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# **Teaching Family Homes-Lakes Area Annual PREA Report 2023**

Lakes Area Teaching Family Homes contracts with the State of Michigan to provide juvenile justice residential services and is, therefore, required to adopt and comply with all standards of the federal Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA).

Lakes Area Teaching Family Homes PREA Policy states that all agency personnel have zero tolerance for sexual abuse and sexual harassment of residents. Facilities must have preventive plans in place, and, should allegations regarding sexual abuse or sexual harassment be made, all personnel must be appropriately and adequately trained to take action to rapidly restore safety, attend to and support the victim, and promptly initiate the investigative process. Audits are required to ensure compliance with PREA standards.

#### **Reporting Sexual Abuse or Harassment**

Lakes Area Teaching Family Homes policy requires that all residential facilities provide youth with multiple ways to report sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including suspected sexual abuse, and youth must be given an orientation on the multiple reporting options available to them. Facilities must ensure that youth who report sexual abuse or sexual harassment and supporting witnesses are protected from retaliation. Facilities must inform youth that they will be protected from retaliation. Reporting options include:

- · Verbally or in writing to any staff, counselor, or administrator
- In writing through the youth and family grievance process
- Verbally or in writing to an advocate or parent
- Externally by telephoning Children's Protective Services at 855-444-3911
- Any member of the public that suspects sexual abuse or sexual harassment is occurring or has occurred at the facility may also report by calling Children's Protective Services

### **2023 Aggregate Sexual Abuse Data**

Data listed below is for juvenile justice program residents housed at Lakes Area Teaching Family Homes during the calendar year 2023.

### <u>Demographic Data</u>

Number of youths held in Lakes Area Teaching Family Homes on December 21, 2023:

Male

6

Female

0

Total

6







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## Age of the youths:

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Ages 18-20:

0

6

• Age 21 or older:

0

Total:

6

## Reporting and Allegation Statistics during the calendar year 2023:

In 2023, the following statistics were reported by Lakes Area Teaching Family Homes:

- Lakes Area Teaching Family Homes are required to keep a record of all allegations of youth-on-youth and staffon-youth nonconsensual sexual acts, contact, or harassment, whether the allegation was substantiated or no.
- In 2022, there were zero (0) substantiated youth-on-youth non-consensual sexual acts and zero (0) staff-on-youth sexual acts, contact, or harassment, either substantiated or unsubstantiated.

Incident Type	Number of Allegations	
Resident-on-Resident Non-Consensual Acts	0	
Resident-on-Resident Abusive Sexual Contact	0	
Resident-on-Resident Sexual Harassment	0	
Staff Sexual Misconduct	0	
Staff Sexual Harassment	0	

**Report Approval** 

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Date

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