

WHAT TO DO IF YOU'VE BEEN SEXUALLY ASSAULTED

1. Get to a safe place
2. Even if you want to clean up immediately, it is important to save the evidence
3. Don't use the bathroom, brush your teeth, shower, or change your clothes.
4. Report it, even if you don't have any evidence.
5. Tell any staff member. You may tell in person, send a kite, or drop a note under a staff member's door. It doesn't matter – just tell someone.
6. Call the PREA hotline at *7732 (*PREA) from any inmate phone. You do not have to enter your pin number.
7. Seek support from friends, family, mental health, medical, or counseling staff.

The Georgia Department of Corrections has zero tolerance for sexual assault and sexual harassment

The Georgia Department of Corrections has a zero tolerance policy toward the sexual abuse of offenders, and is committed to the prevention, detection, and punishment of sexual abuse.

REPORTING IS THE FIRST STEP!

County Prison Inmates Call:
1-888-992-7849

Probationers: Call 1-888-992-7849.

You may also report allegations to any staff member, or write to one of the following:

Statewide PREA Coordinator
300 Patrol Road
Forsyth, GA 31029

Ombudsman
P.O. Box 1529
Forsyth, GA 31029
(478-992-5358)

Director of Victims Services
2 MLK Jr. Dr., SE, Suite 458 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334



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Sexual Assault Sexual Harrassment Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA)



How to prevent it
How to report it

What will happen to me if I make allegations knowing them to be false?

Any person who files an allegation of sexual abuse knowing it to be false will be subject to serious disciplinary action. In applicable cases, the Department of Corrections will actively pursue criminal prosecution.

The Department of Corrections will seek termination and criminal prosecution of state employees, contractors, volunteers, visitors or offenders who engage in sexual abuse of offenders.

Examples of sexual assault:

Rape – forcible penetration

Someone forcing you to have sex with them or another person to repay a debt

Someone offering you protection in exchange for sex

A staff member offering you a privilege or a favor in exchange for sex

What is sexual assault?

Anytime another inmate touches the sexual parts of your body, forces you to touch the sexual parts of their body, has forcible sex with you against your will, or forces you to have sex with someone else against your will, it is against the law.

Anytime a staff member, contractor, or volunteer makes sexual advances or comments, sexually touches you, or has sex with you, it is against the law. Even if you wanted or invited it, the staff member is not allowed to respond. This does not include routine searches or specific medical procedures.

Anytime you sexually touch a staff member or force them to touch you, it is against the law.

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The department will not tolerate retaliation toward anyone who makes a sexual abuse allegation in good faith or who participates in an investigation and will punish anyone found to be participating in this behavior or act.

It is not your fault if you were sexually assaulted.

Sexual assault is not part of your sentence!

Avoid sexual abuse:

Carry yourself in a confident manner

Do not accept gifts or favors from others. Most gifts come with strings attached

Be alert and avoid drugs or alcohol. These weaken your ability to make good judgments

Stay in well-lit areas

Trust your instincts