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Thank you for joining us!

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To advise all Sheriffs, Jail Administrators about recent changes to the Florida Model Jail Standard Committee(s)

Provide updates from each subcommittee, their goals and objectives, and to seek input from the field.
In the State of Florida there are model minimum Jail Standards call the Florida Model Jail Standards (FMJS), and since its inception in 1996 by legislative decree there has been a Florida Model Jail Standards Committee; consisting of three Sheriff’s –chosen by the President of the Florida Sheriff’s Association, with one Sheriff acting as committee chair – and two County Officials, to serve as committee members – chosen by the Florida Association of Counties.

Adherence to Annual Florida Model Jail Standards - Jail, Medical and Youth Detention Facility (if applicable) - inspections are paramount to FMJS success. Within the FMJS Committee structure there are five FMJS Subcommittees; Standards Review, Training, Medical, Compliance, and PREA.
Information on Presenters

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  Liaison to FMJS Committee

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  Chair “Training” Subcommittee  

• Kristine Dekany  
  Medical Director  
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  Chair, “Medical Revision” Subcommittee
- Captain Beth Richard  
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  Chair “Compliance Subcommittee”

- Bernard Johns  
  Manager  
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  Chair, “Prison Rape Elimination Act” Subcommittee
Target Audience

- All FMJS Jail and Medical Inspectors (active and retired).
- Jail Administrators
- Jail Fire Safety Inspectors
- Corrections Staff
- Etc.
Florida Model Jail Standards Subcommittees

- Standards Review
- Training
- Medical Revision
- Compliance
- Prison Rape Elimination Act
Changes to the Florida Model Jail Standards Committee

- Sheriff Ed Dean, Marion County Sheriff’s Office Florida Chair FMJS Committee (Retires)

- Sheriff Bob Peryam, Monroe County Sheriff’s Office Member, FMJS Committee (Retires)

- Mr. Peter Corwin, Member, Broward County Commissioner, Member, FMJS Committee (Retires)

- Mr. Sam Johnson, Commissioner, Polk County Member, FMJS Committee (Term Limits)
Changes to the Florida Model Jail Standards Subcommittee

- Lieutenant Jeff Owens, Marion County Sheriff’s Office Chair, Standards Review Subcommittee (Stepped Down)

- Commander Kevin McGowan, Collier County Sheriff’s Office, Chair Compliance Subcommittee (Stepped Down)
New Florida Model Jail Standards Committee

- Sheriff John Rutherford, Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office
  Chair FMJS Committee
- Sheriff Mark Hunter, Columbia County Sheriff’s Office
  FMJS Committee Member
- Sheriff Gary Borders, Lake County Sheriff’s Office
  FMJS Committee Member
- Mr. Joshua Wagner, Volusia County Council
  FMJS Committee Member
- Sally Heyman, Commissioner, Miami-Dade BOCC
  FMJS Committee Member
New Chairs Florida Model Jail Standards Subcommittee

- Sergeant David Harvey, Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office Chair, FMJS Standards Review Subcommittee

- Captain Beth Richards, Collier County Sheriff’s Office Chair, FMJS Compliance Subcommittee

- Mr. Bernard John’s, Seminole County Sheriff’s Office Chair, FMJS PREA Subcommittee
Standards Review Subcommittee

- Chair, Sergeant David Harvey (Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office)

- Standards Review Subcommittee – The current mission of the Standards Sub-committee is to maintain a professional manual consistent with the latest "best practices" in the corrections industry for adult and youth detention facilities.
Standards Review Update(s)/Goals & Objectives

1. Review Standards for revisions/updates and make recommendations to the FMJSC.
2. Present updates to FMJSC.
3. Conduct Subcommittee meeting prior to FMJSC meeting.
4. Hold Special Meeting as directed by the FMJSC Chair, as needed.
5. Continue to research and network throughout the United States with other county jails when possible to ensure FMJSC is provided the best correctional practices are adopted into standards.
Medical Revision Subcommittee

- Chair, Kristine Dekany (Hernando County Sheriff’s Office)

- **Medical Revision Subcommittee** – The mission of the Florida Model Jail Standards Medical Subcommittee is to foster the effectiveness of the medical care and health of those individuals incarcerated in county detention facilities through oversight and development of the medical and pharmaceutical standards incorporated in the Florida Model jail Standards ensuring these standards and suggested revisions meet current accepted standards of medical care.
1. All members committed to “active participation.” Would like to see mandatory participation requirements set such as must attend one FMJS meeting per year or similar.

2. Medical subcommittee chair essentially covers 4 subcommittees - all medical standards revisions come to medical subcommittee chair, compliance issues related to medical inspections all come to medical chair, and training related to medical inspectors falls on Medical chair besides chairing medical subcommittee. Would like to see training for medical fall more under training subcommittee with a medical training representative on the training subcommittee as opposed to combining with the medical subcommittee chair.
Medical Revision Update(s)/Goals & Objectives

3. Currently North of state is covered for Medical training by Donna DiPesa (Retired), central by Kristine DeKany (Hernando). Annie Juhasz has expressed willingness to cover south part of state (Palm Beach County) but has to be trained in teaching class- last class was to be held there and was cancelled due to lack of registration.

4. Would like to see term limits instilled for subcommittee chairs- currently there are none and this posed to be problematic for Medical subcommittee in past.
Medical Revision Update(s)/Goals & Objectives

5. Would like to see FMJS inspection log available online showing when jail/medical inspections were completed and what inspectors completed them - would be beneficial to track for training and may help with compliance if it is listed online.
Training Subcommittee

- Chair, Lieutenant Joseph Gaudette (Charlotte County Sheriff’s Office)

- Training Subcommittee – the mission of the Training Subcommittee is to establish a training curriculum for upcoming Florida Model Jail Standards Jail & Medical Certification Classes. In addition, that mission includes the Training Subcommittee Members as instructors, trainers and evaluators the Jail and Medical Certification Classes. By providing effective training, and evaluating the ongoing program from improvement the Training Subcommittee ensure that this program sponsored by the Florida Sheriff’s Association is providing this training well within allowable standards.
Training Update(s)/Goals & Objectives

1. Next FMJS Jail/Medical Certification Class April 1-4, 2013 in Lake County, co-sponsored by the Lake County Sheriff’s Office.

2. Annual review of training material.

3. 40 New Jail Inspectors completed training on April 27, 2012

4. As of October 10, 2012, there have been 10 Online recertification’s for jail inspectors.

5. Continuous Site selection(s) for upcoming classes regionally throughout the state.
Compliance Subcommittee

- Chair, Captain Beth Richards (Collier County)

- Compliance Review Subcommittee – Accuracy and objectivity throughout the inspection process conducts reasonable reviews of facility inspection results; remaining unbiased when reviewing facility grievances; and to present clear concise opinion to the full Florida Model Jail Standards Committee when hearing facility inspection appeals.
Compliance Update(s)/Goals & Objectives

1. Set up a communication process with the subcommittee.
   a. Identify a conference call number to be used for meetings
   b. Meet on a quarterly basis’s to review FMJS reports completed during that period.
   c. Pre plan dates and times of those meetings.

2. Develop a checklist for all reports reviewed by the subcommittee.
Compliance Update(s)/Goals & Objectives

3. Provide recommendations to the Training Subcommittee for training considerations.

4. Review grievances and devise an unbiased recommendation mechanism for the FMJS Committee.

5. Work with all other FMJS Subcommittee.
Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA)

- Manager Bernard Johns (Seminole County Sheriff’s Office, Youth Detention Center)

- PREA – The goal of this FMJS Committee is to review for adoption a set of “minimum model jails standards” for the prevention, detection, and response to prison rape, as required by the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 (PREA).
1. The Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 (PREA) is the first United States federal law passed dealing with the sexual assault of prisoners. The bill was signed into law on September 4, 2003.

Other Important PREA Dates:

c. August 20, 2012 – effective date.
d. August 20, 2013 – compliance deadline, first round of audits to commence.

e. State and local facilities to comply with the Department’s standards, nor, does it enact a mechanism for the Department to direct or enforce such compliance; Instead, the statute provides certain incentives for such confinement facilities to implement the standards.
PREA Update(s)/Goals & Objectives

2. All Adult Detention Facilities, Immigration Detention Centers, Police Lockups (if kept over 24 Hours), and Juvenile Detention Facilities (the definition of prison for the purposes of the act includes "any juvenile facility used for the custody or care of juvenile inmates").

3. Any correctional accreditation organization that seeks Federal “Grants” **must adopt accreditation standards regarding sexual abuse that are consistent with the national standards in this final rule. 42 U.S.C. 15608.**
4. The goal of this rulemaking is to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse in confinement facilities, pursuant to the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003.

5. The standards are to be immediately binding on the Federal Bureau of Prisons. 42 U.S.C. 15607(b). A State whose Governor does not certify full compliance with the standards is subject to the loss of five percent of any Department of Justice grant funds that it would otherwise receive for prison purposes, unless the Governor submits an assurance that such five percent will be used only for the purpose of enabling the State to achieve and certify full compliance with the standards in future years. 42 U.S.C. 15607(c).
PREA Update(s)/Goals & Objectives

- Transform the PREA final rule into actionable and measurable standards that do not require interpretation.

  • Current Standards are vague and require interpretation of intent. Feds did not give standards in an inspection type checklist that clearly delineates what an agency needs to do to meet the standards.

- Perform Cost analysis on each standard to try and determine actual budgetary impact.

  • Some of the standards are going to prove to be very expensive and will have a significant budgetary impact on agencies.
PREA Update(s)/Goals & Objectives

- Chose which standards to implement as minimum standards with emphasis being placed on minimizing budgetary impact when possible.

  - As FMJS participation is voluntary, requiring standards that severely impact an agency’s budget could cause agencies to abandon FMJS.
  - It is the Feds responsibility to monitor local agencies with Federal contracts that will mandate full compliance with PREA. FMJS is concerned with minimum standards.
PREA Update(s)/Goals & Objectives

- Coordinate with other FMJS Committees to determine the most efficient and effective way to integrate PREA standards into FMJS.
FMJS Chapter 2, 2.17

- FMJS 2.17 started as proposed FMJS Standard 2.16.
- It was proposed/introduced at the March 2005 meeting by Captain Barry Connor (Lee County Sheriff’s Office).
- The FMJS Committee voted to send this proposed standards to the Standards Review Subcommittee for additional work and review.
- The proposed FMJS 2.16 became the *new FMJS 2.17 and was ultimately passed by the FMJS Committee at the July 2005 meeting.
(2.17) The Officer-in-Charge shall establish a standard for the detection, prevention, reduction and punishment of sexual abuse of inmates, to address the safety and treatment needs of inmates who have been a victim of a sexual act, and to discipline and seeks to prosecute those who perpetrate these acts upon inmates.

The standard shall include the following:

- (a) **Staff Training** – required as part of the new employee orientation and annual refresher training.
All staff shall be trained to:

- (1) Recognize the physical, behavioral, and emotional signs of a victim of sexual abuse;

- (2) Understand the identification and referral process when an alleged abuse occurs; and

- (3) Have a basic understanding of sexual abuse prevention and response techniques.

(b) Inmate Education – required as part of inmate orientation.
All inmates will be provided the following information:

- (1) Methods inmates can use to protect themselves from becoming victims, while incarcerated;
- (2) Treatment options available to victims of sexual abuse, and
- (3) Methods of reporting incidents of sexual abuse,
- (4) A written copy of information summarizing this topic; i.e. pamphlet, inmate handbook, etc.
Liaison to Florida Model Jail Standards Committee

1. Subject Matter Expert and Technical Assistance Advisor to the FMJS Committee.

2. Technical Assistance Advisor to each subcommittee.

3. Schedule FMJS Jail and Medical Certification Classes

4. Monitor FMJS Jail and Medical Online Recertification.

5. Liaison between FSA and the FMJSC.
Liaison to Florida Model Jail Standards Committee

6. Forwards Inmate Correspondence relating to “jail matters” to the FMJSC Chair, Sheriff’s & Jail Administrators.
Additional Webinar Information – Dates to be remembered.

- **Next FMJS Committee meeting date:**
  March 1, 2013

- **Meeting time:**
  9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

- **New Meeting location**
  Keiser University
  6430 Southpoint Parkway
  Jacksonville, Florida 32216

- **Report to be sent as of January 1, 2013:**
  Sergeant David Harvey
  500 East Adams Street
  Jacksonville, Florida 32202
Additional Webinar Information – Dates to be remembered.

- **November 9, 2012**, 9 a.m., Jacksonville Police Memorial Building, - Sheriff Rutherford to meet with all Subcommittee Chairs to discuss “goals and objectives”.

- **FMJS Report** - **October 1, 2012 – December 31, 2012** will be sent to Lieutenant Jeff Owens and Lydia Hightower in Marion County.

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