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PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION ACT

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003 (with Final Rule August 2012) is a federal law established to address the elimination and prevention of sexual assault and sexual harassment within correctional systems and detention facilities. This Act applies to all correctional facilities, including prisons, jails, juvenile facilities and community corrections residential facilities. PREA incidents involve the following conduct:

- Resident-on-resident sexual assault
- Resident-on-resident abusive sexual contact
- Staff sexual misconduct
- Staff sexual harassment, assault of a resident

The act aimed to curb prison rape through a "zero-tolerance" policy, as well as through research and information gathering. The NH Department of Corrections has zero tolerance relating to the sexual assault/rape of offenders and recognizes these offenders as crime victims. Due to this recognition and adherence to the federal Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003, the NH Department of Corrections extends the "zero tolerance" to the following:

- Contractor/subcontractor misconduct
- Contractor/subcontractor harassment, assault of a resident

As a Contractor and/or Subcontractor of the NH Department of Corrections, I acknowledge that I have been provided information on the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 <u>Public Law 108–79—Sept. 4, 2003</u> and have been informed that as a Contractor and/or Subcontractor of the NH Department of Corrections, sexual conduct between Contractor and/or Subcontractor and offenders is prohibited. Sexual harassment or sexual misconduct involving an offender can be a violation of NH RSA 632-A:2, 632-A:3 and 632-A:4, <u>Chapter 632-A: Sexual Assault and Related Offenses</u>, and result in criminal prosecution.

As a Contractor and/or Subcontractor of the NH Department of Corrections, I understand that I shall inform all employees of the Contractor and/or Subcontractor to adhere to all policies concerning PREA, RSA 632-A:2, RSA 632-A:3, RSA 632-A:4 and departmental policies including NHDOC Administrative Rules, Conduct and Confidentiality Information regarding my conduct, reporting of incidents and treatment of those under the supervision of the NH Department of Corrections. (Ref. RSA Chapter 632-A, NHDOC PPD 5.19 and Administrative Rules, Rules of Conduct for Persons Providing Contract Services, Confidentiality of Information Agreement).

Name (print):		Date:
-	(Name of Contract Signatory)	
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