MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) mandates standards for Juvenile Correctional Facilities that incorporates a zero-tolerance policy of sexual abuse/assault and makes prevention a top priority. Montgomery County Juvenile Court recognizes the need to provide residents with at least one (1) way for residents to report abuse or harassment to a public or private entity or office that is not part of the agency and that is able to receive and immediately forward resident reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to agency officials, allowing the resident to remain anonymous upon request.

To satisfy requirements set forth in the PREA Juvenile Facility Standards 115.321 (d), and 115.353 (a) & (c) and 115.351 (b), Montgomery County Prosecutor’s Office – Victim Witness Division agrees, in the event of an incident of sexual assault or sexual abuse, to provide residents of Detention Services, Center for Adolescent Services and Nicholas Residential Treatment Services with confidential services of resident reporting, emotional support, advocacy, information and resources related to sexual abuse and/or assault. These services may be obtained by residents by calling 24 hours a day (937) 225-5623.

Updates or modifications to this agreement shall only be necessary in the event of changes in administrative personnel of either facility or agency. This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) shall take effect immediately and remain in effect with the understanding that either party may terminate this MOU with 30 days advance notice.

Eric J. Shafer, Court Administrator

Date

Montgomery County Prosecutor’s Office – Victim Witness Division

Date
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Pursuant to PREA Standards 115.321 (e), Montgomery County Juvenile Court and Montgomery County Prosecutor’s Office Victim Witness Division, enter into the Memorandum of Understanding to collaboratively provide response services to those residents within Montgomery County Juvenile Court Detention Services, Center for Adolescent Services and Nicholas Residential Treatment Services who report being sexually assaulted/abused during their placement. Whereas, residents shall be provided with confidential emotional support services related to sexual assault/abuse as outlined below:

- Accompanying and supporting the victim through the forensic medical examination process.
- Accompanying and supporting the victim through investigatory interviews at the (check each that apply)
  - Hospital
  - Institution
- Provide Emotional Support
- Provide Crisis Intervention Services
- Provide referrals for resources
- Provide follow-up services
- Provide posters with organization contact information (check each that apply)
  - Address
  - Telephone Number

- Do you have a telephone number that you will make available to the victim to call for emotional support
  - Yes – List Telephone Number 937-225-5623
  - No
☐ Do you have an address that you will make available to the victim to write for emotional support

☐ Yes – Address

☐ No

☐ OUR ORGANIZATION IS UNABLE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED SERVICES

☐ Please check if you are open to future discussion and consideration


Eric J. Shafer
Court Administrator

Montgomery County Prosecutor’s Office – Victim Witness Division

Name (Print) Mat Heck Jr.

Signature

Date 2/17/21

937-225-5023
Contact Number