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## **01.00.00. POLICY OF THE DEPARTMENT**

It is the policy of the Board of Correction that the Department of Correction establish a zero-tolerance standard regarding the incidence of prison rape. The Department of Correction shall develop and maintain policies and practices to detect, report, reduce, prevent, and punish rape and sexual activity among its offender population.

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## **03.00.00. REFERENCES**

Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003, 42 U.S.C. Sec. 15601, et seq.

## **04.00.00. DEFINITIONS**

Board. The state Board of Correction.

Department. The state Department of Correction.

Director. The director of the Department of Correction.

Inmate. An individual in the physical custody of the Board. (See also Offender.)

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Offender. A person under the legal care, custody, supervision or authority of the Board including a person within or without the state pursuant to agreement with another state or a contractor. (See also Inmate.)

#### **05.00.00. SCOPE**

With this policy the Department of Correction is establishing practices that will attempt to abate the incidence of prison rape and sexual activity. These practices shall include prevention and victim education, as well as detection and reporting methods.

#### **06.00.00. RESPONSIBILITY**

The Director is the chief administrative officer for the Board of Correction. The Director may, at his discretion, designate and assign an administrator to oversee the development of department standards for the reduction of prison rape and sexual activity. The Director has designated the responsibility for the development of these standards to the Administrator of Operations Division.

#### **07.00.00. PROCEDURE**

##### **07.01.00. Written Standards**

The development of written standards regarding the reduction of prison rape and sexual activity shall be a collective effort of identified stakeholders. These standards shall facilitate and support the goals and objectives of the Department and the requirements established by the federal government.

The process of developing standards shall include the following:

Educational programs and materials designed to prevent prison rape and sexual activity shall be provided to offenders, and staff and offenders shall receive information regarding provision of services to identified victims;

Increased monitoring efforts to help protect at-risk offenders;

A means for exiting offenders to provide comments and feedback to the Department of Correction regarding the issues surrounding prison rape and sexual activity;

Reporting processes summarizing the collected data (comments and feedback), and a process for providing the results of this data collection to identified stakeholders, with the goal of improving prison culture;

Increased prosecution of perpetrators to include administrative action; and

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Assisting the efforts of local, state, and federal interests in the development of national standards to reduce the incidence of prison rape and sexual activity.

**07.02.00. Development And Implementation Of Appropriate Division Directives**

Affected divisions of the Department of Correction shall formulate directives as necessary to implement the processes outlined in this policy.

The administration of these processes at Department of Correction facilities is the responsibility of the facility heads.

**08.00.00. FLOWCHART**

Not applicable to this policy.

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Director, Department of Correction

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