

PREA

SASH (Sexual Assault/Sexual Harassment
Grievance

What happened?

Who was involved?

When did it happen:

Where did it happen:

(Submit in a sealed envelope and turn into Administration or place in the gray box in the Dayroom)

PLEASE NOTE: Upon completion of this form you do not have to turn it into the staff in which you are filing this grievance against.

Name: _____

Date: _____

**Eaton County Youth
Facility**

**WHAT YOU
SHOULD
KNOW
ABOUT
SEXUAL
ASSAULT/
ABUSE**

ECYF HAS
ZERO TOLERANCE
FOR SEXUAL
ASSAULT/ABUSE

What is Sexual Assault (rape)?

Sexual assault in a juvenile detention or treatment facility is when:

'A person engages in forced sexual intercourse or oral sexual contact with any person.' Sexual assault is a class 2 felony (homicide is a class 1 felony) and the person convicted shall be sentenced pursuant to this section and the person is not eligible for suspension of sentence, probation, pardon or release from confinement.

WHAT THIS MEANS: sexual assault (rape) is when a person has sex or oral sex with another person without their approval (forced sex).

What is Sexual Abuse

Sexual abuse in a juvenile detention or treatment facility is when 'A person commits sexual abuse by engaging in sexual contact.'

Sexual contact means any direct or indirect (on top of or inside clothes), touching, fondling, or manipulating of any part of the genitals, anus or female breast by any part of the body or by any object or causing a person to engage in such conduct.

WHAT THIS MEANS: sexual abuse is when a person has any form of sexual contact with another person without their approval. 'Sexual contact means any touching, fondling (stroking) or manipulating any part of the genitals, anus or females breast by any part of the body or by any object (on top of or inside the clothes).

Be aware of situations that make you feel uncomfortable. Trust your instincts. If it feels wrong, TELL A FRIEND, TELL A STAFF, TELL SOMEBODY YOU TRUST.

Don't be afraid to say "NO" or "STOP IT NOW."

The only way sexual assault/abuse can be prevented is when a suspect chooses NOT to sexually assault/abuse. However, you may avoid an attack by keeping the following safety guidelines

Walk and stand with confidence. Many suspects choose victims who look like they won't fight back or appear emotionally weak.

Avoid talking about sex or being partly dressed. These things may be considered a come on, or make another youth believe that you have an interest in a sexual relationship.

Do not accept store items or other gifts from other youth. Placing yourself in debt to another youth can lead to the belief of repaying the debt with sexual favors.

Avoid secluded areas. Always stay in plain view of staff members. If you are being pressured for sex, report it immediately to a staff person.

Remember to be responsible, respectful, and have positive communication.

If you have been assaulted or witness an assault, but are unwilling to report it to your unit staff, then you may fill out a SASH grievance form, request to see a Shift Supervisor or the facility Therapists. Or you can call (toll free):

Sexual Assault Services of Calhoun County:

(888)383- 2192

or

**Michigan State University
Sexual Assault Hotline**

(517) 372-6666

What do you do if you are sexually assaulted / abused?

Although a suspect may threaten to harm you and you may be scared, **REPORT SEXUAL ASSAULT / ABUSE TO A STAFF MEMBER IMMEDIATELY.**

The longer you wait to report the sexual assault/abuse the more power you give the suspect. All reports will be fully investigated by the Charlotte Police Department .

Request to see a Doctor for immediate medical attention. You may have serious injuries that you are not aware of, and any sexual contact can expose you to sexually transmitted diseases.

Do **NOT** do the following:

Do not shower

Do not brush your teeth

Do not use the restroom

Do not change your clothes

You may destroy important evidence.

Did you know...

Sexual assault/abuse happens to people of all ages, ethnic groups, social or economic status, sexual orientation or disability.

Sexual assault/abuse can happen to males and females

Sexual assault/abuse is about power and violence. It is not about love.

Sexual assault/abuse affects everyone either directly or through the experiences of those we care about.

The fact that a victim of sexual assault/abuse becomes sexually excited does not mean they are not assaulted / abused or that they gave approval. These are normal involuntary reactions.

It is common for survivors of sexual assault/abuse to have feelings of embarrassment, anger, guilt, panic, depression and fear even several months after an attack.

The offender uses sex as a weapon to assault the body, the mind and the spirit.

Any sexual contact between staff and a youth is against the law.

Remember:

Tell a staff,

Tell a friend,

Tell somebody!

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