

**THE PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION ACT |
PURPOSE AND GOALS**



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Objectives

- Explain the purpose of the Prison Rape Elimination Act.
- Identify key concepts associated with PREA, including policies related to sexual abuse in the workplace.
- Determine the role of juvenile justice professionals in reference to PREA standards.

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What is PREA?



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Know the Facts



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Impact of Sexual Misconduct



- Stress | Trauma
- Diminished public | legislative support
- Liability
- Hostile work environment
- Mistrust
- Violation of the law | lawsuits

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What's the Meaning?



- Sexual Harassment
- Boundary Violations
- Staff Sexual Abuse | Juvenile
- Staff | Juvenile Sexual Harassment
- Juvenile Nonconsensual Sexual Acts
- Abusive Sexual Contact | Juveniles
- Vicarious Liability
- Cross-Gender Pat Down Searches

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What's the Meaning?



ZERO TOLERANCE

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Fostering a Sexually Safe Culture



- Safety | Security
- Classification assessments
- Investigations
- Programming
- Cross-gender supervision
- First responder training

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Your Role



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Your Role

- Zero tolerance policy.
- Communication.
- No judgment.
- Note vulnerabilities.
- Accountability.
- Cooperate with investigations.
- Correct inappropriate language.
- Avoid inappropriate discussions.
- Avoid discussing private lives.
- Professionalism.

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Red Flags



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Red Flags



- Favoritism
- Sharing Food
- Horse Play with Juveniles
- Sexual Conversations
- Favors
- Physical Contact
- At Work at Unscheduled Times
- Time in Isolated Areas
- Small Trinkets

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Reporting



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abuseneglect@tjjd.texas.gov



1.800.252.5400
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txabusehotline.org

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Final Thoughts

- PREA advocates a **ZERO** tolerance against any form of sexual abuse or harassment.
- Be aware of your local polices, procedures, and your responsibilities.
- Remain professional with everyone at all times.



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