Peer I PREA ALLEGATION SUMMARY REPORT 2019

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YEAR 2019

Total Number of Allegations: 3

Number of Substantiated Allegations: 0 Number of Unsubstantiated Allegations: 3 Number of Unfounded Allegations: 0

Allegations Breakdown: By Facility

Motivation House: 1 Dedication House: 2

Identified Vulnerabilities: None

Corrective Action: None

Year Nine Assessment

During 2019, PREA continued as an ongoing topic for in-services for staff and meetings with clients. There were trainings for staff and also for clients to educate regarding PREA guidelines, investigating and reporting, and LGBTQ issues.

In 2019, phones with pre-set, direct number to DOC's tip line were installed in each residential unit so clients could make, private, anonymous reports. This was in response to the full PREA audit conducted by auditor K. Juranek in 2018.

Three incidents were reported in 2019. Each incident was investigated; all were found to be unsubstantiated. Two of these reports did constitute the Interim PREA Coordinator to make a report to the Denver Police Sex Crimes Unit and required several addendums to the report until finalized and determined unsubstantiated. In each case, all of the rights and privileges of the clients involved were monitored and protected. No further action was required.

PREA-related in-services for staff in 2019 included trainings of Professional Boundaries and Prevention and Detection of Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment. Additionally there were ten new staff members who received an individual 1-hour PREA training session with the PREA Coordinator/Interim PREA Coordinator at time of hire.

Peer I's Interim PREA Coordinator attended a PREA 8 hour training for Community Corrections by David P. Walts on 5/31/2019 (hosted by DCJ).

Memoranda of Understanding continues to be in effect with Denver Health and Hospital Authority until 2020. The Memoranda of Understanding with Blue Bench (providing confidential support and advocacy for victims of sexual assault) continues in effect until June of 2020. ARTS staff is working on new MOUs with both organizations to ensure continued relationship and no gaps.

A full copy of the audit report from 2018 is publically available at www.artstreatment.com.