

Virginia Department of Corrections Prison Rape Elimination Act 2025 Annual Report



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**VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
2025 PREA ANNUAL REPORT**

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I. History

Enacted in 2003, the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) was designed to study the prevalence and impact of sexual abuse in correctional settings and to provide resources, guidance, and funding to support its prevention.

Building on this framework, PREA standards require annual audits of at least one-third of facilities and statewide certification of compliance, with noncompliance resulting in a 5% reduction in certain federal grant funding.

II. Purpose

The Virginia Department of Corrections (VADOC) enforces a zero-tolerance policy for rape and sexual abuse in all facilities and is committed to PREA's mission to enhance public safety through the detection, prevention, reduction, and punishment of prison rape.

III. Reporting and Data Collection

Building on this framework, PREA establishes national standards to strengthen the prevention, detection, and response to sexual abuse. Consistent with these requirements, and pursuant to 28 C.F.R. §§ 115.88 and 115.288, this report details findings, corrective actions, key accomplishments, and comparative data for 2022–2025.

IV. Definitions:

- Community Corrections Alternative Program (CCAP) - A system of residential facilities operated by the Department of Corrections to provide evidence-based programming as a diversionary alternative to incarceration in accordance with COV §53.1-67.9, Establishment of community corrections alternative program; supervision upon completion.
- Facility - Any institution or Community Corrections Alternative Program.
- Inmate - A person who is incarcerated in a Virginia Department of Corrections facility or who is Virginia Department of Corrections responsible to serve a state sentence.
- Institution - A prison facility operated by the Department of Corrections; including major institutions, field units, and work centers.
- Probationer/Parolee – A person who is on community supervision as the result of the commission of a criminal offense and released to the community under the jurisdiction of Courts, paroling authorities, the Virginia Department of Corrections, or other release authority; this includes post release supervision and Community Corrections Alternative Programs.
- Sexual Abuse:
 - Inmate-on-inmate or CCAP probationer/parolee-on-CCAP probationer/parolee includes any of the following acts if the victim does not consent, is coerced into such act by overt or implied threats of violence, or is unable to consent or refuse:
 - Contact between the penis and the vulva or the penis and the anus, including penetration, however slight.
 - Contact between the mouth and the penis, vulva, or anus.
 - Penetration of the anal or genital opening of another person, however slight, by a hand, finger, object, or other instrument.

- Sexual Abuse - *continued*
 - Any other intentional touching, either directly or through the clothing of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or the buttocks of another person, excluding incident to a physical altercation.
 - Inmate or CCAP probationer/parolee by employees, contractors, volunteers or interns includes any of the following acts, with or without consent of the inmate or probationer/parolee:
 - Contact between the penis and the vulva or the penis and the anus, including penetration, however, slight.
 - Contact between the mouth and the penis, vulva, or anus.
 - Contact between the mouth and any body part where the staff member, contractor, or volunteer has the intent to abuse, arouse, or gratify sexual desire.
 - Penetration of the anal or genital opening, however slight, by a hand, finger, object, or other instrument, that is unrelated to official duties or where the staff member, contractor, or volunteer has the intent to abuse, arouse, or gratify sexual desire.
 - Any other intentional contact, either directly or through the clothing, of or with the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or the buttocks, that is unrelated to official duties or where the staff member, contractor, volunteer or intern has the intent to abuse, arouse, or gratify sexual desire.
 - Any attempt, threat, or request by a staff member, contractor, volunteer or intern to engage in the activities described as sexual abuse in this section.
 - Any display by a staff member, contractor, volunteer or intern of their uncovered genitalia, buttocks, or breast in the presence of an inmate or CCAP probationer/parolee.
 - Voyeurism by a staff member, contractor, volunteer, or intern
 - This definition does not include incidental touching during security searches, medical personnel engaged in evidence gathering or legitimate medical treatment, or to health care personnel performing body cavity searches in order to maintain security and safety within a facility.

- Sexual Harassment
 - Repeated and unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or verbal comments, gestures, or actions of a derogatory or offensive sexual nature by one inmate or CCAP probationer/parolee directed toward another.
 - Verbal comments or gestures of a sexual nature to an inmate or CCAP probationer/parolee by a staff member, contractor, volunteer, or intern including demeaning references to gender, sexually suggestive or derogatory comments about body or clothing, or obscene language or gestures, including but not limited to the intentional or repeated use of a gendered pronoun or form of address that does not reflect the gender identity of the inmate or CCAP probationer/parolee being addressed.
- Sexual Misconduct – Any behavior or act of a sexual nature directed toward an inmate/probationer/parolee or an employee by an employee, volunteer, contractor, visitor, or agency representative; this includes but is not limited to acts or attempts to commit such acts of sexual assault, sexual abuse, sexual harassment, sexual contact, conduct /of a sexual nature or implication, obscenity, and unreasonable invasion of privacy.
- Substantiated Allegation – An allegation that was investigated and determined to have occurred.
- Unfounded Allegation – An allegation that was investigated and determined not to have occurred.
- Unsubstantiated Allegation – An allegation that was investigated and the investigation produced insufficient evidence to make a final determination as to whether or not the event occurred.

V. Facility Overview

The Virginia Department of Corrections ensures public safety through effective incarceration, supervision, and evidence-based reentry services. The state is divided into Central (15 institutions, 1 CCAP), Eastern (10 institutions, 1 CCAP), and Western (11 institutions, 3 CCAP) regions, with data reported statewide and by region.

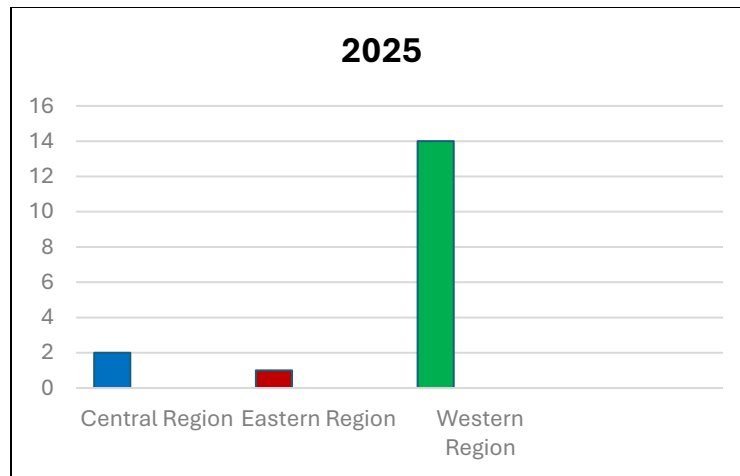
Central Region: Baskerville Correctional Center, Beaumont Correctional Center, Buckingham Correctional Center, Central Virginia Correctional Unit (female facility), Chesterfield Community Corrections Alternative Program (female facility), Coffeewood Correctional Center, Dillwyn Correctional Center, Fluvanna Correctional Center (female facility), Halifax Correctional Unit, Lunenburg Correctional Center, Nottoway Correctional Center, Nottoway Work Center, Rustburg Correctional Unit, State Farm Correctional Center, State Farm Work Center, Virginia Correctional Center for Women (female facility).

Eastern Region: Brunswick Community Corrections Alternative Program, Caroline Correctional Unit, Deerfield Correctional Center, Deerfield Work Center #1, Deerfield Work Center #2, Haynesville Correctional Center, Greensville Correctional Center, Indian Creek Correctional Center, Lawrenceville Correctional Center, St. Brides Correctional Center, Sussex I State Prison.

Western Region: Appalachian Community Corrections Alternative Program, Bland Correctional Center, Cold Springs Community Corrections Alternative Program, Cold Springs Correctional Unit, Green Rock Correctional Center, Harrisonburg Community Corrections Alternative Program, Keen Mountain Correctional Center, Marion Correctional Treatment Center, Patrick Henry Correctional Unit, Pocahontas State Correctional Center, Red Onion State Prison, River North Correctional Center, Wallens Ridge State Prison, Wise Correctional Unit.

VI. Allegation Data (Please Note: Allegations reported in 2025 that are still active investigations are not included in the below numbers.)

**Inmate-on-Inmate, Probationer/Parolee-on-Probationer/Parolee
Non-Consensual Acts**

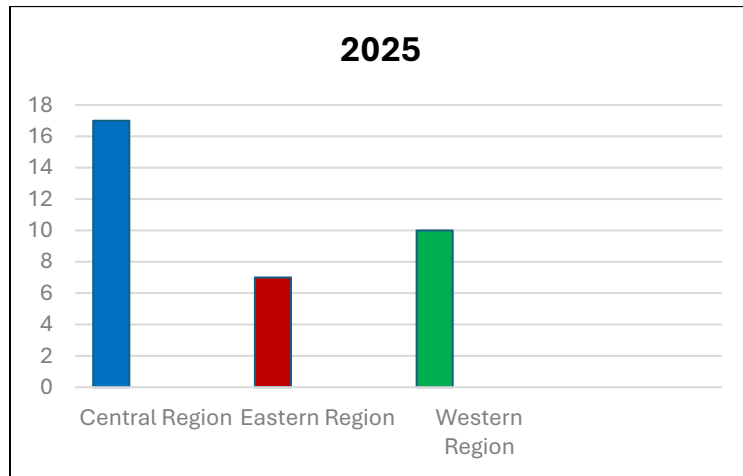


Central Region 2, Eastern Region 1, Western Region 14

Comparison Years 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025

<i>Finding:</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>
Unfounded	8	3	13	6
Unsubstantiated	14	11	16	7
Substantiated	0	0	1	2
Non-PREA	2	0	0	2
<i>Total</i>	24	14	30	17

**Inmate-on-Inmate, Probationer/Parolee-on-Probationer/Parolee
Abusive Sexual Acts**

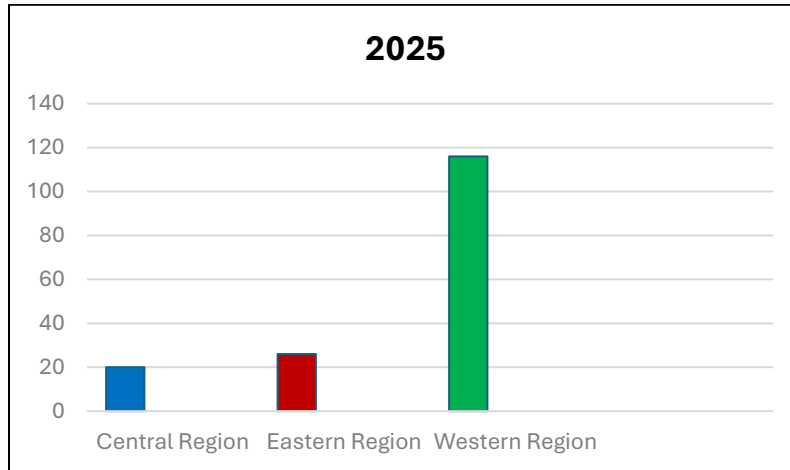


Central Region 17, Eastern Region 7, Western Region 10

Comparison Years 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025

<i>Finding:</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>
Unfounded	6	3	14	7
Unsubstantiated	24	30	29	24
Substantiated	2	4	1	2
Non-PREA	2	5	0	1
<i>Total</i>	34	42	44	34

**Inmate-on-Inmate, Probationer/Parolee-on-Probationer/Parolee
Sexual Harassment**

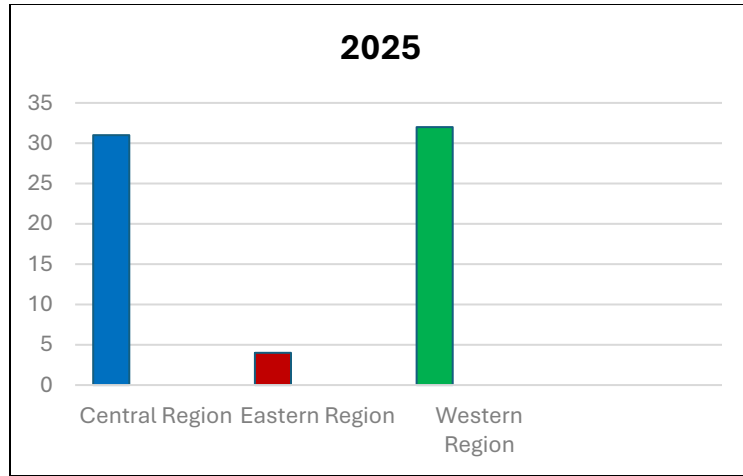


Central Region 20, Eastern Region 26, Western Region 116

Comparison Years 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025

<i>Finding:</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>
Unfounded	46	75	34	43
Unsubstantiated	146	211	146	96
Substantiated	7	7	4	1
Non-PREA	13	20	16	22
<i>Total</i>	212	313	200	162

Staff Sexual Misconduct

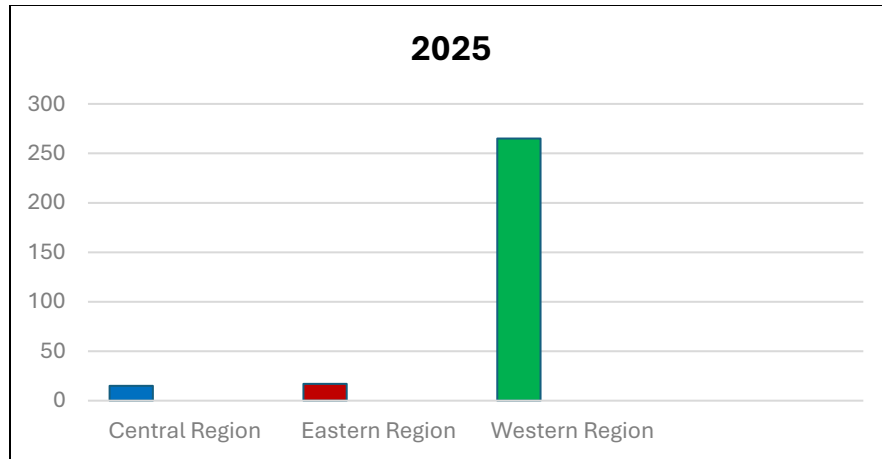


Central Region 31, Eastern Region 4, Western Region 32

Comparison Years 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025

<i>Finding:</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>
Unfounded	31	29	30	25
Unsubstantiated	10	23	26	13
Substantiated	3	20	11	7
Non-PREA	3	3	6	22
<i>Total</i>	47	79	73	67

Staff Sexual Harassment



Central Region 15, Eastern Region 17, Western Region 265

Comparison Years 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025

<i>Finding:</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>
Unfounded	236	326	182	204
Unsubstantiated	176	200	110	68
Substantiated	6	2	2	4
Non-PREA	51	39	24	21
<i>Total</i>	469	567	318	297

VII. Hotline Call Data. The Sexual Abuse Hotline is a toll-free number that allows inmates and CCAP probationers/parolees to report sexual abuse or sexual misconduct through the telephone system. All calls received through the Sexual Abuse Hotline—regardless of whether they are PREA-related—are processed by the Hotline Coordinator.

2025 Hotline Calls – Central Region

<i>Facility</i>	<i>PREA</i>	<i>Non-PREA</i>	<i>Total</i>
Baskerville Correctional Center	0	0	0
Beaumont Correctional Center	0	4	4
Buckingham Correctional Center	19	26	45
Central VA Correctional Unit	0	0	0
Chesterfield CCAP	0	0	0
Coffeewood Correctional Center	12	32	44
Dillwyn Correctional Center	1	13	14
Fluvanna Correctional Center	60	82	142
Halifax Correctional Unit	0	0	0
Lunenburg Correctional Center	19	22	41
Nottoway Correctional Center	25	33	58
Nottoway Work Center	1	3	4
Rustburg Correctional Unit	0	1	1
State Farm Correctional Center	17	7	24
State Farm Work Center	1	0	1
Virginia Correctional Center Women	7	7	14

Central Region Recap:

PREA:	162
Non-PREA:	<u>230</u>
Total:	392

Top 3 Central Region Facilities with the Most Hotline Calls:

- Fluvanna Correctional Center = 142
- Nottoway Correctional Center = 58
- Buckingham Correctional Center = 45

2025 Hotline Calls – Eastern Region

<i>Facility</i>	<i>PREA</i>	<i>Non-PREA</i>	<i>Total</i>
Brunswick CCAP	3	0	3
Caroline Correctional Unit	0	2	2
Deerfield Correctional Center	13	14	27
Deerfield Work Center 1	9	0	9
Deerfield Work Center 2	3	5	8
Haynesville Correctional Center	11	12	23
Greensville Correctional Center	80	144	224
Indian Creek Correctional Center	18	26	44
Lawrenceville Correctional Center	5	8	13
St. Brides Correctional Center	17	20	37
Sussex I State Prison	68	99	167

Eastern Region Recap:

PREA: 227
Non-PREA: 330
Total: 557

Top 3 Eastern Region Facilities with the Most Hotline Calls:

- Greensville Correctional Center = 224
 - Sussex I State Prison = 167
- Indian Creek Correctional Center = 44

2025 Hotline Calls – Western Region

<i>Facility</i>	<i>PREA</i>	<i>Non-PREA</i>	<i>Total</i>
Appalachian CCAP	0	0	0
Bland Correctional Center	5	6	11
Cold Springs CCAP	2	1	3
Cold Springs Correctional Unit	0	0	0
Green Rock Correctional Center	44	61	105
Harrisonburg CCAP	1	0	1
Keen Mountain Correctional Center	73	111	184
Marion Correctional Treatment Center	4	15	19
Patrick Henry Correctional Unit	0	1	1
Pocahontas State Correctional Center	34	29	63
Red Onion State Prison	200	153	353
River North Correctional Center	67	51	118
Wallens Ridge State Prison	48	96	144
Wise Correctional Unit	0	0	0

Western Region Recap:

PREA:	478
Non-PREA:	524
Total:	1002

Top 3 Western Region Facilities with the Most Hotline Calls:

- Red Onion State Prison = 353
- Keen Mountain Correctional Center = 184
- Wallens Ridge State Prison = 144

VIII. Enhancements, Accomplishments, Corrective Actions

Central Region	
Facility	Enhancements, Accomplishments, Corrective Actions
Baskerville CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional cameras installed to enhance visibility and security in key operational areas. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Beaumont CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-established four non-functional cameras, restoring full surveillance coverage in affected zones. • Notable staff shortages experienced, primarily driven by emergency medical transports, requiring extended off-site supervision. • Mitigated shortages through temporary staffing support from surrounding regional facilities to maintain adequate post coverage. • Successfully completed PREA Audit in 2025. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Buckingham CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional cameras installed to reduce blind spots. • Roving officers assisted during staff shortage. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Central Virginia CU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refresher PREA training provided in briefings. • To ensure adequate staffing, assistance received from non-security staff and also from regional facilities. • Successfully completed PREA Audit in 2025. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Chesterfield CCAP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased staggering of rounds to improve visibility and deterrence. • To ensure adequate staffing, assistance received from non-security staff. • Two substantiated PREA allegations involving the same probationer as the perpetrator, resulted in the probationer’s removal from the program.
Coffeewood CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed installation of 69 new cameras in high operational areas to include the Commissary, VCE, Pill Window, and Tower 3. • Lighting enhanced in DOE Welding Classroom. • Food Service storage areas redesigned to eliminate blind spots. • Assistance provided from regional institutional staff to ensure adequate coverage. • No substantiated PREA allegations.

Central Region	
Facility	Enhancements, Accomplishments, Corrective Actions
Dillwyn CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installed 35 additional cameras in several areas, including the expanded recreational yard. • Inmate accessible standard light switches replaced with secure, tamper-resistant security switches to eliminate intentional darkening of areas. • To ensure adequate staffing, assistance received from non-security staff. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Fluvanna CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Camera infrastructure expanded. • Body Worn Cameras issued to supervisors. • To ensure adequate staffing, assistance received from non-security staff. • One substantiated PREA allegation resulted in staff resignation.
Halifax CU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installed 3 new cameras to eliminate blind spots. • PREA refresher training provided to staff. • Adjusted staffing deployment through the drafting process to ensure adequate coverage. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Lunenburg CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Nottoway CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducted weekly compliance monitoring with supervisory corrective measures for deviations. • PREA investigation refresher training provided to supervisory and investigative personnel. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Nottoway WC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Rustburg CU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhanced gate-monitoring protocols targeting inmate movement. • Camera monitoring increased. • Boundary Awareness brochures distributed to staff. • One substantiated fraternization allegation resulted in staff's termination and reporting to the Department of Health Professional Services.
State Farm CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Camera network expanded from 232 to 374 cameras. • Installed 12 mirrors in RHU. • RHU cell door windows enlarged to improve staff's visibility during rounds. • One substantiated sexual misconduct allegation resulted in the staff's resignation.
State Farm WC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patrol frequency increased in all operational areas. • One substantiated inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse resulted in preparator's job removal. • One staff resigned in lieu of termination following inappropriate and degrading conduct.

Central Region	
Facility	Enhancements, Accomplishments, Corrective Actions
Virginia CCW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisor presence increased in housing units to enhance oversight and accountability. • PREA refresher training provided in muster with emphasis on documentation. • No substantiated PREA allegations.

Eastern Region	
Facility	Enhancements, Accomplishments, Corrective Actions
Brunswick CCAP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cameras installed in the Counselor's offices. • Mirrors added in basement and kitchen supply rooms to alleviate blind spots. • Shower partitions added for privacy. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Caroline CU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Deerfield CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One substantiated sexual harassment case resulted in staff's resignation during the investigation. • One allegation of an inmate touching the buttocks of another inmate during horseplay was substantiated. The inmate perpetrator received refresher PREA training.
Deerfield WC1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successfully completed PREA Audit in 2025. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Deerfield WC2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Greenville CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installed 36 additional cameras in Housing Unit 11. • PREA refresher training provided. • Assistance provided by 40 roving staff for rounds and visibility of the inmate population. • One substantiated sexual misconduct resulted in the staff's termination.
Haynesville CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installed 17 new cameras in housing units and maintenance department. • Classification Assessment refresher training provided to Counselors. • Plans implemented for Department Heads to address fraternization quarterly during staff meetings. • Successfully completed PREA Audit in 2025. • One substantiated case of sexual harassment resulted in the move of the inmate perpetrator to a different housing unit.
Indian Creek CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mirrors added in Housing Units 2 and 3 to alleviate blind spots. • Refresher training provided. • Non-security staff trained to assist with some security staff duties. • One substantiated sexual harassment allegation resulted in staff refresher training and appropriate disciplinary action taken.

Eastern Region	
Facility	Enhancements, Accomplishments, Corrective Actions
Lawrenceville CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During renovation of Housing Units 30, 40 and 50, 150 cameras were installed, with 65 currently operational. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
St. Brides CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barrier added to the shower area in the dormitories to provide appropriate privacy. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Sussex I SP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To ensure adequate staffing, assistance received from non-security and roving staff. • One substantiated sexual harassment allegation resulted in refresher training with staff.

Western Region	
Facility	Enhancements, Accomplishments, Corrective Actions
Appalachian CCAP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installed 2 additional cameras, one in the kitchen and one in medical entrance. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Bland CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installed 10 cameras throughout the facility, increasing the total number of cameras to 197. • Implemented upgrade of the current Maxpro camera system. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Cold Springs CCAP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One substantiated probationer-on-probationer sexual harassment allegation resulted in the transfer of the perpetrator to another CCAP facility. PREA Refresher training also provided to all probationers.
Cold Springs CU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Body Worn Cameras issued to designated staff. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Green Rock CU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One substantiated sexual misconduct involving a medical staff resulted in the staff's resignation and reporting to the Department of Health Professional Services. An additional camera recommended in medical is pending budget allocation.
Harrisonburg CCAP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successfully completed PREA Audit in 2025. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Keen Mountain CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Marion CTC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently undergoing major renovations, to include new camera system. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Patrick Henry CU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installed 1 camera in a secluded area where staff are posted. • Body Worn Cameras issued to designated staff. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Pocahontas SCC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One substantiated sexual misconduct resulted in termination of the security staff member.

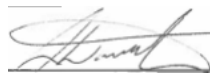
Western Region	
Facility	Enhancements, Accomplishments, Corrective Actions
Red Onion SP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installed 13 cameras to enhance monitoring of designated areas. • Ongoing PREA refresher training provided to staff to increase awareness and prevention of potential inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment or sexual abuse. • One substantiated inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment resulted in “keep separate” documentation and enforcement of restrictions in unauthorized areas.
River North CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installed 74 additional cameras throughout the facility. • Enhanced privacy measures implemented for the inmate restroom in kitchen area. • Pixelation added to security cameras in A-2 and SCORE unit camera cells. • Successfully completed PREA Audit in 2025. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Wallens Ridge SP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successfully completed PREA Audit in 2025. • No substantiated PREA allegations.
Wise CU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Body Worn Cameras issued to designated staff. • No substantiated PREA allegations.

IX. Summary and Approvals

Summary:

- **A total of 577 allegations were reported and investigated during 2025, which compared to 665 in 2024, 1015 in 2023, and 786 in 2022. (Allegations reported in 2025 that are still active investigations are not included in the 2025 numbers.)**
- **A total of 8 facilities successfully completed PREA Audits during the calendar year 2025, with all facilities found to be 100% fully compliant.**

2025 PREA Annual Report Approvals:



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