MEHERRIN RIVER REGIONAL JAIL

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The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003 is a federal law established to support the elimination and prevention of sexual assault and sexual misconduct in correctional systems. PREA addresses both inmate-to-inmate sexual assault and staff-to-inmate sexual assault. The Meherrin River Regional Jail fully supports the guidelines set forth in this law and has ZERO-TOLERANCE for any and all incidents of sexual assault and sexual misconduct in accordance with the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003.

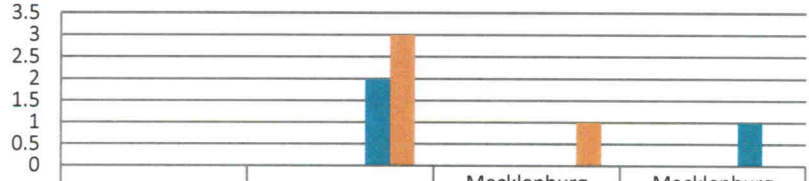
This report provides a comparison of incidents from 2013 and 2014 and will be utilized by the PREA Coordinator to identify problem areas and formulate corrective measures in efforts of reducing future incidents of sexual abuse.

In accordance with PREA, all investigations are assigned one of three possible determinations:

Substantiated – an allegation which was investigated and determined to have occurred.
Unsubstantiated – an allegation which provided insufficient evidence to make a final determination of a substantiated or unfounded claim.
Unfounded – an allegation which was investigated and determined not to have occurred.

In 2014, there were 5 unfounded allegations for the Alberta facility and 1 unfounded allegation for the Mecklenburg facility. The chart below provides a comparison between 2014 and 2013.

PREA Data Collection And Review



	Alberta 2013	Alberta 2014	Mecklenburg 2013	Mecklenburg 2014
Substantiated - Inmate to Inmate	0	0	0	0
Substantiated - Staff to Inmate	0	0	0	0
Unsubstantiated - Inmate to Inmate	0	0	0	0
Unsubstantiated - Staff to Inmate	0	0	0	0
Unfounded - Inmate to Inmate	0	2	0	1
Unfounded - Staff to Inmate	0	3	1	0

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Of the 5 unfounded allegations at the Alberta facility, 3 allegations were MRRJ staff to inmate and 2 allegations were inmate to inmate. Due to the investigative efforts of MRRJ along with the Brunswick County Sheriff's Office, all 5 allegations were unfounded.

For the Mecklenburg facility, in 2013 the 1 allegation was MRRJ staff to inmate and 2014, 1 allegation was inmate to inmate. Due to the investigative efforts of MRRJ along with the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office, both allegations were unfounded.

The locations of the allegations for both facilities were all in different locations within the facility. No problem areas were identified and no corrective measures needed at this time.

Meherrin River Regional Jail makes every effort for reducing and/or eliminating staff on inmate and inmate on inmate sexual abuse and sexual harassment. This will be done by continuous inmate education along with staff training. This was validated by MRRJ's results with the Alberta facility successfully attaining PREA certification with no corrective measures deemed necessary. The Mecklenburg facility is scheduled to be audited later this year. Meherrin River Regional Jail has continued expectations of successfully attaining PREA certification without corrective action being necessary.

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