

Scenarios: CA Adv. PREA Systems Advocacy in Detention Settings

Scenario #1

You find out a report was made two days ago and staff did not reach out to you to support the survivor. When you ask why, the staff says that “It wasn’t a real PREA case, the guy was definitely lying. Plus I know you’re super busy.”

What is challenging about this situation?

How did you feel when you heard this and what would you like to say or do? (this is an opportunity to speak freely with your colleagues / TA providers, not the correctional staff)

What should you say and do moving forward?

Scenario #2

As you enter the facility, you and a correctional officer joke about last night’s basketball game. When you meet with your client, they share that they feel uncomfortable sharing with you because you seem too friendly with staff at the facility. They worry that you will let staff know about their situation.

What is challenging about this situation?

How did you feel when you heard this?

What should you say and do moving forward?

Scenario #3

In their letters to you, a few survivors write that the facility is opening and reading your letters to them. They worry about the staff knowing about their abuse and retaliating against them.

What is challenging about this situation?

How did you feel when you heard this?

What should you say or do?