

What is sexual assault/abuse

Includes -

- Sexual assault/abuse of an inmate by another inmate
 - Rape
 - Forcing you to have sex to repay a debt
 - Offering protection in exchange for sex
- Sexual assault/abuse of an inmate by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer
 - Staff member makes a sexual advance towards you
 - Staff member forces you to touch them in a sexual manner
 - Staff member touches you in a sexual manner (this does not include routine searches)

LABETTE COUNTY JAIL

ZERO TOLERANCE

Sexual Assault/Abuse Sexual Harassment Detained Offenders

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Oswego, KS 67356
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Inmate Education

What is sexual harassment

Includes-

- Sexual harassment of an inmate by another inmate
 - Repeated or unwelcome sexual advances
 - Derogatory or offensive comments of a sexual nature
- Sexual harassment of an inmate by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer
 - Derogatory or offensive comments of a sexual nature
 - Demeaning references to your gender

***ANYONE INTENTIONALLY PROVIDING A FALSE
STATEMENT OF SEXUAL ABUSE AND/OR SEXUAL
HARASSMENT WILL BE CHARGED CRIMINALLY
PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 21-5904***

The PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION ACT (PREA), is a federal law enacted in 2003, and was created to eliminate sexual abuse in confinement. The Labette County Jail mandates a zero tolerance toward all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment within its facility. It is our commitment to investigate any allegation of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; this includes getting services for EVERY victim, and punishing EVERY perpetrator. This includes involving law enforcement and prosecutors.

How to prevent sexual assault/abuse

- Do not let anyone offer you favors, lend you things, or offer you protection, it may be a set up for an assault or targeting you as a potential victim.
- Be aware of situations that make you feel uncomfortable. If it feels wrong, report this to a staff member. It's your right to say "NO", "DON'T", or "STOP IT"
- If you or someone else is being pressured for sex, report it to a staff member immediately.
- Be alert; contraband such as drugs and alcohol will make it hard for you to stay alert and make decisions.

What to do if you've been sexually assaulted/abused

1. Get to a safe place.
2. Even if you want to clean up immediately after the assault, 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. It doesn't matter when the assault happened.
5. Tell ANY staff person (Jail Officer, Supervisor, Deputy, Volunteer, Pastor, Nurse, etc...)Talk to any staff member you trust.
6. Seek the support of a trusted friend, family member, or staff member. Whether or not you plan to report the assault, you may choose to talk to someone.
7. Request victim services through mental health or medical staff at the facility. They will know how to get services for you.

*Just Detention International
3325 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 340
Los Angeles, CA 90010
(213)384-1400*

*Labette Center for Mental Health
1730 Belmont
Parsons, KS 67357
(620)421-3770*

Safehouse Crisis Center (620)251-3772 (this is free/private call from the Labette Co Jail- At the inmate's request, this call can be made from a confidential cell area.)

❖ KNOW YOUR RIGHTS
❖ HOW TO PREVENT IT
❖ HOW TO REPORT IT

How to report a sexual assault/abuse

If you are a victim of sexual assault or you suspect someone else has been sexually abused or involved in sexual misconduct with a staff member, you need to report it. A thorough and impartial investigation will be conducted.

You can make a report 4 ways

- Verbally
- Written inmate request
- Written grievance form
- Dial 8 then 620-555-1234 on phone & leave a message (At the inmate's request, this call can be made from a confidential cell area).

Remember, we cannot conduct an investigation if we don't have enough information. All information will be kept in strict confidence. Talk to any staff member you feel comfortable with. This can be an officer, supervisor, deputy, volunteer, pastor, ANYONE.

If you are a victim of sexual assault you can also report to an outside provider.

- Oswego Police Department
703 5th St, Oswego, KS 67356
(620)795-2131
- Parsons Police Department
217 N Central, Parsons, KS 67357
(620)421-7060
- U.S. Immigration & Customs
2401 W Old Rt. 66, Strafford, MO 65757
(417)865-7359

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