

# PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION ACT (PREA)

## VICTIM SERVICES STANDARDS For Prisons, Jails, and Juvenile Facilities

### ✓ PRISON & JAIL STANDARDS

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#### Evidence Protocol and Forensic Medical Examinations

(d) The agency shall attempt to make available to the victim a victim advocate from a rape crisis center. If a rape crisis center is not available to provide victim advocate services, the agency shall make available to provide these services a qualified staff member from a community based organization, or a qualified agency staff member. Agencies shall document efforts to secure services from rape crisis centers. For the purpose of this standard, a rape crisis center refers to an entity that provides intervention and related assistance...to victims of sexual assault of all ages. The agency may utilize a rape crisis center that is part of a governmental unit as long as the center is not part of the criminal justice system and offers a comparable level of confidentiality as a nongovernmental entity that provides similar victim services.

(e) As requested by the victim, the victim advocate... shall accompany and support the victim through the forensic medical examination process and investigatory interviews and shall provide emotional support, crisis intervention, information, and referrals.

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#### Inmate Access to Outside Confidential Support Services

(a) The facility shall provide inmates with access to outside victim advocates for emotional support services related to sexual abuse...[and] shall enable reasonable communication between inmates and these organizations and agencies, in as confidential a manner as possible.

(c) The agency shall maintain or attempt to enter into memoranda of understanding or other agreements with community service providers that are able to provide inmates with confidential emotional support services related to sexual abuse. The agency shall maintain copies of agreements or documentation showing attempts to enter into such agreements.

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#### Access to Emergency Medical and Mental Health Services

(a) Inmate victims of sexual abuse shall receive timely, unimpeded access to emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services.

### ✓ JUVENILE FACILITY STANDARDS

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#### Evidence Protocol and Forensic Medical Evaluations

*(mirrors Prison and Jail Standards)*

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#### Resident Access to Outside Support Services

*(mirrors Prison and Jail Standards)*

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#### Access to Emergency Medical and Mental Health Services

*(mirrors Prison and Jail Standards)*



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