

**Lancaster County  
Detention Center  
Zero Tolerance Policy**

**THE LANCASTER  
COUNTY DETENTION  
CENTER IS COMMITTED  
TO THE SAFETY AND  
SECURITY OF ITS INMATE  
POPULATION AND STAFF.**

**THE LANCASTER  
COUNTY DETENTION  
CENTER SUPPORTS A  
*ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY*  
AGAINST SEXUAL  
MISCONDUCT,  
CONSENSUAL SEXUAL  
CONTACT, SEXUAL  
ABUSE, SEXUAL  
HARASSMENT AND RAPE  
BY ANY INMATE AGAINST  
ANOTHER INMATE OR BY  
ANY STAFF MEMBER  
AGAINST AN INMATE.**



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**ELIMINATION ACT  
IMPORTANT  
INFORMATION FOR  
FAMILY MEMBERS,  
FRIENDS, AND  
VISITORS**

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# PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION ACT (PREA) OF 2003



The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003 is a federal Act established to support detection, investigation and prevention of sexual assaults, sexual misconduct and harassment in correctional settings. PREA addresses inmate-to-inmate and staff-to-inmate sexual assaults.

## ZERO TOLERANCE

The Lancaster County Detention Center (LCDC) supports PREA, and is committed to the safety and security of its inmates. The LCDC has a **zero tolerance** policy against sexual misconduct, consensual sexual activity, rape, sexual abuse, sexual harassment, and sexual coercion. All incidents will be treated as serious offenses. Perpetrators will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law and will be subject to disciplinary action. Victimized inmates will be provided access to counseling, medical and victim services. All reports will be handled confidentially.

## REPORT INCIDENTS!

The detention center has implemented ways you can confidentially report sexual misconduct on behalf of an inmate. By making us aware, you are not only assisting us in our zero tolerance efforts, but you are also allowing victimized inmates the ability to access treatment services to help them deal with the consequences of being a victim. You can:

**Report All  
Known or  
Suspicious  
Incidents!**

- **Report** sexual misconduct to any staff member either in writing or verbally;
- **Contact** the PREA Coordinator by phone at (803) 283-2084. Ask to speak to the PREA Coordinator. If the Coordinator is not available, you may leave a message.

Once you report an incident, your report will be investigated immediately and confidentially. You can also confidentially report activity you have witnessed or have been informed may have happened to another inmate.

Even if you are unsure whether an incident is a PREA incident, **report it**. The information you provide may help prevent a future incident or may protect another person from harm.

## WAYS YOU CAN HELP!

Tell your family member, friend associate, or client to follow these important prevention tips:

- **Never accept gifts from staff, other inmates, volunteers or contractors. If they are presented with gifts, tell them to report this information. This can be the first step toward preventing any further incidents.**
- Be cautious of inmates who offer to protect them. Immediately report this activity directly to a staff member.
- **Always stay in plain view of an officer.**
- Always report any situation where they or another inmate is pressuring them for sexual favors. Don't wait to report an incident!
- **If they are victimized, tell them to report it to a staff member immediately. If they are afraid to report an incident, reassure them that all incidents will be investigated confidentially. Also, let them know the detention center has implemented procedures to guard against retaliation.**
- If they do not report an incident, let them know you will!