

Section: 11 PREA: Sexual Abuse/Sexual Harassment

Subject: 11.1 Referral of Allegations for Criminal Prosecution

Effective Date: November 1, 2016

POLICY:

VOANNE shall refer allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment for criminal investigation and possible prosecution as soon as possible after learning of the allegation and after determining that the allegation involves a PREA incident that may be in violation of state or federal laws. VOANNE shall pursue disciplinary action against all perpetrators, and shall assist in the prosecution of those who perpetrate criminal acts.

PROCEDURES:

1. The Bangor Police Department shall be responsible for conducting investigations involving PREA violations that are of a criminal nature that involve violations of state and local laws.
2. The Bureau of Prisons and/or the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in addition to investigations by the NMRRC and the Bangor Police Department, may investigate an incident or allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment, and conduct criminal investigations that violate federal law.
3. All allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment that are referred for criminal investigation shall be appropriately documented.
4. Staff shall refer for criminal prosecution any allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment that may be in violation of state laws to the Bangor Police Department as soon as possible after learning of such allegations.
5. Staff shall contact the Bureau of Prisons as soon as possible upon learning of an allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment that may violate federal or state law.