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Harris County Sheriff's Office Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 Contractor and Volunteer Acknowledgement Form

Date:_____

Details

It is the policy of the **Harris County Sheriff's Office** to respond to, and administratively and/or criminally investigate all alleged incidents of a sexual nature. The **HCSO** has zero tolerance for all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment within its facilities.

All persons having access and possible contact with inmates in the Harris County Jail system are required to understand and acknowledge their responsibility to immediately report any knowledge, suspicion, or information they receive regarding an incident of sexual abuse, sexual assault or sexual harassment that has occurred within the **Harris County Sheriff's Office** Facilities. This includes incidents of sexual abuse, sexual assault, or, sexual harassment of an inmate by another inmate; and sexual abuse, sexual assault, or harassment of an inmate by another or contractor.

Allegations of a sexual nature shall be shared only with those who need to know in order to provide treatment, investigate, and make security and management decisions.

A volunteer or contractor may report an incident of sexual abuse to any **HCSO** employee.

All Contractors/Volunteers shall complete PREA training within 14 Days of their first working assignment.

Acknowledgment of Receipt

Your signature confirms you understand the information on this acknowledgement form. Further, you agree that ignorance of the policies of the **Harris County Sheriff's Office** is not a defense for violating such policies, including specifically HCSO policies 413 "LGBTI", D-115 "Staff Sexual Misconduct" and CJC-116 "PREA" (PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION ACT).

Name (Please Print)_____

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