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## I. Policy

To ensure that incidents or suspected incidents of physical abuse, sexual abuse, sexual harassment, retaliation by other juveniles or staff for reporting sexual abuse or sexual harassment, and staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to such incidents are reported to the appropriate agency for proper investigation.

## II. Procedure

- A. Investigators
  - 1. The SWIJDC shall require the training of certain individuals as required in PREA Standard 115.334.
  - 2. Those trained individuals shall conduct any administrative investigations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment allegations, if the allegations does not involve potentially criminal behavior.
- B. Investigations of sexual harassment allegations
  - 1. Allegations of sexual harassment shall be investigated administratively by SWIJDC investigators.
  - 2. If the investigations shows that a staff member is involved in the sexual harassment allegation, and based on a preponderance of the evidence it is believed that the staff member committed the harassment, the matter shall be turned over to the Canyon County Human Resources Department and/or the Canyon County Prosecuting Attorney's Office.
- C. Investigations of sexual abuse allegations
  - A. Any allegation of sexual abuse that potentially involves criminal behavior shall be turned over to the Caldwell Police Department for investigation, especially in all cases that may have happened within a time frame that allows for the collection of physical evidence, or if the allegation involves a staff member.
- D. Staff at the SWIJDC shall cooperate in every way with any investigation.
- E. SWIJDC shall endeavor to remain informed of the progress of the investigation.