reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to agency officials? Yes No
- Does that private entity or office allow the resident to remain anonymous upon request? Yes No
- Are residents detained solely for civil immigration purposes provided information on how to contact relevant consular officials and relevant officials at the Department of Homeland Security to report sexual abuse or harassment? (N/A if the facility *never* houses residents detained solely for civil immigration purposes.) Yes No NA

115.351 (c)

- Do staff members accept reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment made verbally, in writing, anonymously, and from third parties? Yes No
- Do staff members promptly document any verbal reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No

115.351 (d)

- Does the facility provide residents with access to tools necessary to make a written report? Yes No

- Does the agency provide a method for staff to privately report sexual abuse and sexual harassment of residents? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services offers several methods of reporting for residents as stated in policy. Visual observation was through posters, Youth PREA Acknowledgement Statement, and review of policy. Residents could also file grievances, drop a note in the Program Manager’s box in the event a resident did not feel comfortable in giving the grievance to a staff member, or call the toll-free DYS Hotline number (in which the residents have access to the phones at their leisure unless on restriction) or Assistant Director’s number listed on PREA posters around the facility. During the time of audit, interview process with residents, they felt comfortable with the reporting procedures and felt safe at the facility. During staff interviews, it was determined that they had a belief of a reporting population at the facility.

Standard 115.352: Exhaustion of administrative remedies

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.352 (a)

- Is the agency exempt from this standard? NOTE: The agency is exempt ONLY if it does not have administrative procedures to address resident grievances regarding sexual abuse. This does not mean the agency is exempt simply because a resident does not have to or is not ordinarily expected to submit a grievance to report sexual abuse. This means that as a matter of explicit policy, the agency does not have an administrative remedies process to address sexual abuse. Yes No

115.352 (b)

- Does the agency permit residents to submit a grievance regarding an allegation of sexual abuse without any type of time limits? (The agency may apply otherwise-applicable time limits to any

portion of a grievance that does not allege an incident of sexual abuse.) (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA

- Does the agency always refrain from requiring a resident to use any informal grievance process, or to otherwise attempt to resolve with staff, an alleged incident of sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA

115.352 (c)

- Does the agency ensure that: A resident who alleges sexual abuse may submit a grievance without submitting it to a staff member who is the subject of the complaint? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA
- Does the agency ensure that: Such grievance is not referred to a staff member who is the subject of the complaint? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA

115.352 (d)

- Does the agency issue a final agency decision on the merits of any portion of a grievance alleging sexual abuse within 90 days of the initial filing of the grievance? (Computation of the 90-day time period does not include time consumed by residents in preparing any administrative appeal.) (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA
- If the agency determines that the 90-day timeframe is insufficient to make an appropriate decision and claims an extension of time [the maximum allowable extension of time to respond is 70 days per 115.352(d)(3)], does the agency notify the resident in writing of any such extension and provide a date by which a decision will be made? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA
- At any level of the administrative process, including the final level, if the resident does not receive a response within the time allotted for reply, including any properly noticed extension, may a resident consider the absence of a response to be a denial at that level? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA

115.352 (e)

- Are third parties, including fellow residents, staff members, family members, attorneys, and outside advocates, permitted to assist residents in filing requests for administrative remedies relating to allegations of sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA
- Are those third parties also permitted to file such requests on behalf of residents? (If a third party, other than a parent or legal guardian, files such a request on behalf of a resident, the facility may require as a condition of processing the request that the alleged victim agree to have the request filed on his or her behalf, and may also require the alleged victim to personally pursue any subsequent steps in the administrative remedy process.) (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA

- If the resident declines to have the request processed on his or her behalf, does the agency document the resident's decision? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)
 Yes No NA
- Is a parent or legal guardian of a juvenile allowed to file a grievance regarding allegations of sexual abuse, including appeals, on behalf of such juvenile? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA
- If a parent or legal guardian of a juvenile files a grievance (or an appeal) on behalf of a juvenile regarding allegations of sexual abuse, is it the case that those grievances are not conditioned upon the juvenile agreeing to have the request filed on his or her behalf? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA

115.352 (f)

- Has the agency established procedures for the filing of an emergency grievance alleging that a resident is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA
- After receiving an emergency grievance alleging a resident is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, does the agency immediately forward the grievance (or any portion thereof that alleges the substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse) to a level of review at which immediate corrective action may be taken? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)
 Yes No NA
- After receiving an emergency grievance described above, does the agency provide an initial response within 48 hours? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA
- After receiving an emergency grievance described above, does the agency issue a final agency decision within 5 calendar days? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)
 Yes No NA
- Does the initial response and final agency decision document the agency's determination whether the resident is in substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA
- Does the initial response document the agency's action(s) taken in response to the emergency grievance? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA
- Does the agency's final decision document the agency's action(s) taken in response to the emergency grievance? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA

115.352 (g)

- If the agency disciplines a resident for filing a grievance related to alleged sexual abuse, does it do so ONLY where the agency demonstrates that the resident filed the grievance in bad faith? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.) Yes No NA

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a written policy and procedure explaining the process and different methods of reporting.

At the time of audit, the agency had a non-occurrence. The audit team reviewed Youth PREA Acknowledgment Statement, also grievance appeal process, staff training curriculum and resident education checklist.

Standard 115.353: Resident access to outside confidential support services and legal representation

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.353 (a)

- Does the facility provide residents with access to outside victim advocates for emotional support services related to sexual abuse by providing, posting, or otherwise making assessable mailing addresses and telephone numbers, including toll-free hotline numbers where available, of local, State, or national victim advocacy or rape crisis organizations? Yes No
- Does the facility provide persons detained solely for civil immigration purposes mailing addresses and telephone numbers, including toll-free hotline numbers where available of local, State, or national immigrant services agencies? (N/A if the facility *never* has persons detained solely for civil immigration purposes.) Yes No NA
- Does the facility enable reasonable communication between residents and these organizations and agencies, in as confidential a manner as possible? Yes No

115.353 (b)

- Does the facility inform residents, prior to giving them access, of the extent to which such communications will be monitored and the extent to which reports of abuse will be forwarded to authorities in accordance with mandatory reporting laws? Yes No

115.353 (c)

- Does the agency maintain or attempt to enter into memoranda of understanding or other agreements with community service providers that are able to provide residents with confidential emotional support services related to sexual abuse? Yes No
- Does the agency maintain copies of agreements or documentation showing attempts to enter into such agreements? Yes No

115.353 (d)

- Does the facility provide residents with reasonable and confidential access to their attorneys or other legal representation? Yes No
- Does the facility provide residents with reasonable access to parents or legal guardians? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services provides residents with access to outside victim services. Reviewed documented MOA with 2ndChance (rape crisis and child advocacy center), visually observed posting of sexual assault hotline and contact information, and also public notifications posted around the facility and on the agency's website. At the time of audit, there were no occurrences.

Standard 115.354: Third-party reporting

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.354 (a)

- Has the agency established a method to receive third-party reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? Yes No

- Has the agency distributed publicly information on how to report sexual abuse and sexual harassment on behalf of a resident? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a policy establishing a method to receive third party reports of sexual abuse and harassment on behalf of the resident and reporting. The agency also publicly displays information on how to report abuse or harassment on behalf of the residents. Determining factors include review of PREA Acknowledgment form, PREA posters, and agency website. At the time of audit, there were no occurrences.

OFFICIAL RESPONSE FOLLOWING A RESIDENT REPORT

Standard 115.361: Staff and agency reporting duties

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.361 (a)

- Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information regarding an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment that occurred in a facility, whether or not it is part of the agency? Yes No
- Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information regarding retaliation against residents or staff who reported an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment? Yes No
- Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information regarding any staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment or retaliation? Yes No

115.361 (b)

- Does the agency require all staff to comply with any applicable mandatory child abuse reporting laws? Yes No

115.361 (c)

- Apart from reporting to designated supervisors or officials and designated State or local services agencies, are staff prohibited from revealing any information related to a sexual abuse report to anyone other than to the extent necessary, as specified in agency policy, to make treatment, investigation, and other security and management decisions? Yes No

115.361 (d)

- Are medical and mental health practitioners required to report sexual abuse to designated supervisors and officials pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section as well as to the designated State or local services agency where required by mandatory reporting laws? Yes No
- Are medical and mental health practitioners required to inform residents of their duty to report, and the limitations of confidentiality, at the initiation of services? Yes No

115.361 (e)

- Upon receiving any allegation of sexual abuse, does the facility head or his or her designee promptly report the allegation to the appropriate office? Yes No

- Upon receiving any allegation of sexual abuse, does the facility head or his or her designee promptly report the allegation to the alleged victim's parents or legal guardians unless the facility has official documentation showing the parents or legal guardians should not be notified?
 Yes No

- If an alleged victim is under the guardianship of the child welfare system, does the facility head or his or her designee promptly report the allegation to the alleged victim's caseworker instead of the parents or legal guardians? Yes No

- If a juvenile court retains jurisdiction over the alleged victim, does the facility head or designee also report the allegation to the juvenile's attorney or other legal representative of record within 14 days of receiving the allegation? Yes No

115.361 (f)

- Does the facility report all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including third-party and anonymous reports, to the facility's designated investigators? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a policy in place governing the reporting by staff of incidents pertaining to sexual abuse or sexual harassment. All staff are considered mandatory reporters and required to report such incidents immediately. Verifying documentation includes PREA Acknowledgment Statement, Coosa Valley Youth Services PREA Incident Report, staff training log and curriculum, visual posters, pamphlets, handouts, and flyers.

Standard 115.362: Agency protection duties

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.362 (a)

- When the agency learns that a resident is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, does it take immediate action to protect the resident? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a policy that states when it learns that a resident is subject to substantial to imminent sexual abuse it takes immediate action to protect the resident. At the time of audit, there had been a non-occurrence. Determining factors include interviews with staff and training material.

Standard 115.363: Reporting to other confinement facilities

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.363 (a)

- Upon receiving an allegation that a resident was sexually abused while confined at another facility, does the head of the facility that received the allegation notify the head of the facility or appropriate office of the agency where the alleged abuse occurred? Yes No
- Does the head of the facility that received the allegation also notify the appropriate investigative agency? Yes No

115.363 (b)

- Is such notification provided as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours after receiving the allegation? Yes No

115.363 (c)

- Does the agency document that it has provided such notification? Yes No

115.363 (d)

- Does the facility head or agency office that receives such notification ensure that the allegation is investigated in accordance with these standards? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a policy stating upon receiving an allegation that a resident was sexually abused while confined at another facility, the head of that facility that received that allegation will notify the head of the facility or appropriate office where the alleged abuse occurred. This information will be provided and documented as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours after receiving an allegation. This standard compliance was met through written policy and interviews with administration. During the time of audit there had been a non-occurrence.

Standard 115.364: Staff first responder duties

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.364 (a)

- Upon learning of an allegation that a resident was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Separate the alleged victim and abuser? Yes No
- Upon learning of an allegation that a resident was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Preserve and protect any crime scene until appropriate steps can be taken to collect any evidence? Yes No
- Upon learning of an allegation that a resident was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate, washing, brushing teeth,

changing clothes, urinating, defecating, smoking, drinking, or eating, if the abuse occurred within a time period that still allows for the collection of physical evidence? Yes No

- Upon learning of an allegation that a resident was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Ensure that the alleged abuser does not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate, washing, brushing teeth, changing clothes, urinating, defecating, smoking, drinking, or eating, if the abuse occurred within a time period that still allows for the collection of physical evidence? Yes No

115.364 (b)

- If the first staff responder is not a security staff member, is the responder required to request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, and then notify security staff? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has mandated that all employees act as first responders. The policy states that the staff member receiving sexual abuse information will immediately refer the youth to the agency nurse for initial evaluation and determination of the need for an outside medical referral for further testing and evaluation. The standard was verified compliant through random interviews with staff and questions about the first responder duties in which all staff (interviewed) responded appropriately.

Standard 115.365: Coordinated response

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.365 (a)

- Has the facility developed a written institutional plan to coordinate actions among staff first responders, medical and mental health practitioners, investigators, and facility leadership taken in response to an incident of sexual abuse? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a written policy and Agency Coordinated Response to a Sexual Assault Incident Plan the Executive Director and Assistant Director will be notified of all allegations, and where there is an alleged sexual assault, the mandated report will notify law enforcement who will conduct the investigation. Follow-up will be done by the Executive Director for cooperation and assistance, the Agency PREA Coordinator will be notified and together reviews will be conducted to determine if additional services are needed. The audit team reviewed the Coordinated Response Plan.

Standard 115.366: Preservation of ability to protect residents from contact with abusers

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.366 (a)

- Are both the agency and any other governmental entities responsible for collective bargaining on the agency’s behalf prohibited from entering into or renewing any collective bargaining agreement or other agreement that limits the agency’s ability to remove alleged staff sexual abusers from contact with any residents pending the outcome of an investigation or of a determination of whether and to what extent discipline is warranted? Yes No

115.366 (b)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

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Coosa Valley Youth Services at the time of audit had not had any disciplinary actions against staff in relation to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, Administrators and Supervisory Staff will ensure that staff and youth who report sexual abuse and sexual harassment are not victims of any form of retaliation, verified through interviews with Facility Director, PREA Coordinator, and PREA Compliance Manager.

Standard 115.367: Agency protection against retaliation

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.367 (a)

- Has the agency established a policy to protect all residents and staff who report sexual abuse or sexual harassment or cooperate with sexual abuse or sexual harassment investigations from retaliation by other residents or staff? Yes No
- Has the agency designated which staff members or departments are charged with monitoring retaliation? Yes No

115.367 (b)

- Does the agency employ multiple protection measures, such as housing changes or transfers for resident victims or abusers, removal of alleged staff or resident abusers from contact with victims, and emotional support services, for residents or staff who fear retaliation for reporting sexual abuse or sexual harassment or for cooperating with investigations,? Yes No

115.367 (c)

- Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency monitor: The conduct and treatment of residents or staff who reported the sexual abuse to see if there are changes that may suggest possible retaliation by residents or staff? Yes No
- Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency monitor: The conduct

and treatment of residents who were reported to have suffered sexual abuse to see if there are changes that may suggest possible retaliation by residents or staff? Yes No

- Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Act promptly to remedy any such retaliation? Yes No
- Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency monitor: Any resident disciplinary reports? Yes No
- Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency monitor: Resident housing changes? Yes No
- Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency monitor: Resident program changes? Yes No
- Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency monitor: Negative performance reviews of staff? Yes No
- Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency monitor: Reassignments of staff? Yes No
- Does the agency continue such monitoring beyond 90 days if the initial monitoring indicates a continuing need? Yes No

115.367 (d)

- In the case of residents, does such monitoring also include periodic status checks?
 Yes No

115.367 (e)

- If any other individual who cooperates with an investigation expresses a fear of retaliation, does the agency take appropriate measures to protect that individual against retaliation?
 Yes No

115.367 (f)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

Exceeds Standard (*Substantially exceeds requirement of standards*)

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has implemented a policy to protect residents and staff who report sexual abuse or sexual harassment or for said persons who cooperate with sexual abuse and sexual harassment investigators. This implementation is ensured by the Executive Director, Assistant Director, Program Managers, and their Supervisors.

Further verification was met through review of PREA Acknowledgment Statement, PREA Youth Acknowledgment Statement, Juvenile PREA Intake Orientation Checklist, and Coosa Valley Youth Services Youth PREA Handout, and interviews with staff and residents who equally shared a comfort with the agency’s rules and regulations pertaining to the prohibition of retaliation.

Standard 115.368: Post-allegation protective custody

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.368 (a)

- Is any and all use of segregated housing to protect a resident who is alleged to have suffered sexual abuse subject to the requirements of § 115.342? Yes No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a written policy stating the program manager will make a housing assessment and develop a housing plan to ensure the alleged victim and alleged perpetrator do not have contact with each other. During this audit period, there had been a non-occurrence.

INVESTIGATIONS

Standard 115.371: Criminal and administrative agency investigations

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.371 (a)

- When the agency conducts its own investigations into allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, does it do so promptly, thoroughly, and objectively? [N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).] Yes No NA
- Does the agency conduct such investigations for all allegations, including third party and anonymous reports? [N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).] Yes No NA

115.371 (b)

- Where sexual abuse is alleged, does the agency use investigators who have received specialized training in sexual abuse investigations involving juvenile victims as required by 115.334? Yes No

115.371 (c)

- Do investigators gather and preserve direct and circumstantial evidence, including any available physical and DNA evidence and any available electronic monitoring data? Yes No
- Do investigators interview alleged victims, suspected perpetrators, and witnesses? Yes No
- Do investigators review prior reports and complaints of sexual abuse involving the suspected perpetrator? Yes No

115.371 (d)

- Does the agency always refrain from terminating an investigation solely because the source of the allegation recants the allegation? Yes No

115.371 (e)

- When the quality of evidence appears to support criminal prosecution, does the agency conduct compelled interviews only after consulting with prosecutors as to whether compelled interviews may be an obstacle for subsequent criminal prosecution? Yes No

115.371 (f)

- Do agency investigators assess the credibility of an alleged victim, suspect, or witness on an individual basis and not on the basis of that individual's status as resident or staff?
 Yes No
- Does the agency investigate allegations of sexual abuse without requiring a resident who alleges sexual abuse to submit to a polygraph examination or other truth-telling device as a condition for proceeding? Yes No

115.371 (g)

- Do administrative investigations include an effort to determine whether staff actions or failures to act contributed to the abuse? Yes No
- Are administrative investigations documented in written reports that include a description of the physical evidence and testimonial evidence, the reasoning behind credibility assessments, and investigative facts and findings? Yes No

115.371 (h)

- Are criminal investigations documented in a written report that contains a thorough description of the physical, testimonial, and documentary evidence and attaches copies of all documentary evidence where feasible? Yes No

115.371 (i)

- Are all substantiated allegations of conduct that appears to be criminal referred for prosecution?
 Yes No

115.371 (j)

- Does the agency retain all written reports referenced in 115.371(g) and (h) for as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or employed by the agency, plus five years unless the abuse was committed by a juvenile resident and applicable law requires a shorter period of retention?
 Yes No

115.371 (k)

- Does the agency ensure that the departure of an alleged abuser or victim from the employment or control of the agency does not provide a basis for terminating an investigation?
 Yes No

115.371 (l)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

115.371 (m)

- When an outside agency investigates sexual abuse, does the facility cooperate with outside investigators and endeavor to remain informed about the progress of the investigation? (N/A if an outside agency does not conduct administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.321(a).) Yes No NA

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has administration investigation teams who conduct all administrative investigations and if the investigation results in criminal activity, the agency will then refer the investigation to the presiding law enforcement agency. Other supporting documentation includes training module curriculum and policy.

Standard 115.372: Evidentiary standard for administrative investigations

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.372 (a)

- Is it true that the agency does not impose a standard higher than a preponderance of the evidence in determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated? Yes No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

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Does Not Meet Standard (Requires Corrective Action)

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a written policy stating that the agency will impose no standard higher than a preponderance of evidence in determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated the Executive Director or Designee is responsible for conducting internal administrative investigations of sexual abuse/sexual harassment. Supporting documentation includes training curriculum for administrative investigators, interviews with PREA Coordinator.

Standard 115.373: Reporting to residents

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.373 (a)

- Following an investigation into a resident's allegation that he or she suffered sexual abuse in an agency facility, does the agency inform the resident as to whether the allegation has been determined to be substantiated, unsubstantiated, or unfounded? Yes No

115.373 (b)

- If the agency did not conduct the investigation into a resident's allegation of sexual abuse in the agency's facility, does the agency request the relevant information from the investigative agency in order to inform the resident? (N/A if the agency/facility is responsible for conducting administrative and criminal investigations.) Yes No NA

115.373 (c)

- Following a resident's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The staff member is no longer posted within the resident's unit? Yes No
- Following a resident's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The staff member is no longer employed at the facility? Yes No
- Following a resident's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident

whenever: The agency learns that the staff member has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse in the facility? Yes No

- Following a resident's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The agency learns that the staff member has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility? Yes No

115.373 (d)

- Following a resident's allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another resident, does the agency subsequently inform the alleged victim whenever: The agency learns that the alleged abuser has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility? Yes No
- Following a resident's allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another resident, does the agency subsequently inform the alleged victim whenever: The agency learns that the alleged abuser has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility? Yes No

115.373 (e)

- Does the agency document all such notifications or attempted notifications? Yes No

115.373 (f)

- Auditor is not required to audit this provision.

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a written policy stating the agency should follow an investigation of a resident's allegation and the agency shall inform the resident as to whether the allegation has been

substantiated, unsubstantiated, or unfounded. Procedures state upon completion of an investigation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment the Executive Director shall inform the resident of the findings. During this audit period, there had been a non-occurrence. Found Compliant through interview with Facility Director and PREA Coordinator, and review of Individual Counseling form.

DISCIPLINE

Standard 115.376: Disciplinary sanctions for staff

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.376 (a)

- Are staff subject to disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies? Yes No

115.376 (b)

- Is termination the presumptive disciplinary sanction for staff who have engaged in sexual abuse? Yes No

115.376 (c)

- Are disciplinary sanctions for violations of agency policies relating to sexual abuse or sexual harassment (other than actually engaging in sexual abuse) commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the acts committed, the staff member's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other staff with similar histories? Yes No

115.376 (d)

- Are all terminations for violations of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies, or resignations by staff who would have been terminated if not for their resignation, reported to: Law enforcement agencies (unless the activity was clearly not criminal)? Yes No
- Are all terminations for violations of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies, or resignations by staff who would have been terminated if not for their resignation, reported to: Relevant licensing bodies? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Detention Center has a policy in place that confirms the disciplinary sanctions for staff up to termination for violating the zero tolerance policy set forth in standard 115. 311.

During this audit period, there had been a non-occurrence. Determining factors, zero tolerance policy, communication with the PREA Coordinator, and review of the disciplinary procedures set forth in the personnel policy.

Standard 115.377: Corrective action for contractors and volunteers

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.377 (a)

- Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse prohibited from contact with residents? Yes No
- Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse reported to: Law enforcement agencies (unless the activity was clearly not criminal)? Yes No
- Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse reported to: Relevant licensing bodies? Yes No

115.377 (b)

- In the case of any other violation of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies by a contractor or volunteer, does the facility take appropriate remedial measures, and consider whether to prohibit further contact with residents? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services policy ensures that all volunteers and contractors review the zero tolerance policy. Other supporting documentation and information includes PREA Acknowledgment Statement and interviews with Administration. During the time of audit, there were no volunteers or contractors available for interview, however the audit team reviewed signed documentation of the Guidelines for Volunteers and Contractors, volunteer applications and Child Abuse and Neglect Registry Clearance Forms.

Standard 115.378: Interventions and disciplinary sanctions for residents

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.378 (a)

- Following an administrative finding that a resident engaged in resident-on-resident sexual abuse, or following a criminal finding of guilt for resident-on-resident sexual abuse, may residents be subject to disciplinary sanctions only pursuant to a formal disciplinary process?
 Yes No

115.378 (b)

- Are disciplinary sanctions commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the abuse committed, the resident's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other residents with similar histories? Yes No
- In the event a disciplinary sanction results in the isolation of a resident, does the agency ensure the resident is not denied daily large-muscle exercise? Yes No
- In the event a disciplinary sanction results in the isolation of a resident, does the agency ensure the resident is not denied access to any legally required educational programming or special education services? Yes No
- In the event a disciplinary sanction results in the isolation of a resident, does the agency ensure the resident receives daily visits from a medical or mental health care clinician? Yes No
- In the event a disciplinary sanction results in the isolation of a resident, does the resident also have access to other programs and work opportunities to the extent possible? Yes No

115.378 (c)

- When determining what types of sanction, if any, should be imposed, does the disciplinary process consider whether a resident's mental disabilities or mental illness contributed to his or her behavior? Yes No

115.378 (d)

- If the facility offers therapy, counseling, or other interventions designed to address and correct underlying reasons or motivations for the abuse, does the facility consider whether to offer the offending resident participation in such interventions? Yes No
- If the agency requires participation in such interventions as a condition of access to any rewards-based behavior management system or other behavior-based incentives, does it always refrain from requiring such participation as a condition to accessing general programming or education? Yes No

115.378 (e)

- Does the agency discipline a resident for sexual contact with staff only upon a finding that the staff member did not consent to such contact? Yes No

115.378 (f)

- For the purpose of disciplinary action does a report of sexual abuse made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief that the alleged conduct occurred NOT constitute falsely reporting an incident or lying, even if an investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation? Yes No

115.378 (g)

- If the agency prohibits all sexual activity between residents, does the agency always refrain from considering non-coercive sexual activity between residents to be sexual abuse? (N/A if the agency does not prohibit all sexual activity between residents.) Yes No NA

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Coosa Valley Youth Services policy and procedures states that the agency offers therapy, counseling and other interventions to assist residents in the event of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Residents may be subject to disciplinary sanctions only pursuant to a formal disciplinary process following an administrative finding that the resident engaged in resident on resident sexual abuse or

following a criminal finding of guilt for resident on resident sexual abuse. Supporting documentation includes PREA Youth Acknowledgment Statement, Juvenile PREA Intake Orientation Checklist, MOA with 2ndChance, and PREA Handout. At the time of audit, there had been a non-occurrence.

MEDICAL AND MENTAL CARE

Standard 115.381: Medical and mental health screenings; history of sexual abuse

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.381 (a)

- If the screening pursuant to § 115.341 indicates that a resident has experienced prior sexual victimization, whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, do staff ensure that the resident is offered a follow-up meeting with a medical or mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening? Yes No

115.381 (b)

- If the screening pursuant to § 115.341 indicates that a resident has previously perpetrated sexual abuse, whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, do staff ensure that the resident is offered a follow-up meeting with a mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening? Yes No

115.381 (c)

- Is any information related to sexual victimization or abusiveness that occurred in an institutional setting strictly limited to medical and mental health practitioners and other staff as necessary to inform treatment plans and security management decisions, including housing, bed, work, education, and program assignments, or as otherwise required by Federal, State, or local law? Yes No

115.381 (d)

- Do medical and mental health practitioners obtain informed consent from residents before reporting information about prior sexual victimization that did not occur in an institutional setting, unless the resident is under the age of 18? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has policy on medical and mental health screenings. They have an agency nurse who assesses and assists the detainees. The nurse is very knowledgeable of the mental and health screening process and is very aware of the screening for victimization. Supporting documentation includes review of nurse credentials, PREA Youth Acknowledgment Statement, and interview with the nurse. At the time of audit, there had been a non-occurrence.

Standard 115.382: Access to emergency medical and mental health services

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.382 (a)

- Do resident victims of sexual abuse receive timely, unimpeded access to emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services, the nature and scope of which are determined by medical and mental health practitioners according to their professional judgment? Yes No

115.382 (b)

- If no qualified medical or mental health practitioners are on duty at the time a report of recent sexual abuse is made, do staff first responders take preliminary steps to protect the victim pursuant to § 115.362? Yes No
- Do staff first responders immediately notify the appropriate medical and mental health practitioners? Yes No

115.382 (c)

- Are resident victims of sexual abuse offered timely information about and timely access to emergency contraception and sexually transmitted infections prophylaxis, in accordance with professionally accepted standards of care, where medically appropriate? Yes No

115.382 (d)

- Are treatment services provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has collaborated with the 2ndChance Advocacy Center in which they have MOA established agreeing to assist the facility by providing treatment and services to residents who are victims of sexual abuse. During the time of audit, there had been a non-occurrence.

Standard 115.383: Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.383 (a)

- Does the facility offer medical and mental health evaluation and, as appropriate, treatment to all residents who have been victimized by sexual abuse in any prison, jail, lockup, or juvenile facility? Yes No

115.383 (b)

- Does the evaluation and treatment of such victims include, as appropriate, follow-up services, treatment plans, and, when necessary, referrals for continued care following their transfer to, or placement in, other facilities, or their release from custody? Yes No

115.383 (c)

- Does the facility provide such victims with medical and mental health services consistent with the community level of care? Yes No

115.383 (d)

- Are resident victims of sexually abusive vaginal penetration while incarcerated offered pregnancy tests? (N/A if “all-male” facility. *Note: in “all-male” facilities, there may be residents who identify as transgender men who may have female genitalia. Auditors should be sure to*

know whether such individuals may be in the population and whether this provision may apply in specific circumstances.) Yes No NA

115.383 (e)

- If pregnancy results from the conduct described in paragraph § 115.383(d), do such victims receive timely and comprehensive information about and timely access to all lawful pregnancy-related medical services? (N/A if “all-male” facility. *Note: in “all-male” facilities, there may be residents who identify as transgender men who may have female genitalia. Auditors should be sure to know whether such individuals may be in the population and whether this provision may apply in specific circumstances.*) Yes No NA

115.383 (f)

- Are resident victims of sexual abuse while incarcerated offered tests for sexually transmitted infections as medically appropriate? Yes No

115.383 (g)

- Are treatment services provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident? Yes No

115.383 (h)

- Does the facility attempt to conduct a mental health evaluation of all known resident-on-resident abusers within 60 days of learning of such abuse history and offer treatment when deemed appropriate by mental health practitioners? Yes No

Auditor Overall Compliance Determination

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has collaborated with 2ndChance Advocacy Center in which they have an MOA established agreeing to assist the agency by providing treatment and services to residents who are victims of sexual abuse. These services are located on handouts, on posters around the walls and are accessible for parents in the event they choose to continue ongoing services. During the time of audit, there had been a non-occurrence.

DATA COLLECTION AND REVIEW

Standard 115.386: Sexual abuse incident reviews

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.386 (a)

- Does the facility conduct a sexual abuse incident review at the conclusion of every sexual abuse investigation, including where the allegation has not been substantiated, unless the allegation has been determined to be unfounded? Yes No

115.386 (b)

- Does such review ordinarily occur within 30 days of the conclusion of the investigation? Yes No

115.386 (c)

- Does the review team include upper-level management officials, with input from line supervisors, investigators, and medical or mental health practitioners? Yes No

115.386 (d)

- Does the review team: Consider whether the allegation or investigation indicates a need to change policy or practice to better prevent, detect, or respond to sexual abuse? Yes No
- Does the review team: Consider whether the incident or allegation was motivated by race; ethnicity; gender identity; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex identification, status, or perceived status; gang affiliation; or other group dynamics at the facility? Yes No
- Does the review team: Examine the area in the facility where the incident allegedly occurred to assess whether physical barriers in the area may enable abuse? Yes No
- Does the review team: Assess the adequacy of staffing levels in that area during different shifts? Yes No
- Does the review team: Assess whether monitoring technology should be deployed or augmented to supplement supervision by staff? Yes No
- Does the review team: Prepare a report of its findings, including but not necessarily limited to determinations made pursuant to §§ 115.386(d)(1) - (d)(5), and any recommendations for improvement and submit such report to the facility head and PREA compliance manager? Yes No

115.386 (e)

- Does the facility implement the recommendations for improvement, or document its reasons for not doing so? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a policy on conducting sexual abuse incident reviews. These reviews will be conducted by the Coosa Valley Youth Service Incident Review Team, the Program Manager will then evaluate the following; ensure victim receives the required treatment, assess potential causes of incident or allegation, identify and physical barriers, identify adequacy of staffing, assessing technology, and ensure all identified corrective action is documented. This process was verified through interviews with Administration. During the time of audit, there had been a non-occurrence.

Standard 115.387: Data collection

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.387 (a)

- Does the agency collect accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse at facilities under its direct control using a standardized instrument and set of definitions? Yes No

115.387 (b)

- Does the agency aggregate the incident-based sexual abuse data at least annually? Yes No

115.387 (c)

- Does the incident-based data include, at a minimum, the data necessary to answer all questions from the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence conducted by the Department of Justice? Yes No

115.387 (d)

- Does the agency maintain, review, and collect data as needed from all available incident-based documents, including reports, investigation files, and sexual abuse incident reviews? Yes No

115.387 (e)

- Does the agency also obtain incident-based and aggregated data from every private facility with which it contracts for the confinement of its residents? (N/A if agency does not contract for the confinement of its residents.) Yes No NA

115.387 (f)

- Does the agency, upon request, provide all such data from the previous calendar year to the Department of Justice no later than June 30? (N/A if DOJ has not requested agency data.) Yes No NA

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a policy for sexual abuse data collection. This process includes the collection, accuracy, and uniformity of data for every allegation of sexual abuse using a standardized PREA Incident Report. This will be done in collaboration of the Executive Director's completion of the reports and PREA Coordinator's review for improvement for effectiveness of the agency's PREA practices and training. At this time, PREA information links to the agency's website will be maintained by the PREA Coordinator. The audit team verified this information by interviewing the PREA Coordinator. During the time of audit, there had been a non-occurrence.

Standard 115.388: Data review for corrective action

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.388 (a)

- Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.387 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Identifying problem areas? Yes No
- Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.387 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Taking corrective action on an ongoing basis? Yes No
- Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.387 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Preparing an annual report of its findings and corrective actions for each facility, as well as the agency as a whole? Yes No

115.388 (b)

- Does the agency's annual report include a comparison of the current year's data and corrective actions with those from prior years and provide an assessment of the agency's progress in addressing sexual abuse? Yes No

115.388 (c)

- Is the agency's annual report approved by the agency head and made readily available to the public through its website or, if it does not have one, through other means? Yes No

115.388 (d)

- Does the agency indicate the nature of the material redacted where it redacts specific material from the reports when publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of a facility? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services will document corrective action plans and will report findings from data reviews or corrective actions annually. This information will be maintained by the PREA Coordinator. The agency will make all aggregated sexual data as well as the annual report readily available to the public annually through its website. During the time of audit, there had been a non-occurrence.

Standard 115.389: Data storage, publication, and destruction

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.389 (a)

- Does the agency ensure that data collected pursuant to § 115.387 are securely retained?
 Yes No

115.389 (b)

- Does the agency make all aggregated sexual abuse data, from facilities under its direct control and private facilities with which it contracts, readily available to the public at least annually through its website or, if it does not have one, through other means? Yes No

115.389 (c)

- Does the agency remove all personal identifiers before making aggregated sexual abuse data publicly available? Yes No

115.389 (d)

- Does the agency maintain sexual abuse data collected pursuant to § 115.387 for at least 10 years after the date of the initial collection, unless Federal, State, or local law requires otherwise? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has a policy requiring that incident based and aggregated data is securely retained. This information will be made readily available to the public through publication, removing all personal identifiers and will be maintained for at least 10 years after the date of its initial collection or until the year the youngest youth involved turns 26; whichever is longer. This information is verifiable through the PREA Coordinator or Facility Director.

AUDITING AND CORRECTIVE ACTION

Standard 115.401: Frequency and scope of audits

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.401 (a)

- During the prior three-year audit period, did the agency ensure that each facility operated by the agency, or by a private organization on behalf of the agency, was audited at least once? (*Note: The response here is purely informational. A "no" response does not impact overall compliance with this standard.*) Yes No

115.401 (b)

- Is this the first year of the current audit cycle? (*Note: a "no" response does not impact overall compliance with this standard.*) Yes No
- If this is the second year of the current audit cycle, did the agency ensure that at least one-third of each facility type operated by the agency, or by a private organization on behalf of the agency, was audited during the first year of the current audit cycle? (N/A if this is **not** the *second* year of the current audit cycle.) Yes No NA
- If this is the third year of the current audit cycle, did the agency ensure that at least two-thirds of each facility type operated by the agency, or by a private organization on behalf of the agency, were audited during the first two years of the current audit cycle? (N/A if this is **not** the *third* year of the current audit cycle.) Yes No NA

115.401 (h)

- Did the auditor have access to, and the ability to observe, all areas of the audited facility? Yes No

115.401 (i)

- Was the auditor permitted to request and receive copies of any relevant documents (including electronically stored information)? Yes No

115.401 (m)

- Was the auditor permitted to conduct private interviews with residents? Yes No

115.401 (n)

- Were residents permitted to send confidential information or correspondence to the auditor in the same manner as if they were communicating with legal counsel? Yes No

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Coosa Valley Youth Services provided access to the Auditing Team and allowed for relevant documents to be reviewed. The Notice of Audit was also posted for correspondence to be sent to the Auditor confidentially as they would legal counsel.

Standard 115.403: Audit contents and findings

All Yes/No Questions Must Be Answered by the Auditor to Complete the Report

115.403 (f)

- The agency has published on its agency website, if it has one, or has otherwise made publicly available, all Final Audit Reports. The review period is for prior audits completed during the past three years PRECEDING THIS AGENCY AUDIT. The pendency of any agency appeal pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 115.405 does not excuse noncompliance with this provision. (N/A if there have been no Final Audit Reports issued in the past three years, or in the case of single facility agencies that there has never been a Final Audit Report issued.) Yes No NA

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Coosa Valley Youth Services has successfully met the requirements of the PREA Standards and has Implemented Zero Tolerance throughout their Organization. The Agency website is; cvys.net

AUDITOR CERTIFICATION

I certify that:

- The contents of this report are accurate to the best of my knowledge.
- No conflict of interest exists with respect to my ability to conduct an audit of the agency under review, and
- I have not included in the final report any personally identifiable information (PII) about any resident or staff member, except where the names of administrative personnel are specifically requested in the report template.

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Kimberly C. Bonner

October 4, 2019

Auditor Signature

Date

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² See *PREA Auditor Handbook*, Version 1.0, August 2017; Pages 68-69.