



## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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Case No. 15-0149

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Dear Mr. Marshall:

This is an interim response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for Significant Incident Reports (SIRs) from May 1, 2014 through November 12, 2014, and associated summary reports. We are attaching responsive summary reports and look forward to further discussion about whether these materials can satisfy your request.

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Sincerely yours,



Kimberly Epstein  
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Enclosures

## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Alexis Cohen

April 27 – May 3, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **1**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **8**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **2**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **1**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **2**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **0**
- Other: **0**

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**Total Number of major SIR: 14 ; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 647 ; Number of SIRs for FY14: 11,168**

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 4/26/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 4/26/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Upon minor's arrival, it was reported by ICE officers that UAC was taken to Fort Duncan Regional Medical Center ER due to minor having been sexually assaulted during her journey to the US.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICC

**Date of the Incident:** 4/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 4/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the course of initial assessment, minor disclosed a significant history of verbal and physical abuse, as well as forced labor by grandmother. Minor indicates that she has lived in the care of her grandmother since her mother immigrated to the United States approximately 10 years ago, and that her grandmother has hit her and verbally abused her that entire time. Minor indicates that her grandmother would hit her with her fists and any objects lying around such as belts, sticks, flat sides of knives, cooking spoons, etc. Minor recounts one instance when her grandmother struck her repeatedly in the face, resulting in black eyes and a bloody nose. Minor indicates that her grandmother would sometimes strike her in front of other workers at the tortilla plant or in front of family members, and would publicly belittle her. Minor also discloses that her grandmother would refuse to pay for minor's personal expenses, such as necessary clothes or school supplies, and when mother would send money from the US to fund minor, minor felt that she had to hide the money from her grandmother or else she would take it away. Minor has indicated that she was forced to work as "compensation" for her grandmother's care, and would often work 19 hour days without pay. Minor indicates that grandmother would also verbally and physically abuse minor's 15 year old sister, but that minor would attempt to deflect that abuse by taking it on herself. Minor denies that grandmother abused minor's cousin, whom grandmother preferred and doted upon.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Fairfield

**Date of the Incident:** 4/28/14

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 4/28/14

**UAC:**

**Summary of SIR:**

During session with minor he made allegations about indicative of inappropriate sexual behavior. reported that made sexual innuendos to him by saying that he wanted to be in his room with. stated, "Well you know what that means". stated that he knows is homosexual because he has shared with him that he used to have sex with men back in his country Guatemala. said that he does not pay much attention to him but he also stated that has shown to him when he is aroused by telling him, "Look" by pointing to an apparent

erection, said. dded that is a kid who apparently can be manipulated by others because he acts "strange" and doing whatever he is told to.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** IES Brownsville

**Date of the Incident:** 4/26/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 4/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC (age 10) reported that UAC (age 9) bites his lips every time he sees her. She mentioned also that over the weekend, Foster parent took them to McDonald's restaurant and when playing on the tube slides, told her: "Mira que soy caballero, tu pasa primero por el resbaladero" (because I'm a gentleman, I'll let you go first on the slide). As per stroked her back while moving her forward to slide. reported she does not like being touched that way.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Raymondville

**Date of the Incident:** 4/21/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 4/21/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC reported to Shelter Supervisor of an incident regarding inappropriate touch by resident . UAC reported this incident occurred during his arrival, approximately 4/4/2014. UAC denied reporting the incident to BCFS staff at the time incident occurred.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** David and Margaret

**Date of the Incident:** 4/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 4/22/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Resident was lying on the sofa and resident walked up to him and gave him a kiss on the forehead.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Rio Grande

**Date of the Incident:** 4/21/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 4/22/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor's Mother disclosed that the reason why minor traveled to the U.S was to flee abuse from her adult boyfriend. Minor's mother/ Sponsor explained that the minor was living with her boyfriend four about a year and was aware that her daughter was experiencing some form of abuse from him. advised that she paid for the minor's trip and brought her daughter to the U.S to be in a better place. It should be noted that the minor did not want to disclose entirely but admitted that her boyfriend was 20 years old and is currently four months pregnant from him. On April 22, 2014, Minor spoke with Clinician and she did not want to disclose but did acknowledged that she experienced physical and verbal abuse from her boyfriend. No other issues were reported.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** SWK Lighthouse

**Date of the Incident:** 4/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 4/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client disclosed to clinician that his teacher inappropriately touched him and behaved inappropriately with him while client was Phoenix Children's Hospital and for some time while in shelter. Client went on to say that since being in the hospital (April 8th, 2014) has visited approximately every day. Client stated that he began to feel uncomfortable when he read the poems she was leaving him. He stated they contained inappropriate

messages. For example, client reports that she would draw pictures of hearts with a key and would tell him that he had "the key to her heart". Client did not further elaborate on the content of the letters as he stated he felt uncomfortable repeating it. Client stated he would destroy all the letters as he did not want to keep them. Client also shares that Mrs. [redacted] has told him that she would like to reconnect with him after he leaves the shelter and also asked for client's Facebook name to be able to find him, in which client refused by lying that he did not have an account. Additionally, client states that during [redacted] visitation, whether a youth care worker (YCW) was present or not, she inappropriately touched him. Client reports that on approximately 5 different occasions, [redacted] came to visit and sat toward the end of the bed where client was laying (while YCW was present – but not looking) and reports that she would slide her hand under the covers and inside the leg pant and would begin to "seductively" (word client used to describe the touch) massage his leg. Client states he found himself moving his legs away from her body but she continued to touch him. Client denied his genital area being touched. Additionally, client also shares that she "always" grabs his hand and begins to massage it all the way to his shoulder. On Sunday April 20th, client reported that [redacted] visited him. Client states that when she walked in, he was sitting on a couch with a blanket over him. Client states that [redacted] sat next to him and said she was cold and pulled his blanket over her body until both were sharing the same blanket. Client states he felt uncomfortable sharing the same blanket so he pulled it back to him and walked to his bed while [redacted] stayed on the couch and continued conversation. While lying in bed, he states to have looked over at [redacted] who was sitting on the couch and client states [redacted] had her legs fully spread apart (while wearing a dress) and claims to have been exposing her genital area. Client states he was shocked and looked away. Client reports that she kept talking but he did not want to look at her because he could see through the corner of his eye that she was not closing her legs. Client states that an YCW was present but was facing client therefore unable to see [redacted] behavior. On Monday April 21st client states he noticed [redacted] chewing gum and asked her if she had another piece - she answered that she did not. Client states she then told him she could give him the piece she was chewing. Client reports she placed the piece of gum on the tip of her tongue and leaned over about an inch away from his face while her hand was placed on his neck. Client states he turned his face as he thought that she would kiss him and told her "No, I don't want it, it's full of germs". On another occasion, client states that [redacted] was ending her visitation and decided to give him a hug before leaving. Client states that she gave him a tight hug and sucked on his neck. Client explained that it was not a "hickey" or a "kiss" - he specifically reports it being a "suction made with her lips" on the left side of his neck. Client tried to avoid [redacted] by pretending to be asleep. He would also try to change conversation when comments she made were inappropriate, and pretended to be in pain so the visitation would terminate. Finally, client mentioned that while in class, [redacted] ended to give him much attention and would want to sit next to him during lunch time. While sitting in lunch or in class, he states that [redacted] would constantly rub her leg against his. Also, while in class, he states he would receive letters from her on a daily basis with "compromising" content. YCW in place was immediately instructed not to leave client unattended or unsupervised during visitations.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Lemon Grove

**Date of the Incident:** 4/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 4/22/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Minor disclosed that she had had intercourse four times with a male she had been dating for three months that had resulted in her pregnancy. She disclosed that she had not consented to have sex with him and that he had hit her. She said that she met him through school and that he told her his name was [redacted] but that it was a fake name. The relationship ended about four months ago when he left town and she has had no contact with him since.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Crittenton

**Date of the Incident:** 4/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 4/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client requested for Unit Supervisor to help him pack and clean his room when he felt over whelmed. Staff [redacted] were in the room doing inventory of his personal belonging. When Unit supervisor was cleaning out his desk drawers noticed glue in a plastic-wrapped into a ball. [redacted] asked client what was that used for and client [redacted] stated he uses it to glue his drawings up on the wall. Seconds later [redacted] picked up a folded paper and opened it up and then

noticed a white powdery substance. [redacted] asked if I knew what this was and I did not recognize the substance. I then immediately took the paper and placed it in one of the staff's drawers in the staff area. Unit Supervisor contacted Chemical Dependency and was told to write an SIR. The Program Director was also contacted and suggested to take the substance to the Fullerton Police Department. [redacted] asked if I can take it. When exiting the med room [redacted] staff saw client [redacted] reaching over in to the staff area and opening the staff drawer behind the counter, asked what he was doing? Client stated he was throwing something away. I collected the paper and the glue from the staff drawer and put them into a zip lock bag and took it to the police station and spoke to Officer A. Park. The officer took the substance to get it tested when he returned he stated there was nothing in the paper or any type of residue he was not able conduct any type of test. Officer Park said for future reference not to transport any type of suspicious substance, to contact the police and isolate the evidence and do not let anyone touch it until the police arrive. When I returned to the unit, I checked the trash can and noticed there was white powder in the trashcan. I immediately notified Unit Supervisor [redacted] and Assistant Program Director [redacted] whom notified Program Director [redacted] I then got the approval by program director to contact the police department and a police officer was immediately dispatched. The police arrived at the unit and spoke to Unit Supervisor [redacted] Another officer arrived moments later and tested the substance. Officer B. Phu said there was not enough of the substance for it to be tested. Both officers spoke to client [redacted] in the kitchen and then proceed to search his room. The police officer did not find anything else. Officer Phu mentioned that client [redacted] had stated that it was a pill for a headache and that he received it from another client and he crushed the pill.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Friends of Youth Matsen

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 4/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

SIR not recorded in UAC Portal.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 4/23/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 4/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

[redacted] stated that for the first three months he did not have to work while living with his aunt and uncle. After that time his uncle stated that [redacted] had to work in his business. When [redacted] told him that his father was sending them money to help support him living there, his uncle stated, "You father is paying my wife not me. Since you are living in my house you have to work for me." [redacted] stated that he did not want to work there. He also stated that he was scared that if he didn't work he would be kicked out of the home. [redacted] stated that on school days he worked from 4:00 PM to 10:00 PM and on weekends, during summer vacation, and holidays he worked from 5:00 AM to 10 PM. [redacted] stated that for the first month his uncle gave him \$10 a week. When asked if this was a fair wage, he stated that this was very low for the amount of hours he worked. After 1 month, [redacted] stated that he was no longer paid and wasn't paid for the next 5 months. When asked why he didn't question his uncle about the pay, he stated that he was fearful that he would be kicked out of the home. After the 5 months he did tell his uncle that he wanted to be paid. He stated that his uncle then gave him \$5 per week. After three weeks [redacted] told him that this was too little, and he stated that his uncle said, "I am giving you this money because I want to. It is not for the work that you are doing. You are working here because you are living in my house." When [redacted] was asked if this was something he agreed to at any point in him living there he stated that no it wasn't and that his father was still sending his aunt money every month. When asked if he ever had a day off, he stated that his aunt would be able to occasionally convince her husband to have [redacted] stay home. [redacted] stated that the next day he would be given more work than usually since he did not work. [redacted] reported that he preferred to work daily instead of having the day off due to the extra work.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 4/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 4/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On April 24, 2014 at around 10:09 pm in Charlie dorm, UAC was instructed to lower the volume on his radio by direct care staff As DCS turned around to monitor the UACs in her other assigned rooms, UAC made a whistling sound, followed by a kissing sound. Direct care immediately redirected UAC for his behavior and notified shift lead manager Shift lead spoke to UAC about his behavior.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Shiloh RTC

**Date of the Incident:** 4/23/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 4/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Therapist met with client on the above date for individual session. Client reported feeling 'nervous' and opted to remain standing for session. Client paced office as she relayed the following information to therapist: Client stated that the person identified as was not the grandmother of her child in Honduras, but a woman who paid for her migration to US. Client stated that she is a friend of the woman's daughter who is approximately client's stated age. She stated that she came to US with woman's daughter in order to work with woman and pay her for the trip with money earned from employment. Client stated that she was to be employed as a prostitute. Client reported that her mother was not aware of her plan to come to the US. Client stated that she was worried about repaying her debt.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Alexis Cohen

May 4 – May 10, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **1**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **8**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **2**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **0**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **2**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **7**
- Other: **1**

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**Total Number of major SIR: 21 ; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 704 ; Number of SIRs for FY14: 11,872**

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Extended Care

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/5/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

SIR regarding threats by UAC to rape other UAC is not recorded in the UAC Portal.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** IES Los Fresnos

**Date of the Incident:** 5/5/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/5/14

**Summary of SIR:**

reports she was inappropriately touched by an unknown male immigrant in her group after entering the U.S. Minor states the incident occurred shortly after entering the U.S. She states they entered the U.S. via Mexico border sometime in the evening of 04/29/14. She and her sister had just crossed into the U.S., when her sister needed to use the bathroom. Her sister left alone for a few minutes so she could go into a covered area to urinate. When was left alone, a male immigrant approximately 25 years old and from El Salvador, grabbed and covered her mouth. He touched her private area over her pants. was able to scream. Her sister heard her and ran back to see what happened. states her sister hit and shoved this individual. Her sister argued with him and then decided to stay behind in order to avoid traveling with him. They turned themselves in to border patrol shortly after this incident. denied any other type of abuse during the journey and states this individual touched her over her clothing.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** St. PJ's

**Date of the Incident:** 5/2/14

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/5/14

**UAC:**

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

Several peers reported to staff that they were uncomfortable with the behavior of minor, One peer reported that attempted to rub her legs with her hands. She stated that stated that she wishes she could see underneath her dress. She stated that the peer was "her girl" and that no boys can look at her because she is hers. The peer added that when exiting the van, reportedly touched her buttocks and tried to put her hand between her legs. She added that makes inappropriate comments such as, "wear that dress tomorrow so I can see those legs", that she would pay money to have sex with her, and that she would be better than any man. Another peer reported that makes vulgar gestures and remarks such licking her lips and using her tongue to show how a man "should give it to her". The peer also reported that draws vulgar pictures and made a statement that she would like to "please" her. A third peer reported that the minor calls her names and shows her drawings of male parts. A fourth



peer reported that [redacted] stated that she looked "yummy", grabbed her hand and stated she was walking with her "husband". All peers stated that they did not report any of this information to the transporter during the court tours. The peers stated that they told the staff member that [redacted] was bothering them, but did not provide the details above. The peers reported that the transporter redirected [redacted] for bothering them. At 4:35pm, staff observed the minor pinch a peer's buttocks. She was immediately redirected by staff. The minor quickly stated it was an accident. The minor was asked to stand next to staff for the remainder of the meal.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 5/5/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/5/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During clinical interview UAC reported having been sexually molested by coyote on journey to U.S.A in April 2014. UAC stated nearby woman accompanied and protected UAC on remainder of journey. UAC stated no other sexual abuse from coyote. UAC stated no physical harm.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Antigua

**Date of the Incident:** 5/5/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/5/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth disclosed that she was sexually assaulted by an unknown male in home country, El Salvador, and is currently 4 months pregnant. Youth stated on Dec. 20, 2013 she was a victim of sexual assault by an unknown male who entered their home when she was alone. Youth stated she only recalls a male coming at her with a rag in his hand and does not remember anything else, but him wearing black. Youth's brother found her with a blanket very dazed and confused. She was then taken to the hospital where she was medically reviewed for 2 days. The doctor shared with her that she had been a victim of rape. The youth stated she was upset but couldn't recall anything. The doctor advised her that she could become pregnant due to the sexual encounter. Youth stated on January 11, 2014 she found out she was pregnant. Youth added this was her first sexual encounter, she denied being sexually active prior to the incident. Youth has a very positive attitude toward this pregnancy, due to the circumstance. She stated that the situation was unfortunate but God would not give a child life without purpose and although it hurts her to know how it came about she tries to see the way God and her faith allows her too. Youth stated her brother and mother have been encouraging and supportive throughout the process of her understanding. Youth is four months pregnant and expecting a boy. Youth stated the perpetrator has never come back and she was not being threatened by anyone. Youth stated she migrated to the US to be with her mother.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Children's Village

**Date of the Incident:** 5/5/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/6/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the morning time [redacted] refused to take her medication and instead hid underneath her bed stating that she did not like it here and would like to return back to the previous facility. Later on when transitioning into the living room, quickly pulled down her pants and underwear and flashed the group. When addressed and asked to pull up her pants [redacted] began to laugh.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Raymondville

**Date of the Incident:** 5/6/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/6/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

On 5/6/2014 at approximately 12:45pm in bedroom 2 UAC [redacted] tapped him with an open hand twice on the buttocks.

[redacted] stated UAC

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Bokenkamp

**Date of the Incident:** 5/7/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/7/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC and direct care staff were in the ATU living room. UAC was sitting in a chair while direct care worker was standing. Direct care worker was called by another employee who was standing at the doorway. When direct care staff worker turned, UAC touched her left breast with his fingers.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** LSS of Michigan TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 5/6/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/7/14

**Summary of SIR:**

mother (sponsor) reported that she was by unknown people that identified themselves as attorneys and requested money to have the minor released. reported that the person identified himself as an attorney and said that he had the minor in his care in the state of Arizona. The person told her to make a deposit of \$1100 and pay the remainder amount at the time of release for a total amount of \$2800; this transaction had to be completed within a day. was advised not to render any payment to the people due to being a fraudulent misrepresentation. Ms. provided a contact number that appeared on the caller ID ; however, no name was provided.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Brownsville

**Date of the Incident:** 5/6/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/7/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

On Tuesday May 6, 2014 at approximately 6:30pm, Shift Leader was approached by Staff Secure client with a complaint. Client stated that yesterday at about 3:00pm after school in room #3 in the Staff Secure dorm, fellow client and roommate exposed his private parts to him. Client did not state why he had not reported it immediately, only that he was feeling bad about the situation.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 5/6/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/6/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 5/6/14 at approximately 7:30 pm while at the Hennessee Shelter Dormitory, Direct Care Worker reported to Team Leader that four youth in group 4 voiced inappropriate touching allegation against UAC age 13.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland Casa Guadalupe

**Date of the Incident:** 5/7/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/7/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed that he witnessed violence and experienced threats in home country. He stated that he was threatened by both drug traffickers and by gang members. Per the minor, his family was involved in the trafficking of drugs. He stated that he personally became involved in selling drugs at the age of 14. He stated that he participated in the transport of drugs to other locations in home country. He stated that he worked for his cousin in the sale of the drugs and that he was not forced to do anything that he did not want to do.

Per the minor, drug traffickers from other groups of drug sellers called him almost on a daily basis and told him to watch his back because they were going to kill him. He reported that he did not feel very afraid when he received these phone calls because he was accustomed to death and did not feel like his life had very much value. He denied that the drug traffickers ever harmed him physically.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland Guadalupe 2

**Date of the Incident:** 5/7/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/7/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the initial clinical assessment, the minor stated that the guides she was traveling with had her conceal small packages of drugs during the journey to the US. Per the minor, the guides stated that she and her friends had to carry them because they were less likely to be searched by anyone that stopped them during the journey, to the US, than men. According to the minor, she did it because she was afraid that she might be hurt if she didn't follow orders. Per the minor, she was never threatened or physically harmed by the guides. The minor denied any disruptions in her sleep or eating patterns due to this incident. The minor stated she has not told anyone about the incident because she is afraid.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland Guadalupe 2

**Date of the Incident:** 5/7/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/7/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the initial clinical assessment, the minor stated that when they arrived in Mexico, she was raped and robbed. Per the minor she and the group she was traveling with were walking when two men came out from behind trees with shotguns and told them to get on the ground on their stomachs. Per the minor, the man took all their money and one of them went away for about 10 minutes, leaving the other man guarding them with the shotgun. Per the minor, when the second man came back they took turns raping her behind a nearby tree. Per the minor, after they raped her, the two men told the group that they were going to forgive them their lives and let them go. Per the minor, she has only spoken of this to the lawyer from NIJC I and to the program's clinician. The minor stated that she has nightmares regarding the incident and that when she thinks about the incident she doesn't feel like eating. The minor stated that sometimes she also has anxiety attacks related to the incident. The minor stated that the last nightmare occurred on 5/4/2014.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Youthcare

**Date of the Incident:** 5/8/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/8/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC reports that en-route to the U.S. she was raped by a man. She reports that the group stopped to take a rest, she walked over to a dark area to urinate a man approached her, asked her what she was doing, she told him nothing, he then grabbed her, put his hand over her mouth and raped her. He then left and left her there. She regained composure and rejoined the group, she didn't tell anyone in the group because she was ashamed. She didn't see the man again.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Youthcare

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/8/14

**Summary of SIR:**

SIR regarding UAC intimidation is not recorded in UAC Portal.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** 2/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 2/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

disclosed during a session with clinician he was coerced into engaging in a sexual act with his guide while traversing Mexico approximately twenty days ago. Minor stated the guide who accompanied him on the journey was someone he knew was also from his community in Guatemala. Minor alleges he suspected this person was homosexual and has harassed him prior to the journey, but minor believed he was only joking. Minor reports the harassment continued once the journey to the United States began. Minor claims he was with the guide in Mexico when the guide asked the minor to allow him to receive fellatio or risk being left on the journey. Minor stated he feared to be left behind so he agreed to let the guide perform fellatio on him. states he is ashamed of the incident, but feels better talking about what occurred.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Bethany Christian Services TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 5/6/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/6/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Upon further assessment with the minor, she disclosed that on one occasion during the journey, 2 of the men she was traveling with touched her in her private areas with their hands while the coyote was gone buying food. She went to get a drink of water and they came up behind her, grabbed her, and put her on a bed in the house they were staying at in Mexico. On another occasion, she said that 5 men touched her in her private areas. Despite threats to harm her or her loved ones in El Salvador, the minor reported what happened to the owner of the house, who called the police. The police came and arrested the men. The minor became tearful when relating these events and requested to call her aunt, which was attempted but she was unable to be reached. The clinician provided empathy to the minor at the time of disclosure, praised her for her bravery in reporting the abuse, and told her that it was not her fault that this happened.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Sol

**Date of the Incident:** 5/9/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/9/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client reported that she was raped on her journey to the US. Client reported that when she arrived in Mexico she was staying in a house full of men while waiting for the guide to lead her into the US. Client reported that she stayed in the house for three days. Client reported that at night the men would drink a lot of alcohol. Client reported that one night after they had been drinking for a long period of time one of the men raped her. Client reported that this was a singular event and that after she was raped she has had discharge and is afraid that she could be pregnant.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Canutillo

**Date of the Incident:** 5/9/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/9/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client was being vitalized by medical coordinator then asked about client's menses and client had voiced that she had been raped. Client was seen by Dr. for initial physical exam. During the exam client had voiced that she had been sexually abused. Client was then told that her urinalysis results were positive for pregnancy. Client then became emotional and started to cry because she was unaware of her pregnancy. Client was explained that there would be help and support for her while she is in the program. Client was also redirected and offered to speak within house clinician. Client will continue to be closely monitored and she will follow up with Dr. as needed.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland IYC

**Date of the Incident:** 5/8/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/9/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

Within the context of the clinical session, minor (16 years of age) reported that his peer, whom he shares a room, had engaged in sexually inappropriate behaviors and other disruptive behaviors towards him. Clinical session conducted with the assistance of an Acateco interpreter, as minor's primary language is Acateco. Per minor, his peer, (who is hearing impaired and 14 years old), exposed his body to him on one occasion, had tried to kiss him, and poked him in the buttocks. These events occurred on different occasions at night near or before sleep time. Clinician sensitively gathered additional information while providing support. Minor clarified that when had poked his buttocks it happened while both participants were fully clothed and over clothes. The minor reported that on at least one occasion had exposed himself by showing him his penis. In addition, the minor reported that had bothered him in other ways that were not sexual in nature, such as by messing up his bed, hiding his clothes and tearing up his school work. Per minor, at times, hits or kicks him as well. Minor reported feeling uncomfortable and did not want to continue to sleep in the same room as The minor stated he had trouble sleeping as he would stay awake to make sure will not try to do something or act out. The minor reported to staff that the events had been occurring over the course of the last week. Clinician noted that due to communication barriers, the minor may have struggled to communicate this information to staff earlier. Clinician noted that has not yet been interviewed to clarify the information provided by this minor. A sign language skilled staff member will interview tomorrow to clarify further and provide any psycho-education and clarify limits where appropriate.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Alexis Cohen

May 11 – May 17, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: 0
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: 6
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: 3
- Possession/Use of Drugs: 2
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: 3
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: 3
- Other: 0

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**Total Number of major SIR: 18 ; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 676 ; Number of SIRs for FY14: 12,548**

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland Guadalupe 3

**Date of the Incident:** 5/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/19/14

### Summary of SIR: (4)

While walking through the building checking on the participants, staff member reported that she witnessed participant (age 10) with his pants and underwear down in his room touching his penis. She reported that participant (age 8) was watching and smiling. She stated that participants (age 9) and (age 11) were in the room looking in other directions. She reported that each of the participants was in their assigned room. Staff member stated that she immediately asked participant to pull up his pants and she separated him from the other participants. Clinician interviewed each of the participants separately. reported that minor told him to play with his private parts. He stated that he responded that he did not want to and that he would get in trouble. He reported that participant then hit him on his private parts and told him to touch them. He stated that he then pulled down his pants and starting touching his penis. He reported that he did not tell a staff member because he was afraid that minor would hit him. Clinician interviewed minor He reported that he and minor Joseph were playing with toy dice. He stated that every time he rolled the dice, Joseph would hit him on the arm the number of times that came up on the dice. He stated that then pulled his pants down and minor told him to pull them back up. He stated that then started touching himself on his penis and his buttocks. He stated that he told him not too. He denied taking his own pants down. Clinician interviewed participant who was also present for the incident. Participant reported that he saw both participants and taking their pants down. He reported that they then threw toy dice and that touched his penis to buttocks as many number of times that showed up on the dice. He stated that what they were doing was participant idea. He reported that he was going to tell a worker when staff member came to the room and saw . He stated that immediately before staff member entered the room, pulled his pants up. He reported that during this incident, he covered his own eyes with a blanket and told participant to do so as well.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 5/9/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/9/14

### Summary of SIR:

During a 72 hour & ISP assessment, reports experiencing physical abuse from his father and sexual abuse from a guide during his journey. On the first day of his journey to the U.S. traveled with an older man (35-40 years old) who served as a guide. That night, was in bed when the old man got in the bed with and asked him "if he had ever been with a women". didn't answer. The older man proceeded to put his hand in pants and to grab his testicles. At that moment got out of the bed and the older man left alone that night. reported that

the whole event lasted one minute or less. The next day, [redacted] went with another guide. [redacted] reported it to the other guide and the guide told him that he would take the necessary measures to make sure this man is brought to justice. [redacted] reports that he feels more affected by the abuse of his father than the sexual abuse that happen during the journey.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland SCIV

**Date of the Incident:** 5/11/14

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/12/14

**UAC:**

**Summary of SIR:**

During the initial clinical assessment, the minor reported that she was raped during her journey to the US. The minor reported that while she was living in Guatemala her friend, [redacted] (17), told the minor that he knew a man named Jonathan who was able to fake Mexican documentation, "papeles falsos." The minor reported that she then contacted Jonathan to ask if he could falsify Mexican documentation for her. She stated that he asked the minor if she wanted the documents in order to be able to travel through MX on her way to the US, to which she responded, "yes." The minor reported that that [redacted] then told her that he planned on traveling to the US and asked the minor if she wanted to join him to which she responded, "yes." The minor denied paying Jonathan for guiding her to the US and denied that was her coyote. She stated that she believed [redacted] was going to accompany her until she arrived to the border of and the US. She reported that while on a bus in MX, [redacted] told the minor that they had to go into the sleeping quarters at the bottom of the bus where there was a bed. She reported that [redacted] explained to her that they had to hide, or be taken off the bus at a security check point. The minor reported that she believed that [redacted] was a good person as he had talked to her about God and therefore did not question why he told her to do this. She stated that she and Jonathan went into the sleeping quarters of the bus while at a pit stop. She reported that while in the sleeping quarters Jonathan raped her while the bus continued its journey. She stated that she was able to get out of the cabin while at the next bus stop. She reported that at that point Jonathan told her to stay in the cabin and told her not to say anything about what had happened. She stated that her legs hurt badly but she went back into the passenger area of the bus as she preferred to get pulled off of the bus than to remain with [redacted]. She reported that [redacted] told the minor, "tomate algo por si acaso se te quedo algo." The minor reported that she believes this comment was in reference to her taking some kind of abortion pill. She stated that he also threatened her saying, "No vayas a decirle a nadie si no te voy a bajar y darte una sorpresa." She stated that she is unaware of when or where they separated as she became disoriented after raped her. She stated that she did not see him again after the bus ride ended but stated that she fears returning to MX and seeing him again. The minor stated that since this incident she has felt strange and not like herself. She reported that during the rest of her journey she felt disoriented at times as she was unable to keep track of where she was or where she had been. She reported that she did not tell anyone about this situation. The minor stated that she owes \$3,000 MX pesos to Jonathan. She reported that he lent the minor \$3,000 MX pesos for her journey to the US. She reported that he lent her this amount of money in cash before beginning their journey and stated that she used the money for traveling expenses such as her bus fares and for food. She stated that she does not believe there are any consequences for not repaying this money as she believes his real motive for having the minor travel with him was to rape her. She stated that that she does not know if the money is still owed and she has no way of knowing how it would be repaid as she does not know where he currently is.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** IES Brownsville

**Date of the Incident:** 5/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Case manager [redacted] met with [redacted] to conduct initial intake and orientation. According to [redacted] she made her journey to the US to stay with her biological mother, [redacted] (age 37), who resides in Louisiana. As per [redacted] prior to making the journey to the US she resided with her maternal grandmother [redacted] age 63). According to [redacted] she is about 4 months pregnant. When asked about her pregnancy, [redacted] mentioned that her pregnancy is a result of a sexual assault by an unknown male in Honduras. [redacted] stated the perpetrator looked to be about 30 years old. As per [redacted] the perpetrator threatened to harm her family if she reported the sexual assault and told her he knew who she was and where she lived. As per [redacted] she informed her maternal grandmother of the sexual assault but incident was never reported to the police. [redacted] stated she has not seen the perpetrator since the sexual assault.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS Fairfield

**Date of the Incident:** 1/5/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 01-04-2014, [redacted] travelled from [redacted] Mexico to [redacted] Mexico to vacation with his grandmother and uncles. On the morning of 01-05-14, he went to meet friends from [redacted] whom he had not seen for six months. His friends asked him whether he wanted to "work" to which [redacted] responded in the affirmative. [redacted] then was introduced to man named [redacted] who would be providing details regarding the job. [redacted] informed [redacted] he would transport "things" across the border. [redacted] mentions he assumed he would be smuggling people across the border as this was the work he had previously done and was familiar with and because his friends knew he had no previous experience smuggling drugs. [redacted] instructed [redacted] to meet at an unspecified location to pick up his "things." Upon arrival, [redacted] found a package with drugs. He disclosed he accepted the job since he knew physical harm could come to him should he refuse. When asked whether there were any explicit threats he responded no, but he said "when you accept a job, you have to follow through."

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Friends of Youth

**Date of the Incident:** 5/5/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/7/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

Resident [redacted] approached [redacted] regarding an incident that occurred on 5/3/14, while he was washing dishes. While in the kitchen, according to [redacted] was standing behind when [redacted] felt someone tapping his buttocks briefly. [redacted] then turned around and asked [redacted] if he had touched [redacted] states that [redacted] simply stared quietly at him for about 10 seconds and both then walked away from the kitchen area. [redacted] who was in the kitchen did not witness this interaction.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Shiloh RTC

**Date of the Incident:** 5/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC told Direct Care Staff, [redacted] that roommate [redacted] had exposed himself in front of him the previous evening (05-12-14) at approximately 6:30pm. UAC stated that Direct Care Staff, [redacted] saw the incident occur. Mr. [redacted] was sitting in the doorway at the moment of the inappropriate behavior was alleged to have occurred. Direct Care Staff [redacted] was questioned about the behavior by Staff Supervisor. Mr. [redacted] denied seeing this behavior by UAC. UAC denied inappropriate sexual behavior.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS SA TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 5/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/14/14

**Summary of SIR: (3)**

During an individual clinical session with [redacted], a UAC in the same home as [redacted] made some allegations against [redacted] stating that she had touch another UAC [redacted] in the home, as well as the biological daughter of foster parents [redacted] inappropriately. [redacted] reported that [redacted] would inappropriately touch [redacted] and foster parent's biological daughter repeatedly on their private areas underneath their clothing, made sexual gestures (inappropriately rubbing self on the bunk bed ladder), and exposed her private areas to them. [redacted] reported that the other girls engaged in the inappropriate touching behavior as well but that [redacted] was the main one who would start the inappropriate touching and get the others to engage in the touching.



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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Lutheran Community Services NW

**Date of the Incident:** 5/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Staff was performing a weekly room search in [redacted] oom and found 5 pills in one of his pockets. The pills were later identified as Trazodone, for which he has a current prescription at 100mg, to be taken every evening at bedtime. The found medication was confiscated and turned over to the Program Supervisor

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Canutillo

**Date of the Incident:** 2/1/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On May 15, 2014 during the initial mental health screening [redacted] (14) reported she was sexually assaulted by 5 gang members back in her country 4 months ago. Betty claimed she was beaten and threatened if she would report them. Betty stated a lady helped her and took her home after her assault. When she arrived home claimed her mother was not home, so she got in the shower and waited for her mother. [redacted] stated she told her mother what had happened and she was supportive and took her to a clinic to get checked. [redacted] reported she had bruises on her arms and legs. [redacted] stated she did not notify the authorities due to being scared. [redacted] disclosed being pregnant due to her rape. [redacted] disclosed she called her father and told him what had happened. [redacted] reported her father was supportive and encouraged her to come to the U.S. and told her not to worry that he was going to help her.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Galveston Multicultural Institute

**Date of the Incident:** 5/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/15/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

Minor reported that on 5/14/2014 at about 2:25 pm when boys in care were in line to get in to the school building from the basketball court, the minor that was walking behind him touched his buttocks with both hands. Minor shattered "he touched my buttocks" "me toco las nalgas" Minor reported that he felt uncomfortable with the incident and reported to one of the staff.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Youth for Tomorrow

**Date of the Incident:** 5/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

[redacted] reported his mother abandoned him to live with his maternal grandparents when he was a baby. He stated that since he can remember, his grandfather, [redacted] beat him with his hands and kicked him in the stomach. He additionally reported that a maternal uncle lived in the home and was consistently under the influence of marihuana and would habitually hit [redacted] for no reason. He reported that at the age of 6, his grandmother died and his grandfather kicked him out of the home to live on the streets. He explained that from the ages of 6-14, he worked different jobs to survive. He reported that sometime in mid-2005 he worked for a woman named [redacted] for a period of one month. He noted that in this month, he worked seven days a week from 7:00a.m.-5:00p.m. He denied that he was provided with any type of payment, was barely allowed to eat, was not provided with clothes or medical care, was beat by [redacted] sons, and was forced to sleep with the dogs on the floor. [redacted] stated [redacted] coerced him to stay by telling him he had nowhere else to go, so might as well continue working for her. [redacted] stated he ran away after that month and continued living on the streets and working odd end jobs.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Conroe

**Date of the Incident:** 5/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client disclosed her pregnancy to her mother. When the client's mother asked her who the father of her child is, the client reluctantly replied that she was sexually assaulted by her guide several times. The client stated that the first time he sexually assaulted her was the evening of March 30, 2014. She reported that the guide sexually assaulted her every evening between March 30 - April 6. The client stated that the guide became very protective of her and when picked up by immigration, claimed her as his wife. The client stated through fear of retaliation, she did not report the sexual assault to anyone. She stated that she intended to tell her mother about the sexual assault once she was reunified, but upon finding out she was pregnant she was compelled to tell her mother before. The client reports no symptoms of PTSD, depression or trauma. The client reported feeling hopeful for the future and happy about her pregnancy. The client reported no suicidal or homicidal ideation and there appear to be no clinical concerns at this time.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Tumbleweed

**Date of the Incident:** 5/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

reported that she was sexually assaulted by the guide that was bringing her to United States.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Youth for Tomorrow

**Date of the Incident:** 5/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the intake process, while staff was administering a drug screen.

tested positive for THC.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 5/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC informed CM that last night while taking shower, another resident walked into the bathroom and saw him in the shower. Upon getting ready for bed, the resident made the statement " que bonito trasero" in English, " what a nice behind." UAC reports that this comment made him feel bad (me hizo sentir mal). CM inquired if he had mentioned it to anyone else, and UAC said, "no". CM advised him that she would be reporting this incident to her supervisor and clinician. UAC agreed.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 5/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

In the context of clinical session minor reported he was threatened into joining a gang (MS) and was made to sell drugs for them. Minor explains since January 2013 on several occasions outside of school gang members would stop him and ask him to join their gang. Minor reports he confronted the gang and told them he would call the police if they persisted. Minor reports they threatened to kill him if he called the police or did not join their gang (MS). Minor reports he was forced to join the gang since they threatened to kill him and his family. Minor shared the gang members would call him to come out with them. Minor shared they would go seek for him and make him use drugs. Minor shared the gang members would give him drugs and make him use them by showing him their weapons. Minor reports the reason why the gang members made the kids use drugs was to get them addicted. Minor also shared the gang members would tell him to sell the drugs. Minor

shared the first time they made him sell drugs they showed him their gun. Minor reports he understood if he didn't sell drugs he would be killed.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Alexis Cohen

June 8 – June 14, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **1**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **8**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **2**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **0**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **1**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **4**
- Other: **5**

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**Total Number of major SIR: 21 ; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 882 ; Number of SIRs for FY14: 15,217**

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 6/7/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/7/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During clinical interview, [redacted] reported physical and emotional abuse by her father in home country throughout her life. [redacted] reported that her father was violent and abusive to her and her mother; they were never allowed to leave the house. If [redacted] or her mother needed to leave the house, her father had to accompany them. [redacted] reported feeling kidnapped within her own home and reports being in fear of her father and their safety. [redacted] reported being harmed with various objects and having been bruised on multiple occasions by her father. If her mother attempted to protect her, her mother was also beaten. On one occasion, [redacted] reported being slammed against the wall and was unconscious for 30 minutes. She reports her mother remained by her side and that her mother requested to take her to the hospital but her father refused. She further reported coming to on her own. She denies any current symptoms related to this incident. [redacted] disclosed to clinician being "sold by her father sold to a Narco (drug dealer)" in April of 2014. She reported that 3 men showed up to her home with her father and was ordered to prepare 2 changes of clothing; [redacted] reported the plan was to transport her to the drug dealer. [redacted] reported witnessing the exchange of a suitcase full of money to her father when she was then grabbed by the 3 men. [redacted] was then tied up and placed into a van. [redacted] reports having images of her mother crying and is currently worried about her mother's safety. [redacted] reported that her father sold her because she was a virgin. During the ride to the "Narco's" home, [redacted] reported crying uncontrollably and pleading for her life. During a bathroom stop, she reported that 2 of the men got off of the vehicle, and she was released by the driver of the vehicle, unbeknownst to the other men. She stated the man that released her told her he had daughters and would not want them to suffer like she was suffering. [redacted] reported grabbing her suitcase and ran as hard as she could to get away. [redacted] reported traveling to [redacted] MX where she was detained by immigration and deported back to Guatemala. While she was with immigration in Mexico, she reported being able to obtain her aunt's friend's contact information who then provided her with money. After arriving in Guatemala, she traveled once more to the US in fear for her life and crossed into the US through the Rio Grande. [redacted] reported that her potential sponsor is married to her paternal uncle who resides in Maryland; she reports maintaining contact with them throughout her journey. [redacted] reports that she does not want for her father to know her whereabouts. [redacted] is afraid for her mother's safety, and reports wanting to speak with her mother.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Center

**Date of the Incident:** 6/8/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/8/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC [redacted] was displaying inappropriate sexual behavior towards female staff. UAC was standing at his door with his hands on the window in the shape of a diamond. UAC [redacted] was licking the window between his hands as he was looking towards a female staff member on the pod. UAC [redacted]

was verbally redirected by staff for inappropriate sexual behavior. UAC continued to grin and laugh, while his body was moving up and down against the door. UAC continued to be verbally redirected by staff for disruptive behavior and inappropriate sexual behavior towards staff. UAC remained in his room without further incident.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** IES Los Fresnos

**Date of the Incident:** 6/9/14

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/9/14

**UAC:**

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported during her journey to the U.S. while in Mexico a guide touched her buttock on top of her clothes several times.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Brownsville SS

**Date of the Incident:** 6/8/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/9/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

While youths were forming a line to go get their snack in the cafeteria, according to staff YCW "Youth was doing a sexual dance moving his hips back and forth [in front of youth and he started getting closer to youth " Staff who was on a one to one with redirected youth immediately to stop dancing like that [thrusting his hips back and forth] and to form a line. Youth just stared at youth and suddenly punched in the face. Youth bent down as soon as he received the punch from youth C. Staff got in the middle of both youth and asked if he was ok. As soon as youth picked up his head [he became very upset] and walked toward youth saying "ora si no sabes con quien te metes te voy a dar pija te voy a dar unos vergasos." Youth walked back and stated "ya fue mucho pedo tuyo" youth tried to pass staff and and staff performed the CPI "child control position" for about 30 seconds and escorted youth to his room to calm himself down. was taken to the SWK medical department to be examined.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Cayuga Centers

**Date of the Incident:** 6/7/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/9/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC reported to clinician that foster parent hit her with UAC's belt on her arm. UAC showed arm to clinician and said that such hitting left her a mark but that she "did not have it anymore", she pointed out. She restated she did not like foster parent because she was not enough affectionate to her. Clinician validated UAC's disclosures, reassured the inappropriateness of the incident and told UAC she would follow up with relatives. UAC's cousin ) also reported same incident to Case Manager, in addition to foster parent's inadequate disciplining methods, such as using threats and manipulation regarding removing privileges from UAC's brother , or utilizing differential reinforcements with the kids in an attempt to alter kids' behavior. In a conversation between UAC's brother and clinician, he confirmed UAC's disclosures about foster parent's parenting mismanagement.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Fairfield

**Date of the Incident:** 6/9/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/9/14

**Summary of SIR:**

approached Direct Care Staff and asked to speak with him regarding another minor's inappropriate comments. When asked to describe the incident, abruptly changed the topic and stated "creo que me estoy enamorando de ti" which translates to "I think am falling in love with you". On the previous night made a similar

comment during a conversation with [redacted] Program Director. As [redacted] was departing, [redacted] said something along the lines of, "I miss you; you are the light in my night".

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 6/9/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/9/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC reported in May 2012, during UAC's 5th month of pregnancy, [redacted] (UAC's ex-boyfriend) began to become aggressive when speaking with UAC and become intoxicated. UAC reported [redacted] raped once her in May 2012 when he arrived home intoxicated. UAC denied physical harm. UAC stated in May 2012, during UAC's 5th month of pregnancy, she had suicidal thoughts. UAC stated she had no intention of committing suicide or harming herself. UAC stated she used prayer and visualizing her life with child as motivation to not commit suicide. Clinician completed UAC denied current thoughts of suicide.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Presidente

**Date of the Incident:** 6/9/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/10/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client alleges she was sexually molested throughout her journey towards the USA by the "guide". Client voiced the "guide" touched her chest, back and buttocks almost every day while they were traveling. Client stated the "guide" also exposed his genital area one time. Client voiced the "guide" ask her to perform sexual acts in exchange of money but she did not accept. Client stated the events happened while she was traveling through Mexico.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Casa Houston

**Date of the Incident:** 6/9/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/10/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

On Monday, June 9, 2014, the following was written in an incident report by [redacted] for minor [redacted] and her peers, [redacted] and [redacted] "Minor approached me and stated that it is known on the floor by minors that [redacted] and [redacted] are "boyfriend, girlfriend" and that on Saturday afternoon after last snack at 6:30 pm in classroom 3 they were sitting together in the classroom and [redacted] was touching [redacted] on her legs. Minor stated staff did not observe and she did not tell anyone until today. I asked her why she did not say anything sooner and she stated she did not know but that she continues to see them sitting together in classroom and cafeteria all the time and thought she should say something. I thanked minor for doing so and informed her never to be afraid and that staff is always here to assist. Minor understood."

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Cardinal McCloskey

**Date of the Incident:** 6/1/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/10/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth reported she was raped by four different men two years ago on a failed attempt to enter the United States. Youth tagged along with her brother whose trip was paid for by the maternal uncle who resides in the US. When youth arrived at the border in Mexico prior to the cross over into the US, the uncle didn't have the money to pay for youth and her brother to cross over. Since the trip was only planned for youth's brother, the uncle paid for the brother and asked the coyote to return her to home country. Youth then reports she was taken to a house with three men and was left by the coyote and said he would return for her. Youth explained she spent over a month and a half in the home and was raped and forced to sexual things to the men. Youth states the coyote also made her preform sexual act with him and made two trips back to home country before picking her up and returning her to El Salvador.

**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Cayuga Centers

**Date of the Incident:** 5/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 5/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor asked me, \_\_\_\_\_, if I knew the definition of the word “Pendejo” and it’s significant use in a conversation. I explained to the minor that the word was offensive in nature and that he shouldn’t use it. I then inquired why the minor was asking, to which he responded: “Por que Lex me llamo un pendejo ayer”. I asked the minor to elaborate further about the incident and he explained that while en route to the clinic with the afore mentioned staff and other minors in an agency vehicle he informed said staff of his reservations regarding being vaccinated and requested to be returned to class. The minor then states that the staff said: “No seas pendejo”. The minor states that he did not understand the word but took it to be an offensive verbal attack. He states that the other minors in the vehicle began laughing at him, to which he responded by saying “Tu eres la pendeja”.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Bokenkamp

**Date of the Incident:** 5/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ disclosed that during her 7 day stay with immigration, in \_\_\_\_\_ Texas, she witnessed and also experienced an immigration officer conduct himself inappropriately towards her. UAC \_\_\_\_\_ stated when she arrived she witnessed the immigration officer place his hand in between the pants and stomach of another female minor and was being verbally inappropriate making a comment about her physical appearance. UAC \_\_\_\_\_ stated a few days later, the immigration officer touched her thigh in an inappropriate manner and with a forceful gesture she moved his hand away. UAC \_\_\_\_\_ stated that she did not report this incident to any officials in the building. UAC \_\_\_\_\_ could not recall any information regarding the officers physical appearance nor could she remember the time or day that these events occurred.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** KidsPeace

**Date of the Incident:** 6/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC reported that he came to the USA because gang members were forcing him to deliver Marijuana. Gang members threatened to hurt UAC and a friend of his if he refused to do it. He decided to make the delivery because he thought that it would be one time deal, however, after the first delivery was done, gang members told him that he was "already part of the gang " and he needed to continue making the delivery of drugs if he wanted to avoid being beat up. UAC stated that he decided to come to the USA because "he wanted to have a normal life"

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Friends of Youth

**Date of the Incident:** 6/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/13/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

During individual session resident MM informed this writer that \_\_\_\_\_ has made inappropriate sexual comments to him. He reports that when he was walking down the hallway in the house \_\_\_\_\_ told him, “te voy a hechar gasolina” or “I am going to pump gasoline in you”. According to resident MM, \_\_\_\_\_ comment was suggesting he wanted to perform anal penetration on him.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Friends of Youth

**Date of the Incident:** 6/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

asked to speak to staff and during this conversation reported that he continues to have romantic feeling towards staff This is the second time in two weeks that has reported this.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Cayuga Centers

**Date of the Incident:** 6/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC's 10 year-old sibling reported to both Case Manager and Clinician that on 06/12/2014, foster parent hit UAC with her open hand on UAC's hand because UAC did not want to seat still and watch TV. When Clinician asked UAC, she confirmed. In addition, UAC's sibling said that foster had previously hit UAC on her head with the hand because she was being fidgety, although she was not able to specify the exact date. UAC's sibling explained that the first time it happened she was afraid to report it. UAC's sibling also wrote a letter on her notebook asking the Clinician to tell the Case Manager about the incident. Clinician asked the children about their feelings towards returning to foster home and both of them said they did not want to go back.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** IES Driscoll

**Date of the Incident:** 6/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the Admission Assessment, resident disclosed to clinician that a possible sexual assault in May 2014 while detained by border patrol. Minor reported he believed to have been sexually assaulted by another UAC named while detained at the first border patrol station after being apprehended on June 1st in Rio Texas. Minor stated that made several sexual advances to him such as stating "vamos" and "dame un beso". Minor stated on one occasion asked him if he had ever been with another male. Minor stated he declined sexual advances each time. Minor also stated he was moved into another cell alongside 4 other older UAC and in which was placed shortly after. Minor states while he layed down, would place his leg on minor's body and minor would brush it away. Minor states he fell asleep beside He also reports when he awoke the next morning his pants were unbuttoned and his zipper was down. He mentioned asked him "Te gusto?" and proceeded to state "Estabas bien rico". Minor denied being able to recall any events of the night before but added the other UACs confirmed allegations. Minor admitted he felt sore from his rectal area and reported when he went to the restroom he noticed blood running down his leg. He confirmed the blood was from his rectal area. He denied reporting incident to anyone because he was told by border patrol not to ask so many questions or talk. He also admitted he was afraid of Minor states was taken out of the cell a few days later and currently denies knowing his whereabouts. However, resident reported the possible sexual assault incident to assigned clinician out of concern of coming in contact with while at IES-Driscoll.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Casa Houston

**Date of the Incident:** 6/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On June 13, 2014 during individual counseling session, who is 11 years old, reported that a female peer had touched her inappropriately two days ago as they were in line walking to the cafeteria. According to her peer, who is 10 years old, touched her rear end with an open hand. Client stated this type of incident had occurred on at least two other occasions within the past two weeks. stated that she does not feel threatened by her peer, but she felt uncomfortable with that type of contact. Additionally, reported that this same peer had opened the restroom door as she was showering. reported that her peer was probably not aware that she was bathing, and she stated that her peer did not



see her without her clothing. reported that her peer is her best friend and she does not feel threatened by her, but she did not feel comfortable with that type of physical contact.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Lackland AFB

**Date of the Incident:** 6/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

admitted to having made sexual gestures towards UAC stated he was "joking" with when he pulled his shorts up towards his waist revealing private areas. DCS informed that while addressing his behaviors, only spoke to her while grabbing his genitals. DCS additionally reported that and were thrusting their erections at each other while laughing, continuing the behavior even after she called their attention.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Palmas

**Date of the Incident:** 6/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client reported to clinician that during her journey from El Salvador to Mexico, her guide left her in a warehouse in Mexico with his boss, a 'narco,' and a group of other guides. Client reports this occurred about 1 month ago and that she was in the warehouse for a week and half. Client does not know why she was left there and asked to continue with her group, but her guide said that she had to say. Client stated the warehouse was used a location for guides and narcos to drink, smoke, and meet with the boss. While client was there, she was not given food or phone calls and was unable to sleep due to being afraid. Twice she went to the nearby river used for crossing immigrants and was told to observe so she could someday be a guide. When client was not at the river, she spent her time inside crying or hitting her head against a wall hoping to kill herself. Client reported that her guide's boss came into the warehouse often and while he was there he kissed her, groped/bit her chest, or pinched her legs. Client has several small bruises on her legs that are still visible and showed them to clinician. Client stated the guide's boss also put a gun to her head and told her to stop crying or that he would kill her. Client reported they also threatened to kill her entire family, but denied that they knew any information about her family in El Salvador. One day, her guide's boss came to the warehouse and had two men hold her hands back while he raped her. Client states she was raped three times that day by the guide's boss and was told that she was his 'mujer' (woman). Client stated the guide's boss is the only one who touched/raped her. After a week and half in the warehouse, client was told that she could leave. Client crossed the river alone and shortly after, an immigration helicopter apprehended her and took her to an immigration holding facility. Client was noted to be tearful and sad when she recounted the story. Client said that when she is left alone, she starts feeling afraid and thinking of the man who raped her and wants to kill herself so she can be with God. Client said that if she wanted to kill herself, she could use any available object to asphyxiate herself. Client denies any current intent to kill herself because she is not alone and feels supported and safe in the shelter environment. Client reports one previous suicide attempt 1 year ago; client took a blade and cut her wrist due to being bullied in her school. Client reports severe sleep disturbances, stating that she is unable to sleep because she thinks of the man who raped her or that when she does fall asleep, she has nightmares about what happened in the warehouse. Client reports appetite disturbances and states that last night was the first time she ate in almost 2 weeks. Client finished half of her breakfast on 6/14/14 while speaking with clinician and finished most of her lunch on 6/14/14 while speaking with clinician. Client reports having 'ataques de nervios' (anxiety attacks) as well, with the last attack occurring last night in the shelter. Client describes these attacks as several minutes when she cannot breathe, begins shaking, sweating, crying, feels dizzy, and is unable to think straight. Client reports she had these attacks several times a day while in the warehouse and also while in immigration. Client denies having any anxiety attacks today, 6/14/14. Client states she also experienced flashbacks while in the immigration facility and thought that she was back in the warehouse with the narcos/guides. Client denies experiencing any flashbacks today, 6/14/14. Client reports a generalized fear of all men right now but denies being afraid of any particular male in the shelter.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Seton Home

**Date of the Incident:** 6/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Resident accompanied YCW to Walmart. YCW was within ratio guidelines by taking 4 residents with her to store. Upon paying, YCW and residents stopped to look at movies in a Redbox kiosk. [redacted] was standing directly behind [redacted]. Other resident called attention of [redacted] when [redacted] turned back around Daisy was gone from area. Residents and [redacted] searched the immediate perimeter of area; [redacted] was nowhere to be found. Shelter Supervisor [redacted] was contacted immediately. Constable at Walmart door was notified, and [redacted] instructed [redacted] to check restrooms and ask Customer Service to make a Code ADAM report. Residents and YCW checked restrooms and returned to the exit nearest to where [redacted] was last seen. Constable approached [redacted] and reported that a man had let the Constable know that a pregnant girl had come up to he and his wife, given them a note saying she was being held against her will, and then took off running across the parking lot into a field. This same man was already on the phone with SAPD by that time. Two SAPD units arrived to the scene and began the investigation. [redacted] was contacted to confirm the release of [redacted] information. YCW arrived to take the other residents back to cottage. One SAPD unit went to check perimeter of Walmart for resident; second unit followed [redacted] to Seton Home to retrieve [redacted] information for Missing Persons report. SAPD was given description of [redacted] her full name, A#, DOB, POB, and basic med info. Law enforcement was notified that she is under ORR care. Program director was contacted and case manager, VP of Programs, ICE, FFS, and PO were all informed of incident. Hotline call to CPS and SIR were submitted to required individuals on 6/14/14.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Alexis Cohen

June 15 – June 21, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **1**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **10**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **13**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **1**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **2**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **4**
- Other: **0**

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**Total Number of major SIR: 31 ; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 893 ; Number of SIRs for FY14: 16,110**

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Casa Houston

**Date of the Incident:** 6/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Peer reported that he had been subjected to bullying by [redacted]. Peer stated that [redacted] has been making fun of the way peer talks and peers mannerisms. Peer stated that he does not feel comfortable being around [redacted] or sharing a bedroom with him. While completing bedtime hygiene on the night of June 12, peer stated that [redacted] attempted to pull down his pants. Peer was changing his t-shirt and Jose came up from behind him, and then tried to pull down his sweat pants. Peer was able to prevent his pants from coming down. Peer reported that he felt uncomfortable when Jose attempted to pull down his pants. Peer feels as if [redacted] has been attempting to intimidate him and other minors in the program. [redacted] has had escalation of behavior during his stay at SWK. This same peer stated that he witnessed Jose trying to intimidate another peer in the program. Peer stated that he attempted to intimidate the peer into giving [redacted] his French fries. This peer stated that [redacted] is telling other clients in the shelter that he was affiliated with a gang in Honduras.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 6/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

[redacted] reported working at age 14 to help pay for her sister's medical expenses. [redacted] traveled to [redacted] Mexico with her cousin to find employment. [redacted] and her cousin worked as housekeepers for a woman named [redacted]. She reports they worked and lived in this women's home for two months. [redacted] states she was verbally abused and mistreated by this woman. She states she was forced to work and was not allowed to go outside or leave the home. [redacted] was not allowed to make phone calls or contact her family. [redacted] reports she was provided with small amounts of food and was told she could not eat until she finished all of her chores. [redacted] reports she did not return to the women's home, after she was given permission to visit her family. [redacted] also reported that a coyote attempted to sexually assault her during her journey to the U.S. She reports the coyote was hired to guide her to the U.S. She reports the incident occurred after crossing the Rio Grande River. An unknown individual helped [redacted] and she was able to get away. She denies physical harm.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Lackland AFB

**Date of the Incident:** 6/12/14

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/15/14

**UAC:**

**Summary of SIR:**

[redacted] was accused of slapping a peer's buttocks on a consistent basis and calling him names. [redacted] denies accusations.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** CH Poughkeepsie

**Date of the Incident:** 5/1/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

reports that she spent one month in a "safe house" in Texas that she was taken to by her coyote. She went there with her sister, who was traveling with her. She does not remember the name of the town in Texas. While staying there, she experienced sexual abuse on one occasion. While sleeping, another boarder in the safe house entered her room and touched her private parts forcibly. She immediately notified the coyote and he kicked this man out of the house. It did not occur again.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Antigua

**Date of the Incident:** 6/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth disclosed yesterday after 5 PM he was a coyote for the past two years. He is from Mexico. He stated he would get paid \$100-\$200 per person that he crossed over. Youth stated he only crossed adults. Not children or minors. He stated he did not know anyone in shelter and did not have any intentions of escaping from our facility. He added he was recruited between the ages of 13 and 14 by an older man in his neighborhood (which happens often). He stated his mother and father needed a better life and that was a job that paid good money. For the past couple months he wanted to get out of being a coyote but he couldn't because they needed him to work. Youth stated his employer would come over with a paddle with holes, whenever he rejected a job. He said a few times he was hit on his buttocks which left him bruised. So he would just do the job to avoid the consequences. Youth stated he did not fear for his life, neither his families. Youth stated he is not of any harm, has no criminal record, and hopes to reunify with his uncle and aunt that reside in Mission, Texas. Where he hopes to continue his education and find employment.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 6/2/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/16/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Lead Clinician spoke with FFS Jill Volovar on 6/3/14 to update FFS on allegations by UAC. As per FFS recommendations, lead clinician to call DCF abuse hotline and add the address of South West Keys to the report to see if they would reconsider accepting the report. Lead Clinician called DCF abuse hot line and spoke with operator and added address of South West in Houston. However, call was still not accepted due to minor providing limit information and not clarifying the relationship of "girlfriend". Lead Clinician, spoke with 1:1 technician this morning to get an update on any new development on the report about girlfriend relationship with the Staff member from previous placement. MHT reported that in conversation with she gave her a last name of and reported she was her 1:1, 3 days of the week. She described her as being short with red hair. However, did not provide information of the extent of their relationship. called the abuse hotline with the additional information of the last name of the prior staff person. Hotline counselor was call was not accepted.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Selma Carson Home

**Date of the Incident:** 5/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported being arrested as he was caught serving as guard for unknown gang members. Minor related that gangs recruited him to be a guard and watch for police activity in his assigned sector and report back to them via walky-talkies. He did this job for three months. Prior to being incarcerated, minor reported that the police kidnapped him for one day. He was apprehended on May 19, 2010 at 12:30pm where he was tortured and then placed in jail until the next day at 6:30pm. Minor was kicked, slapped, punched, threatened to be raped, threatened to be dropped in the river (minor does not know how to swim), and threatened with guns on his face for being a gang guard. Food and water was not provided.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 6/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

It was reported to on-call staff over the weekend there were reports that said minor was attempting to touch other children, over their clothing, in the home (ages range from 7yrs to 10 yrs. mentioned minor 10 yrs. old same age range). Other children in the home reported that [redacted] tried to place one child's head near his penis area, and then it was also reported that [redacted] tried to place a child's hand on his penis area. As a result foster parent increased supervision and rearranged sleeping arrangements placing this child in his own room. Foster parent addressed the inappropriate horseplay/boundaries with all children in the home. The minor was remorseful and ashamed of his behaviors. Yesterday Foster parent reported that this incident of inappropriate boundaries resulted in another child in the home disclosing he was sexually abused in home country (this SIR will be completed by clinician [redacted] and will be reported to CPS hotline). As a result of this disclosure and due to foster parents' request, we removed the child, [redacted] to another foster home where he can be placed in his own room and have increased supervision.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Friends of Youth

**Date of the Incident:** 6/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/17/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

Resident [redacted] approached DCS [redacted] after class to tell her that [redacted] and Resident [redacted] were exchanging sexual gestures and telling each other to "enseñame" (show me). Resident [redacted] met with CPM [redacted] to follow up on report to DCS [redacted] and he reported that [redacted] continuously turned around and looked under the desk at Resident [redacted] crotch area. He reported that Resident [redacted] appeared to grab his crotch area and lift up his leg. Resident [redacted] reported that [redacted] is often making comments that appear to be flirtatious in nature and that he often attempts to break boundaries by standing very close to his peers. DCS [redacted] talked to Resident [redacted] and asked him if he or [redacted] were making any sexual gestures or talking inappropriately to each other during class and he replied that nothing happened and they did not talk during class. DCS [redacted] then followed up with [redacted] to ask if anything had occurred while in class. At first he said no but appeared to be upset. DCS [redacted] asked him if any inappropriate comments were made by him or anyone else. He responded that everyone makes fun of him. [redacted] then said that the guy wearing a black shirt (referring to Resident [redacted] calls him a doll and said that he was going to have sex with him when they were playing soccer. DCS [redacted] asked if Resident [redacted] had done anything inappropriate today in class and he said that he was licking his lips at him. DCS [redacted] asked [redacted] if he told staff about the comments made earlier while playing soccer and he said no.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Campbell

**Date of the Incident:** 6/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client disclosed to clinician, [redacted] during MHS interview, that she had been raped on or about March or April 2013 by an unknown male in her COO. Client reported that she was walking back from gathering firewood for her family's home and the unknown male assaulted and raped her. Client reported that she immediately reported this incident to the family. No report or charges were filed. As a result of the rape a pregnancy resulted and now client has an 8 month baby girl. Client did not express or display any dislike for her child. The clinician observed that there is love and good attachment between mother and baby. Client came to the US to improve her life and that of her baby. Mental Health: The client appears to be content to be at SWK and does not appear to be a danger to others or to self.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Youthcare

**Date of the Incident:** 6/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC reports that on his travel to the U.S. in [redacted] MX he was forced by unknown men into a car, he was then taken to [redacted] there he was forced to work. He put together make shift backpacks, filled these with drugs and food. Sometimes he was taken to the desert and forced to carry the backpacks and water jugs to several lookout points, manned by men associated with the individuals. UAC reports that when he was taken out of the work building a man with a gun always went with him. He reports that he was not paid, he was given 2 sparse meals a day and water. He reports that he was not sure if he would ever get out. He reports that he could not leave and feared that if he escaped he would be shot. UAC reports that he was afraid that he would be killed, because one time while out in the desert, one of the other kids who was being forced to do the same, became upset started to argue and deny wanting to do the work, the man with gun pulled it out and shot the kid dead in front of him. UAC became very afraid that he would be killed. He reports that he managed to escape from that place because local Mexican authorities raided the place and when everyone took off running, he and another youth ran as well. In total he reports he was held against his will for 30 days.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 6/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC was asked about her typical day when living in Guatemala. UAC reported that her father would force her to work in cocaine and "CANN" fields beginning at 4:00 a.m. through the evening and that she would then have to come home and cook dinner for her family. UAC verbalized feeling upset and resentful because her life had no meaning. UAC reported she would have to package marijuana leaves and cocaine milk from the cocaine flower during the night. She stated she was forced to sell drugs at least 1x weekly. UAC reported that if she refused to do the work, she would get hit by her father. UAC reported this activity started when she was age 10. After processing with her therapist, UAC's mood appeared to be stable. She was taken back to her unit without incident.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Brazoria County Youth Homes

**Date of the Incident:** 6/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/17/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

It was reported by staff that UAC touched another UAC (B.S.A.M) inappropriately on his private part. It was reported by staff that UAC touched another UAC (B.S.A.M) inappropriately on his private part.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Jameson Center TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 6/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

[redacted] has a medical condition and cognitive delays, resulting in her being sheltered in a foster home. The foster mother, [redacted] reported that she took [redacted] and three other children in her care to the swimming pool at the Knights of Columbus Center near her home on Thursday evening 6/12/2014. They were accompanied by her adult son, [redacted] and an adult uncle who was visiting another child in DCS custody. The group had ordered food from a snack bar at the pool. [redacted] and the other man were standing at a picnic table where the group was going to eat. [redacted] was the only person seated at the table. The foster parent was climbing out of the pool about four feet away from their table. [redacted] began blowing kisses at the two men. The first man she blew kisses to, told her no, not to do that. As he looked away, she turned to Mr. [redacted] and pointed towards him and then placed her own finger on her private parts. She repeated this gesture for a total of three times in approximately half a minute. He told her no, and moved away from her. He then reported to the foster mother what the child had done.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland International RC

**Date of the Incident:** 6/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

In the context of an initial clinical interview, the minor Josue reported that for approximately a year, he was obligated by MS-13 gang members to work for them under the threat of bodily harm. He reports that he was told to transport and sell drugs for the gang, and states that if he were to refuse, then they would become angry and threaten the minor with "13 segundos de golpiza" (thirteen seconds of a beating). He reports that on two occasions in the course of performing work for the gang. On the first occasion he was held in jail for three days for being found in possession of drugs. On the second occasion, he was arrested for having run away from the police when they stopped him to search him. He reports that in January of this year, he decided he no longer wanted to do work for the gang, and began speaking to his mother so that he may come to the U.S. He reports that he did not like doing the work for the gang, and during the course of the time he worked for the gang he experienced nightmares almost on a daily basis. While he was planning his journey to the U.S., he stayed in his house at all times, and hid when the gang members he worked for came to look for him. He stated that while he waited for his opportunity to depart for the U.S., he was unable to sleep. The minor reports that at the present time, he does not have difficulty sleeping, eating or concentrating throughout the day. He reports that as he is not in El Salvador, he feels safe, and looks forward to having a safe life in the U.S. He states that he is only concerned for his safety in El Salvador, and that he is not worried for his safety at the present time.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 6/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/18/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

During individual therapy session, and follow-up with minor in FH, minor reported that over the weekend, another minor in the home grabbed his hand and pulled it towards his private area, and told minor to touch him. Minor stated he never gave the other minor permission to grab him or touch him. Minor stated he pulled his hand away and moved away from other minor. Minor reported this was a one time incident, and that he felt uncomfortable and bad afterwards, but now feels better since minor is no longer in the FH. During individual therapy session, and follow-up with minor in FH, minor reported that over the weekend, another minor in the home grabbed his hand and pulled it towards his private area, and told minor to touch him. Minor stated he never gave the other minor permission to grab him or touch him. Minor stated he pulled his hand away and moved away from other minor. Minor reported this was a one time incident, and that he felt uncomfortable and bad afterwards, but now feels better since minor is no longer in the FH.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Hacienda del Sol

**Date of the Incident:** 6/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client reported to clinician that back in her COO, El Salvador, she was sexually assaulted. Client reported that last November she went to the store around noon and on her way back home from the store, she got forcefully grabbed from behind and covered her eyes. Client reports that that is all she remembers because the assaulter, who client does not report to know who he could have been, knock her out unconscious and the next thing she remembers is making it home somehow and telling her uncle and aunt what had happened. Client reported that they believed her but did not take her to the hospital to get checked up because it was too far. Short after that, they told her aunt, client's current sponsor and that is when her aunt decided to bring her to live with her in Houston, TX, where she is currently residing right now. As a result from that assault, client is currently pregnant.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Paso SS

**Date of the Incident:** 6/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reports that while walking on the street in [redacted] MX he was taken at gunpoint by an armed man who tied him up for three days in a truck with no food. After being tied up for three days he heard a verbal exchange in which the man offered him to members of the cartel in exchange for money so that he could work for them as a smuggler. Minor reported that he was then forced to work for the "[redacted]" under a man named [redacted] who worked under [redacted]

Minor reports that these people forced him to smuggle drugs across the border against his will for about two years. He reports that he lived on the streets during this time, but that they always had a close eye on him and did not allow him to leave the area and he was afraid to go to another area and be picked up by another cartel. He stated that sometimes his boss, [redacted] "gave him money to be able to feed himself, but he was not paid a regular salary for this work.

Minor reports that on his trips across the border he would try to surrender himself to border officials and was arrested a total of 16 times. He stated that he would be sent back across the bridge to [redacted] and that there a member of the cartel would be waiting for him and would alert his boss to pick him up. He stated that the cartel would pay the DIF guards to get their workers back. Minor reported that he felt that he had no way out this situation. He stated that he was beaten when he did not do his job well or when the other smugglers reported to the boss that [redacted] had turned himself in to immigration officials. He was told by the cartel that he owes them money because he lost drugs when he was smuggling for them and that because of information he gave to immigration officials about one of their sites which caused them to lose money. He does not know how much he supposedly owes them. He stated that during this time he had no contact with his family because his mother's friend, [redacted] had told him that the number changed and that she did not have the contact number. He also stated that he never wanted to tell the cartel that he had any family because he knew that other minor's families were threatened so that the minors would continue working. Minor always told the cartel members that he was abandoned and that he had no family, in order to protect his family. Minor reports having been abused by these people in the following ways: They tied him up on various occasions for up to a week at a time. They hit him, pushed him down and broke his tooth, and beat him on multiple occasions which left him swollen, bruised and scarred on his backside. Minor reported that he didn't go to the hospital after his beatings even though he was badly hurt because there are cartels informants working there. He reported that he simply sat in a bathtub of cold water to feel better. He reported that his last beating of this type was about two months ago (April 2014) in which he received 40 hits on the back side by a large wooden boat paddle with holes in it so that they could swing it faster and harder. Minor was seen by doctor at Madison School Based Health Center on 6/9/14 and it was found that minor does have bruising and scars on his backside. He stated that at one point the cartel locked him up in a house where people stayed while waiting to cross the border and made him clean the house and wash clothes. He stated that the house was guarded and that he was rarely allowed to leave the house and even when he left the house that they had people all over the city watching and he could not get away. Minor appeared very anxious and was emotional. He had some trouble answering questions due to being pressured and anxious, but was cooperative and expressed gratitude for being listened to. He reports being unsure who he can trust, but desperate for help. Minor reports that while enslaved by the cartel he thought of drinking bleach that he used to clean the house where they had him, but did not because he had a dream that told him not to give up and he did not want to hurt his family. He denies any current suicidal ideas, plans or intentions. Minor reports that while still in Mexico that he had some dreams about being beaten again by the cartel and that he felt like it was happening again and he could not protect himself. He denies that he currently has these dreams.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** 6/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During a meeting with clinician, [redacted] disclosed he was abused while in home country. [redacted] explained that from nine years of age until he was fifteen years old, he was bullied by local children. The minors mocked him and his father who was an alcoholic. The other children involved reportedly also physically assaulted him on occasions. When he was fifteen years old, after a work related job injury in his back, he was offered another job. He accepted the job but eventually did not wish to stay. When [redacted] tried to resign, he was held against his will and locked in a warehouse by himself. During the next six months he worked packing cartons onto trucks. He was paid \$100 each month. This amount was not agreed upon but rather determined by the people who held him. The minor reported he was also fed irregularly and assaulted if he showed any sign of discontent. The minor stated he became anemic. He was able to escape



six months into the ordeal but the people involved eventually located his family and tried to take him against his will. The minor had a suicide attempt that year, which was 2012.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** KidsPeace

**Date of the Incident:** 6/19/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/19/14

**Summary of SIR:**

CM met with UAC and disclosed that she was abused by her caretakers in home country (a church pastor and his wife) up until the time she traveled to the US. UAC and her brother went to live with the pastor's family because her grandmother became unable to take care of them and their uncles were not interested in caring for them any longer. There was a monetary agreement between the UAC's parents and the pastors; the pastor would care for the UACs and pay them to work if the parents paid 1400.00 to the pastor monthly. She stated that at first, the pastor treated her and her brother well but slowly began to become angry at the UACs and would start to hit them hard with his hand and with a belt. She also states that both she and her brother were working (her brother was working on the farm owned by the pastor and she was mainly working in the home cooking and cleaning), but they were not receiving any money. If they refused to work or were late for work, they would be scolded and beaten. She states that the pastor and his wife also abused their own children as well. UAC reports that the worst abuse occurred when the pastor hit her brother's arm so hard 4 times that he broke it, and was taken to the hospital for treatment. UACs both fear the pastor and his wife and fear having to return to their home country.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 6/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor alleged that she was sexually assaulted on her journey to the US. Minor reported that she was traveling by train and decided to fall asleep in one of the train boxes. Minor stated that suddenly a man put his hand over her mouth and proceeded to sexually assault her. Minor stated the man then left. Minor told a woman that was also traveling with her but stated that she has not told anyone else. Minor reports trouble sleeping, poor concentration, flashbacks, crying spells, headaches, and auditory hallucinations on two occasions.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Mercy First

**Date of the Incident:** 6/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported to Clinician, one of the boy's recently discharged from program had touched her buttocks twice while they were doing chores a few days ago. Mildred reported to not going to the field trip over the weekend because he wanted to sit next to her and she felt uncomfortable.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 6/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/19/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor, \_\_\_\_\_ stated to his peers while in the kitchen table that he would charge \$6,000 - \$8,000 per head to cross them over the border and turn them to immigration and they would not be turned into their home country. Direct Care Staff, \_\_\_\_\_ immediately redirected \_\_\_\_\_ and informed Shift Leader, \_\_\_\_\_ about the situation.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 5/31/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/20/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Update on the white powder that UAC snorted on 05/31/14 her drug screen was positive for TCAs (tricyclic antidepressants). Dr. [redacted] did literature review and found that, among other things, Seroquel can cause a false positive UDS result for TCAs. She was on Seroquel. As a result UAC has all medication in liquid form.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Fairfield

**Date of the Incident:** 6/19/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

[redacted] Direct Care Staff, received a UAC report alleging [redacted] exposed himself as he sat at his desk during the final hour of school.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** LSS MI

**Date of the Incident:** 6/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Therapist spoke with [redacted] today during session and stated that while traveling through Mexico several possible gang members attempted to kidnap him, but he was able to get away. However, the same gang found him just across the Mexico/U.S. boarder on the Mexican side and kidnapped him again. The minor reported that gang members, possibly los zetas, forced him to take marijuana across the border. Upon entering the United States the minor reported he was left alone in the desert. He eventually left the drugs beneath a rock and fled to a neighboring town, but he was unaware of the town name. He also reported the gang members threatened to kill him if he did not do as he was told.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Brownsville SS

**Date of the Incident:** 6/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed that he was forced to work as a foot guide in [redacted] Mexico in 2013. He was threatened with a wooden paddle that had 3 holes. On four different occasions, minor would refuse to work as a foot guide and was hit 10 to 15 times on his buttocks and the back of his knees when he tried to move. He stated that the man that hit him made him lower his pants and stood in his underwear before he got hit. The length of time he was forced to work as a foot guide was 1 year.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Shiloh RTC

**Date of the Incident:** 6/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client stated that peers [redacted] and [redacted] have touched his posterior/buttocks under the context of horse play/teasing. Client was complaining that his peers [redacted] and [redacted] tease and provoke him during horse play/teasing. Clinician discussed the incident with clinician thoroughly and client could not recall nor specify the date, nor the location of the horse play/teasing.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Selma Carson Home

**Date of the Incident:** 6/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed that in March 2014 he attempted to migrate to US with Cousin and when apprehended and return to [redacted] he was kidnapped and held captive for 3 months by local gang. Minor was forced to be a foot guide for gang.

Minor reported he purposely would get apprehended by Border Patrol but he was always returned to \_\_\_\_\_ where gang would be waiting for him at bridge. Minor reported they put gun to his head threaten to kill him and his family when he would refuse to work. Minor reported he almost drowned 3 times crossing the Rio Grande to men but they continued to force him to work. Minor was not able to escape and was scared to tell Border Patrol or ICE in fear of his family being killed.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 6/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/21/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported he traveled to \_\_\_\_\_, Mexico alone. He spent 1 week in \_\_\_\_\_ sleeping outside because he did not have any money. Minor reported he intended to find other people trying to go to the US, and travel with them. While in \_\_\_\_\_ he was approached by a "guide" who brought the minor to meet with people he referred as the "mafia". The men told the minor, he would help the men by bring marijuana in a bag across the border into the US. Minor explained there were approximately 20 members of the group present and they all were carrying guns and were circled around the minor. He explained he did not feel he had an option to refuse participating because of the guns and because he did not have any other way to cross the border. Minor said he was promised \$1200 if he crossed the border with the marijuana. Minor reported he was given a bag with marijuana, which he carried on his back. Minor was driven close to the border by the guide and then he and 8 other people (also carrying bags) went with the guide across the border to the US. Minor reported his guide warned him about video cameras placed in the desert to catch illegal immigrants. Minor said while evading a camera, he separated from his group accidentally. Minor said when he was away from the guide he left the bag on marijuana in the desert and continued to walk. Minor reported he did not receive any payment, because he did not complete the task and became separated from his guide. Minor continued to walk in the desert by himself for the next 12 hours, and was then found by US immigration officers. Clinician provided a clinical assessment and a safety evaluation. Minor reported he felt safe within the program and stated the "criminals" did not know where he or his family lived. Minor presents with healthy and adaptive coping skills and appears to be working on his adjustment into the program.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 6/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 6/21/14

**Summary of SIR:**

In the context of an initial psychiatric evaluation, the minor \_\_\_\_\_ reported that while on his journey to the U.S., he was kidnapped. Minor reports that he left home approximately 7 months ago. Minor traveled by bus from Honduras to Guatemala. Minor has some issues with the immigration in Guatemala. He was traveling with his uncle, who was threatened by the same people that threatened minor, and they chose a different route to take to get around immigration. Minor crossed the mountains on foot and on the other side continued by bus. Minor continued on bus through Mexico to \_\_\_\_\_. In \_\_\_\_\_ his uncle left him and returned to home county after a concerning call to his wife. Uncle's wife reported that they too were being threatened, and uncle returned to take care of his family. Minor received more money in from his mother, per wire transfer. Minor continued alone by bus through Mexico. Minor arrived in \_\_\_\_\_ and paid for a hotel. Minor was in the hotel for 3 days and called his mother frequently to see if she could send more money so that he could cross. During the 3 day minor left the hotel to find food. As he was crossing the street a car stopped in front of him and 2 men got out. One man asked minor who his coyote was, when minor could not identify one he was herded into the back of the car at gunpoint. Minor traveled a half hour and arrived at a house where approximately 80 other immigrants were being held. Minor was interviewed to ask if he had any money. Minor stated that he had no money and that he arrived by waiting for wire transfers from his mother along the way. The kidnapers told him that he would have to call his mother and ask for her to send more money in order to grant his freedom. He was included on a call to his mother that was cut off when the kidnapers gave instructions for mother to send money. Minor waited 20 days before he was asked to call again and ask his mother for money once more. His mother told him that she still did not have money to send. At that point the kidnapers said that too much time had passed. Approximately 2 months passed in total. In the end, minor had only one option according to the kidnapers to take a bag/backpack across the border for them. There were 12 people that were given the same option. All 12 left the home at the same time and crossed into the US with a bag that they were given. Minor denies knowing what was in the bag. Minor was told to carry the bag to \_\_\_\_\_ TX and there it would be

transported to Houston. Minor crossed into US territory and walked 10 minutes from the riverfront. At that point immigration caught and detained him. Prior to being caught minor tossed the bag into the brush. Minor states that this was the 7th and final time he had tried to cross into the US. The first 6 times he was unsuccessful. Over the course of his captivity, the minor reports that he was fed only once a day, and witnessed two individuals be beaten for reasons he was unsure of. He denies experiencing any physical assault or harm while he was in his captivity.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Alexis Cohen

July 13 – July 19, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: 0
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: 12
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: 7
- Possession/Use of Drugs: 1
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: 4
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: 7
- Other: 0

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**Total Number of major SIR: 31 ; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 1,056 ; Number of SIRs for FY13: 18,541**

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland Casa Guadalupe 1

**Date of the Incident:** 07/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/13/14

#### Summary of SIR:

After being informed about an altercation between participant [redacted] and participant [redacted] from case manager JW, clinician [redacted] met with minor to discuss the incident. The minor reported that when he thought participant [redacted] called him a "princesa," the minor [redacted] told "callate." The minor reported that minor [redacted] got upset and punched the minor in the chest with a closed fist and then the minor pushed [redacted]. The minor reported that after that he proceeded to move to a different couch in the milieau as minor [redacted] tripped him and the minor [redacted] fell onto the couch. The minor reported that when minor [redacted] tripped him, he got upset and slapped the minor's [redacted] back with an open hand. Per minor, that is when case manager [redacted] entered the area and asked the participants about what was happening. Clinician [redacted] spoke with minor [redacted] and he stated that minor [redacted] got upset with him when the minor thought that [redacted] called him the name "versh." Minor [redacted] denied calling the minor the name. Per [redacted] the minor [redacted] grabbed his private parts with his hand and said "comete." Both participants were fully clothed at the time of the incident. The minor [redacted] stated that this was not the first time that the minor [redacted] grabbed his private parts; per minor the first time occurred during the minor's [redacted] first day in the program when the minor [redacted] grabbed his private parts while outside and asked "te gustas?" The minor also stated that the minor [redacted] had also touched the minor's [redacted] buttocks the first day and also that he witnessed minor [redacted] touching the buttocks of another participant. Then, the minor [redacted] reported that he was singing a song that had the word "princesa" in it and per minor [redacted] the minor [redacted] thought that [redacted] was calling the minor "princesa." The minor denied calling the minor "princesa" and he stated that he put his fist on the minor's chest and told him that he's not going to fight him in this house. Per [redacted] the minor Maikyn then hit [redacted] in the chest with a closed fist and as minor [redacted] was walking away, the minor [redacted] also slapped the minor's [redacted] back. Per [redacted] it was at this moment that case manager [redacted] entered the area and asked both participants what was happening. Clinician [redacted] followed up with the minor [redacted] and asked him if he had ever grabbed his private parts in front of any of the other participants and the minor [redacted] reported that he did grab his private parts on 7/12/2014 in front of participant [redacted] but denied saying anything to him. The minor [redacted] also denied grabbing his private parts in front of other participants during any other times in the program. The minor [redacted] reported that he did touch the buttocks of the participants but that he was just playing.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Shiloh RTC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/13/14

#### Summary of SIR:

[redacted] woke up at 4:00 am and started to get dressed. [redacted] than began to exhibit bizarre behaviors like singing, praying, and touching his penis. Staff immediately redirected [redacted] to refrain from his inappropriate sexual behaviors. [redacted] would be calm after staff counseled him for a moment and then began using profanity at staff the next moment. [redacted] began to talk about the devil, gangs in El Salvador, and [redacted] continuously would talk to staff about the devil and staff would

redirect thoughts and asked what they could do to help him calm down attempted several times to touch staffs genital area. Staff immediately prompted to move to a different assigned area because of his disruptive and inappropriate sexual behaviors. Staff did not want to continue to disrupt his peers and wake them up. Staff used body and touch control several times to prompt to a different area. No injuries reported. s being monitored on a one-to-one level of supervision.

10:30 AM: remained agitated and persistent with hallucinations and bizarre behavior. will be assessed by nurse.

3:37 PM: While watching soccer on TV, began putting all of his clothing in a brown paper bag. Staff asked what he was doing and he stated that he was getting ready to go back to El Salvador. Staff continued to counsel and he continued to pace around his room agitated at staff. Staff offered alternative activities to focus his thoughts on something different, and refused and continued to obsess on returning to El Salvador. Staff is monitoring Jose on a one-to-one level of supervision.

5:00 PM: While monitoring and counseling Jose closely, he continued to pace around his assigned area and began making bizarre statements like "I can talk to people with my mind" and "I can fly with my arms to different places." disclosed to staff that he was having visual hallucinations and auditory hallucinations in his head. Staff continued to monitor and counsel . than began to talk and wave to the TV. Staff prompted Jose and asked what he was doing and replied, "The people on TV are speaking and waving to me." Staff continued monitoring on a one-to-one level of supervision.

6:35 PM Throughout the afternoon displayed bizarre behaviors and is now exhibiting hyperactivity by sitting and standing frequently. Staff directed client to sit down and calm down. complies with staff directives, but then immediately afterwards stood up dancing and making bizarre statements. Staff offered alternative activities like listening to music, watching a TV show, or playing a game. said yes to all the activities, but does not do any of them for more than a few seconds. then engaged in inappropriate sexual behavior and exposed his penis in front of staff. Staff immediately redirected and prompted to refrain from inappropriate and bizarre behaviors. than began to put another pair of underwear on top of his shorts and attempted to touch staff. Staff counseled and prompted to calm down and stay on task. than began to sing and pray out loud. Staff continued monitoring on a one-to-one level of supervision.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 07/12/14

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/13/14

**UAC:**

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

care was completing paper work and checking up with Alpha dorm room #2, she was called in by client who reported that peer had jumped on him in his bed and made sexual movements while he laying in his bed (humping motion). Both clients were fully clothed. It was reported that contact was only seconds due to Client reporting that he defended himself by kicking peer off of him. Client states jumped back at him, kicking and punching him, hurting his left pinky. states he stood in front of as if ready to fight. then told him, "no sabes con quien te metes" meaning you don't know who you're messing with" and "a mi se me mete el diablo" meaning "the devil gets inside me." As was explaining to staff what had happened, interrupted peer stating that was lying. Client stated that he was trying to call over direct care but his peers insisted he shouldn't. At this point shift lead arrived and he separated the clients into separate bedrooms. APD followed up with client Orlando about the incident. Client reported that his peer has had problems with all his roommates' in the room since they originally roomed together at Charlie dorm. All the clients involved in the incident are 13 years of age. When asked if he felt he was being picked on or if he was being targeted, client reported "no" and explained that his peer picks on others too. APD asked if he felt harassed by his peer and client said "no". APD explained to the client that in case any other issues arise to please inform the staff right away; he should not feel threatened or picked on by any other peer. All clients will remain separated in different rooms and staff will have to provide higher, vigilant supervision at all times.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Youth for Tomorrow

**Date of the Incident:** 07/12/14 **UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During individual session with Dr. , reported that he was sexually abused by a man who posed as a woman. The individual kissed and hug , but when realized that the individual was a man, tried to stop. The individual forced himself onto and made him touch his private areas against his will. told the individual to stop multiple times but he did not. managed to get away after he pushed the individual away from him. This incident happened in Mexico at a home where he was seeking for shelter.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Lemon Grove

**Date of the Incident:** 07/04/14 **UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/11/14

**Summary of SIR:**

According to minor, while she was coming to the USA, she was raped in She explained that she was in a Hotel very tired after traveled all day. The last thing she remembers is that her pants were down till the knees. Minor does not remember who and how if were just one or several. This clinician made a CPS and SIR. This clinician will work and assisted minor with this trauma/ event.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** IES Hidalgo Foster

**Date of the Incident:** 07/14/14 **UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 7/14/14, the assigned clinician met with age 15, to complete the initial assessment questionnaire. When the child was asked if she was pregnant, the child disclosed that she is 8 months pregnant. She further stated that her unborn child's biological father, is 19 years old and lives in Guatemala.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Mesa

**Date of the Incident:** 07/08/14 **UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/14/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

During counseling session on 07/13/2014 client disclosed to clinician that on the night of 07/08/2014 client SCC exposed himself while positioned on his knees on one of the top beds of dorm # 2 located in C Area of shelter. Client also stated client SCC was probably masturbating while exposing but he is not completely certain about it.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Mesa Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 07/14/14 **UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client reported that had been displaying inappropriate sexual behavior during bedtime. According to peer, client was touching himself while kneeling on the bed instead of doing this privately. Client stated that most of the clients in the room witnessed this event. Later, this Clinician, and Shift Manager, met with to discuss the incident. Client denied having done this. Per client, he knows he is supposed to be doing this in private and that he would not expose his genitals to other clients.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/11/14 **UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

In the context of clinical session minor disclosed she was sexually assaulted on three different occasions during her journey to the U.S. Minor shared she was assaulted by the guide who was hired to facilitate her and her younger brother's travel. Minor reported the guide told her she was part of the Mara 18 (gang) and threatened to kill her brother and mother if she refused, struggled, or denounced him to authorities. Minor explained she feared for the safety of her family. Minor explained once detained she informed ICE of what occurred. Minor was provided a clinical assessment and reassured of her safety while in the shelter. Clinician evaluated minor's general functioning and mental status. Clinician noted the minor presents adaptive coping skills. Minor reported appropriate distress about the past assault experiences at this time, and denied current suicidal ideation, plan or attempt. Counseling will continue to be provided in order to reinforce adaptive functioning.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Tumbleweed

**Date of the Incident:** 07/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

was watching inappropriate videos with sexual content on the household computer.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Sol

**Date of the Incident:** 07/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

is a 16 years old female client from Guatemala that has been under Southwest Key custody since 7/11/2014. On 7/14/2014 as part of her initial health screening client had a urine pregnancy test done. Results were positive indicating that the client is pregnant. The client stated becoming pregnant as a result of a sexual abuse

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** LSS Foster El Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 12/01/13

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Clinician met with the UMC this morning at University Medical Center (UMC). UAC disclosed she was sexually assaulted by her 46 year old paternal uncle in Honduras. She states the incident occurred three times. She reports it started in December of 2013. He would wait until she was alone in the home. He threatened to kill her if she reported this to her paternal grandmother. When the third incident occurred she told her grandmother. Her grandmother took her to the hospital. They check her and noticed that she was about 5 months pregnant. She and the baby were in good health. The grandmother reported it to the police. The uncle escaped and is currently hiding. Charges are pending. Her mother who lives in Florida decided to move her and the family to the US. Her mother calls her daily. Client is in good health and spirits. She tends to keep busy. She is making jewelry and bracelets. She has books to read. She has a bible and prenatal books to read. She is watching videos about prenatal care and breastfeeding. A psychiatrist from UMC is talking to her on a daily basis.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Youth for Tomorrow

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

An SIR regarding UAC journey to US is recorded in the UAC Portal, but the SIR does not mention sexual abuse.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Sol

**Date of the Incident:** 07/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/09/14



**Summary of SIR:**

is a 15 years old female client from Nicaragua that has been under Southwest Key custody since 7/6/2014. On 7/7/2014 as part of her initial health screening client had a urine pregnancy test done. Results were positive indicating that the client is pregnant. The client stated becoming pregnant as a result of sexual abuse.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Youthcare

**Date of the Incident:** 07/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC reports that en route to the U.S. the man that was taking her across the border, took her into the brush and told her that he had to have sex with him or he would kill her. He then forced sex on her. She was then taken to the river and crossed over to the U.S., where the man left her.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Galveston Multicultural Institute (Children's Center)

**Date of the Incident:** 07/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/16/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

According with another minor in placement (UALR) grabbed his wrist and tried to place it in his private parts.  
According with he removed his hand quickly and avoided touching the other minor's private parts.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/17/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

In the context of a clinical session the minor disclosed additional information about encounters with gangs in home country that are indicative of possible trafficking concerns. The minor stated she was forced to do work for the local MS gang in her community. When she was 13 or 14 years old the gang members from around her community began telling her to help them and threatened that if she did not they would kill her and her family. She complied so that no harm would come to her family. They would make her keep watch or be a "vigilante" and she would have to notify them if she saw police coming by making hand signs. The minor states they made her do this several times, perhaps about 15 times. She also disclosed that two of them would touch her inappropriately and one of them, multiple times, made her touch him with her hands in their genital area. They made her pay for their cell phone to be recharged with minutes with her own money multiple times. She began getting away from them by trying to avoid them by only going outside her home when it was necessary and walking with someone like her mother when she was out so that they would not bother her. She states the last time they forced her to do anything was about mid-2013. She expressed she was afraid to report this before for fearing they would harm her or her family.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Casa Blanca

**Date of the Incident:** 07/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

reported being coerced by in El Salvador to join their gang approximately 1-2 months ago. She reported that she and her family were threatened to be harmed if she did not join them. She noted that the tattoo (three dots on left hand) which according to the minors means "mi vida loca" (my crazy life) was done against her will. She shared that expected her to collect rent (money) from members of the community and would be required to report back to if anyone failed to pay. She reported having to stand on the street corners and would have to notify fellow when the police was in their neighborhood. The youth further shared that she would have to

transport marijuana (ounces). She denied carrying or firing a weapon at any time. The youth reported fearing for her life and that her father sent for her and her younger sister to flee the threats and violence.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Presidente

**Date of the Incident:** 07/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The following abuse happened in home country of El Salvador. Client reports that she is 5 months pregnant and that she was physically abused by her 22 year old boyfriend in home country. She lived with him from February 2014 until June 25, 2014. Client reports that would physically abuse her by pulling her hair, hitting her on her back with a belt. Client also reports that on one occasion he hit her on her leg with a water hose. Client shares that her mother, who lives in Los Angeles, California is aware of the abuse. Client states that her mother is also aware of her pregnancy. Client has a strong support system while at the facility. Client appears to be coping well. She will be seen by clinician on a weekly basis for individual and group counseling.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** 07/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During a meeting with clinician, disclosed a minor identified as did pull down his pants yesterday morning while they were standing in line in Wing A. The minor further stated it was a seven year old kid and that nothing else happened. The minor reported he did feel uncomfortable and did tell the younger minor not to do that again.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** 07/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

An incident report filed on July 16, 2014 indicates that had seen from Wing A touch on his backside over his shorts. was approached in regards to the incident that allegedly occurred to which reported that had slapped his buttocks over his shorts while in the A wing hallway and reports that he told to stop to which he did. It is important to note that during the interview, was preoccupied with playing and skipping around instead of disclosing detailed information.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Jameson Center TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC was transported to the Boys and Girls Club about 10:30 am. He departed the premises of the Boys and Girls Club sometime after 2:00 pm, along with two other minors residing in the same foster home. When the foster parent arrived to pick up the boys around 3:00 pm, she spotted the UAC and the other two boys walking across the parking lot, apparently returning from the apartment complex next door. The foster parent observed that their eyes were red and she could smell marijuana. She asked the boys if they had been smoking. The UAC reportedly admitted that he had been doing so. Upon return to the home, the foster parent stated that she searched the boys. The UAC had nothing, although she found that another boy had a small amount of marijuana on his person. Then she called the Harris County Sheriff's Department, who sent an officer over to the home at in Houston. Officer A. Herrera spoke with the UAC about the consequences of smoking marijuana, and then removed the other boy in possession from the home.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Mesa SS

**Date of the Incident:** 07/09/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/10/14

**Summary of SIR:**

stated that he did not know why he had been brought to this shelter as he had been detained twice before and was just deported back to Mexico without any problems. According to his friend (organizer), client declined to provide names, used to be a guide but has become an adult and is now organizing and recruiting young adolescents to work for them. also reported that there are many adolescents living around his block and most of them work for the same person. Client denied threats or abuse from the group that hires him and stated that they cannot do anything to him. Client denied that his father was working as a smuggler but stated that his father comes to the United States often.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Fairfield

**Date of the Incident:** 07/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

became non-cooperative after earning a consequence for sexually inappropriate behavior (held a banana in front of his genitals, thrusting back and forth from a standing position). From this point cursed, screamed, threw objects, and made remarks ("choke the stick" or "give me a choke") and gestures (grabbed his crotch) sexual in nature. also entered the rooms of other UAC as they were attempting to retire for bed and removed property that did not belong to him.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Bethany Christian Services Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 07/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During his initial mental health assessment youth reported that about six months ago he was approached by what he described as a "dangerous group of men." Youth reports that they acted friendly towards him and told him to come with them. Youth reports feeling afraid and obligated to comply. Youth said that he was taken to the border and told to cross a group of immigrants into the US. Youth said that this group of men showed up on three occasions and told him to "get into the car." Youth reports that on one occasion he told them that he did not want to go and one of the men became angry with him. Youth says that he then went with them for fear that they would hurt him or his family. Youth said that this group of men has a reputation for being violent and sometimes burning the houses of people who upset them. This youth reports that on three occasions he crossed people into the US and that on all three occasions he was detained by immigration. The first two times he was deported back to Mexico. The third time he was sent here to the shelter. Youth reports that on this last trip he had been hoping to stay in the US and find work to help his mother.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Bethany Christian Services Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 07/17/17

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth reports that he was "obligated" by a group of men on threats of violence to cross immigrants from Mexico to the US. He said that his family would be in danger if he revealed any information about these men and that he is currently very worried that they could hurt his mother or another member of his family. This youth reports that he was playing soccer when a group of men approached him. He said that acted overly friendly and it made him nervous. Youth reports that the men told him that they were going to a chicken fight and wanted him to come. Youth reports that he said he had to go home or his mother would be angry with him. Youth says that the men told him he could call his mother on their phone and tell her he would be staying at a cousin's house. Youth reports that the men did not take him to a chicken fight but rather to the river that divides Mexico and the US. Youth reports that he was ordered to take a group of immigrants across the border. Youth reports that the men showed up at his house once in a while and would tell him to get in the car with them. He says that he was made to do four crossings. Youth reports that on one occasion he was given \$70 for his work. He was never given additional money.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS SA TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported in May, 2014 he was walking to school with his friend and \_\_\_\_\_ members threatened to kill them if they did not transport drugs. \_\_\_\_\_ held them at gun point and shot the friend for refusing. Minor was forced to transport drugs. He reported he was not in the \_\_\_\_\_ Minor reported when he would walk to school at 6:00 a.m. they would make him skip school to carry the drugs in his backpack to different locations and he was only allowed to go to school two days out of the week. Minor feared for his life and told an uncle about the incident, and his uncle planned his journey to the U.S. Minor fears if he returns to \_\_\_\_\_ he will be killed. Minor presented with grief and anxiety and was tearful while recalling the incident. He reported he had a nightmare after his friend was killed, but he has not had any more nightmares. He stated he lost interest in the things he enjoyed due to the stress and fear he felt. He reported he is eating and sleeping well and does not present with suicidal or homicidal ideation.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 07/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Clinician \_\_\_\_\_ met with minor for a mental health appointment. Clinician was reviewing with him his mood, stress, and anxiety levels. Later on, minor stated that this clinician was looking good. Clinician redirected him, then minor shared he was having issues on his private parts. Clinician mentioned to refer minor to the County nurse for an examination. Minor insisted that this clinician should take a look at his private parts. Minor then told clinician that no one would find out if this clinician took a look at his private parts. Clinician then noticed that minor had an erection in his pants. Clinician then ended the session and asked the minor to exit her office. On 7/16/2014, in the morning time, clinician \_\_\_\_\_ addressed with minor the incident that occurred the day before. Clinician had consulted with YCW \_\_\_\_\_ so that he would monitor clinician's session with minor while addressing incident. When clinician informed minor that new clinician \_\_\_\_\_ would be meeting with him in the future, minor became very upset. Minor told clinician "ahora te vas a la verga" translated to, "now you can go fuck yourself." Minor then went to his room and slammed the door behind him. A few hours later during a psychiatric evaluation, the minor apologized to clinician for his behavior.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Crittenton

**Date of the Incident:** 07/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the assessment process client disclosed he works for the Cartel \_\_\_\_\_ Client stated he will transport immigrants to the United States. Client informed clinician he is doing this by choice to obtained money to help his mother and purchase drugs for his personal use. Clinician consulted with Clinical Supervisor and was instructed to consult with the Child Abuse Registry.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Casa Blanca

**Date of the Incident:** 07/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/19/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC displayed inappropriate sexual behavior by using his middle finger to repeatedly poke a doll on the buttocks. The incident took place while all UACs in care participated in a game of bingo in the dining room. Several female clients approached staff to inform of this and to request that \_\_\_\_\_ was spoken to about this behavior which was making them very uncomfortable. As per female clients' report, \_\_\_\_\_ appeared to be teasing them and purposely making them feel uncomfortable.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/19/14

**Summary of SIR:**

In the context of an initial clinical interview, the minor reported that while on his journey to the United States, he was sexually assaulted right outside of before he was taken across the border. The minor reports that he was taken from the house in at which he stayed, to a different house along with one other migrant minor in his group. When they arrived at the house, the minor reports that two of the guides took the other minor and stated that they were going to get food, and he was left in the house with more guides and the woman who owned the house. He reports that one of the other guides told him that the owner of the house wanted to talk to him, and he reports that he was lead to the woman's room, where he entered, and immediately realized that the door had been closed and the lights turned out. He reports that the woman then revealed herself to be without clothes, and with only a cell phone in her hand. She told the minor that he was to do what he is told, or she would call some of the people she knew to "get rid of him". The minor reports that he felt scared, and despite protesting, he did not resist for fear that he would be killed or harmed in some way. The minor reports that the woman then forced him to engage in sexual acts with her, and he reports that afterwards he felt really badly. He reports that she told him to not tell anyone about what had happened, and that she even offered him money, which he refused. He reports that when the other minor and the two guides returned to the house, they did not have any food, and the woman in fact cooked for them and fed them, leading him to speculate that the story of going out to buy food was a story told just to get the other minor out of the house. The minor also reported feeling that his body was used to "pay" for the food and somewhat good treatment he and his companion received afterwards. The minor reports that while the incident in one that he tries not to remember, he denies having difficulties with sleep, appetite, or concentration at the present time.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

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July 20 – July 26, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **2**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **12**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **4**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **0**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **3**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **7**
- Other: **5**

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**Total Number of major SIR: 33 ; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 969; Number of SIRs for FY13: 19,510**

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Ventura (ERC)

**Date of the Incident:** 07/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On July 17, 2014 clinician \_\_\_\_\_ was informed of an email that was sent to SWK-Ventura (943) from the Guatemalan consulate, with information regarding possible trafficking concerns for the above mentioned client. The information provided in the email noted that the parents of this client made contact with the "Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores" in home country, requesting that this client should not be reunified, rather returned to home country. Information in the email states that client's parents believe that the client was brought to the U.S. with deceiving hopes. The email also states that client's parents fear that this client might be a trafficking victim. This clinician assessed client individually for any trafficking concerns. Client did not disclose any further or different information than what he had disclosed to his initial clinician, in regards to his journey. This clinician along with the individuals stated in the Witness section further assessed the situation and made telephone calls to the individuals noted in the Staff Response and Intervention section.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** LSS MI TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/15/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

During UAC Assessment on 7/17/2014, the minor disclosed that during the nights at the hotels, the guide would caress the minor's thighs as well as her female cousin, \_\_\_\_\_. When the minor and her female cousin, \_\_\_\_\_ informed him to not touch them the more he would touch their legs.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** LSS NE

**Date of the Incident:** 07/21/14

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/21/14

**UAC:**

**Summary of SIR:**

Case worker received a phone call from UAC's MENTOR case worker, as UAC is placed with an out-of-network agency. UAC's case worker disclosed that his case has been transferred to a male case worker due to some concerns of sexually inappropriate behavior. UAC's case worker explained that UAC was asking her very personal questions that made her feel uncomfortable. She also disclosed that, during home visits, she felt that he was staring at her chest and rear end. Further, on a separate occasion, the case worker also explained that UAC's foster mother had a friend over for lunch one day. During that lunch, UAC appeared to be licking his lips provocatively and made the foster mother's friend feel very uncomfortable. UAC's foster mother has tried to address these concerns with him by explaining that it is disrespectful and

very uncomfortable to behave this way towards women, especially authority figures. According to the foster mother and the case worker, it appears that UAC is having difficulty understanding his boundaries.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Ventura (ERC)

**Date of the Incident:** 07/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/21/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During a client's UAC Assessment, client disclosed his need for reunification with a family friend who he does not know. Client stated that his father contacted possible sponsor and prepare everything for his journey. Client verbalized his need to work as soon as possible in order to pay his journey expenses and the sponsor for the favor. Client believes that he is going to be working in a New York restaurant.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Tumbleweed

**Date of the Incident:** 07/21/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/21/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The client approached the client while he was doing his chores and began to bother his peer by hitting him on the back of his name, called him names and made obscene gestures.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** KidsPeace

**Date of the Incident:** 07/21/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/22/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

This female UAC has been with us for quite some time as her home study is pending. She is an attractive young lady who tends to draw attention to herself. The UAC is a sexual abuse victim and has experienced extensive trauma in her home country. The UAC came forward to this clinician and reported a male UAC gave her a love note last Wednesday 7/16/14. The love note tells the female UAC she is "bonita" and asks the female UAC if she would be the male UAC's girlfriend. The note also tells the female UAC that the male UAC loves her. Upon discovering the note, this clinician spoke with house staff about any observations they may have. (YCW) reported to this clinician that she observed the female UAC pushing her body against the male UAC's body during a game of basketball 7/20/2014 in the gym. (YCW) reports advising the UACs that this is not permitted. The female UAC laughed about the incident and reports she and the male UAC are just friends. The female UAC reports she occasionally jokes around with some of the teenage male UACs but does not claim to be flirting with them. The female UAC reports other female UACs are teasing her about being the male UAC's girlfriend. Upon discussing this incident with the female UAC, she seemed to understand that this type of behavior is not permitted and will not be tolerated.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Lackland AFB (ERC)

**Date of the Incident:** 07/19/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/19/14

**Summary of SIR:**

was checking the suggestion boxes and discovered an anonymous note regarding female UAC. Note stated that is daughter of coyote and that she passes information of the shelter to her father during phone calls when the clinician assistant is assisting other UAC's.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** Seton Home

**Date of the Incident:** 07/21/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/22/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Resident disclosed that the pregnancy is a result of rape. Resident reported that in January or February 2014 while living in home country, she was walking along the road to her family's field when an unknown man grabbed her and dragged her off the road into the brush and raped her. Resident denied additional physical injury as a result of the rape. Resident reported the rape to her grandmother and called and told her mother who lives in the U.S. Resident's mother is her sponsor. Resident did not report the incident to local police because she felt that nothing would be done. Resident reported that she did not have any contact with the perpetrator after the rape. Resident disclosed that at the age of 10 her mother moved to the U.S. and the resident and her older brother went to live with her maternal aunt. The maternal aunt was physically and verbally abusive to her and her older brother. The resident reported that the aunt would hit her and her brother and the abuse often left bruises. Resident reported that after a year living with her aunt, the resident and her brother went to live with her paternal grandmother. Resident reported that the grandmother knew that the aunt was being abusive. Resident noted that her father died in a car accident in the U.S. in 2002. Resident reported that her mother sent money to help support the family. Resident noted community violence and reported that she was afraid to go shopping or out on the street alone and stayed home to be safe. Resident reports that she fled her home country because she did not feel safe after the incident. Resident presents no serious mental health issues as a result of the rape.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Ft. Sill (ERC), BCFS Lackland AFB (ERC), BCFS Baytown, BCFS Harlingen, IES Foster Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 07/20/14 – 7/26/2014

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/20/14 – 7/26/2014

**Summary of SIR:**

A large number of UAC sponsors were contacted by individuals attempting to scam them. The scenarios differed slightly, but generally all of the callers claimed to be case managers, programs, or DHS. The callers attempted to convince sponsors to wire money in exchange for the release of UAC. Some scams were successful.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 07/21/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/22/14

**Summary of SIR:**



On 7/21/14 at 6:40 PM residents [redacted] and [redacted] informed Youth Care Worker [redacted] that their roommate [redacted] has been displaying inappropriate behavior towards them. They stated that he's been hugging resident [redacted] in a tight manner to a point of restricting his ability to breathe. They also said he's been jumping on bed while he's sleeping. He has also been making a lot of noise on the top bunk of the bunk bed. This has been waking resident [redacted] up at night. Resident [redacted] also stated that [redacted] has been pulling the bunk bed away from the wall with a lot of force, causing the screws to come out. The final complaint was given by [redacted] stating that [redacted] has been pretending to punch them and it makes them feel unsafe. They both said they want him to move to a different room. Or he should move to another room.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Ventura (ERC)

**Date of the Incident:** 07/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/22/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 7/22/14, clinician [redacted] assessed client [redacted] regarding an email that was sent on 7/21/14 at 1:30 AM. The email stated the following: "On 7/21/14 at approximately 7:35 PM, shift supervisor [redacted] observed the client making inappropriate gestures towards a female UAC and "trying to talk" to her. Client was pulled aside and was informed that he cannot talk to females at the shelter. Staff [redacted] took the client from the restroom to his dorm. Subsequently, the client approached youth care worker [redacted] and informed her "he felt like killing himself." Client was taken to a classroom by staff [redacted] to discuss the statements he made. Client informed shift supervisor, [redacted] that he was very upset because on 7/20/14, staff caught him passing a note to a female UAC. [redacted] contacted [redacted] and was instructed to place the client on 1:1 supervision." On 7/22/14 @ 8 AM, clinician met with client to assess him for suicidality. Client informed clinician that he was extremely angry at staff for not allowing him to talk to a female UAC. Additionally, client stated he was angry because staff wrote an incident report. Client was under the impression that the incident report would place his case on hold and that he would have consequences by the judge handling his immigration case.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** Seton Home

**Date of the Incident:** 07/21/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/22/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The resident reported that her pregnancy is the result of a sexual assault that occurred in February in home country (Honduras). The resident reported that she was alone in her room at her aunt's house one evening when a male broke in and sexually assaulted her. The resident reported that the male turned off the lights in her room so she was unable to see him. The resident noted that the male placed a cloth over her mouth so she was unable to call for help. The resident reported that the attack lasted about 5 minutes and that the male left immediately after the attack. The resident reported the assault to her aunt who took her to a hospital for medical attention. The resident reported the assault to local authorities but was told that nothing would be done since she had not seen his face. The resident reported a strong narco presence in the community where she was living and that sexual violence against woman is common. The resident fled home country two days after the assault.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Casa Houston

**Date of the Incident:** 07/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On July 16, 2014 during individual counseling session minor reported being molested by a 40 year old male during her journey. Minor stated she started her journey with her brother and an aunt that was fleeing violence in home country at that time due to not being able to pay the 'war tax' (Impuesto de Guerra) Minor stated she and her brother stayed at her aunt's relatives house and noted she shared bedroom with 2 female cousins. Minor stated that one night while she was sleeping she felt someone was touching her body over her clothes. Minor stated that when she opened her eyes she saw her aunt's brother in law (40) standing next to the bed, staring at the minor; then he left the room. Minor noted she felt

confused and went back to sleeping. Minor noted the second time she felt someone touching her, she fully woke up and sit up on her bed; minor noted the man remained standing next to the bedroom door and would not leave, until the minor started crying. Minor noted once he left she woke up her cousins and told them what had happened. Minor stated she felt very afraid and uncomfortable but did not mention anything to her aunt, because she did not want to worry her since she was already going to a stressful time herself and she did not want any problems. Minor noted these days she has been having flashbacks of the man standing at the door and has difficulty falling asleep at night. Minor denied having any nightmares and once she is asleep, noted she is able to sleep through the night.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Cayuga Centers

**Date of the Incident:** 07/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/22/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

The FP walked in on children hiding under the blankets touching each other. UAC was found with other child (female). FP immediately asked Female to leave the room. They were removed from the same FP and we had a conversation with regarding this behavior.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Morrison TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

MA was asked to help facilitate a call for On the way to the phone call room she was crying and said that she didn't want to be here anymore and that the woman who takes care of her pulled her hair. The MA stopped into clinician's office. Clinician asked what happened and the youth said that the woman who takes care of her pulled her hair. Clinician asked her to show her what happened and the youth grabbed her pony tail and pretend pulled it, pulling her head back and to the side. She said that her head still hurts. We went to make the phone call with her parents and on the call she said that the woman that takes care of her pulled her hair and that she didn't want to go back to her house. She said that foster mom wouldn't let her take her pictures to school and was in a hurry. She said that foster mom woke her up by yelling and pulling her blanket onto the floor. She said that foster mom pushed her into her room the night before because she didn't want to go to sleep. She told her family that foster mom makes her get her own food and sometimes won't give her more when she asks, saying that she's already eaten too much. This was all said over the course of about 45 minutes. The youth's family threatened to call the police and to go to the media because her daughter was being abused. At one point one woman on the call said to another woman that "they are pulling her hair right now to keep her from talking". MA was able to ask them to ask if her hair was being pulled in the moment and agreed that it wasn't that it had been pulled in the morning. At the point at which the sponsors started to escalate and start yelling, MA asked a coworker to go and find the clinician or the case manager so that there was another person on the call. The clinician and the sponsors agreed that they would end the call and then they would call back with the case manager and talk about next steps.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Brownsville Foster

**Date of the Incident:** 07/23/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Clinician received an email sent by Case coordinator, on 7/23/14, stating the following information which was reported to her by (age 16, 7 months pregnant): "The minor disclosed that while she resided with her father, her father would occasionally hit her with a belt leaving her with markings on her legs and arms. She also indicated that he would always get home drunk and go after her. The minor also disclosed that when she was 5 or 6 years old, her father attempted to sexually abuse her but since she started to cry out loud, he backed away." "The minor's step-mother did not hit hurt but would lock the minor and her brother in a room and would not feed them. During the nights, the minor and her brother would sneak out to visit their maternal grandmother. While the minor and

her brother resided with their father, the minor did not have constant communication with her mother as her father would not allow her to have too much contact." Clinician followed up with [redacted] who stated she had indeed experienced physical abuse by her father and that her father had attempted to sexually abuse her when she was younger. [redacted] also stated that her stepmother at times did not feed her and her brother. [redacted] did not disclose any further information.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS SA LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/23/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Foster mom reported to CM that [redacted] has been making inappropriate comments, displaying inappropriate behaviors, and making another foster child in the home feel uncomfortable and unsafe. The other UAC from the same foster home reported to Foster Parents, that [redacted] has been calling him names such as "homosexual" and "dirty face". [redacted] stated to CM that he had insulted the other minor in the past, but he did it as a joke and the other minor started joking around too, but then the other minor did not continue, as he does not like the things [redacted] said to him. Foster Parents also reported that minor had problems with his behavior at church as well. [redacted] stayed for the whole hour in the bathroom with other UACs and skipped the service. It was reported that [redacted] has told the other UAC from the same foster home to give him oral sex; however, no contact was made and no sexual acts were performed. Furthermore, [redacted] has challenged the other minor to physical fights but the minor has not engaged and fighting has not occurred. [redacted] had been insulting the other minor at school and the other minor reported [redacted] kicked him from behind and hit him on his arm. Neither incident caused physical injury; however, the other minor feels threatened by [redacted]

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Lackland AFB (ERC)

**Date of the Incident:** 07/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/04/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

DC staff witnessed and reported seeing UACs in the same bathroom stall, facing each other, with both of their pants down, at approximately 10:40p.m. Clinician met with both UACs separately. UAC reported that he was masturbating and asked [redacted] for toilet paper to clean himself after. [redacted] alleges that at this point the DC staff walked in on them. UAC initially reported that nothing had occurred, as they were both playing around, when the DC staff walked in on them. Clinician, perceived [redacted] as nervous and unclear as he continued changing his version of the event. Clinician confronted [redacted] on the incongruences between both sides of the stories. UAC later admitted that he and [redacted] engaged in mutual consensual masturbation, using their hands on each other. According to UAC J, there was no penetration. UAC acknowledged that both of their behaviors were a mistake and that should have not occurred. Shelter Manager and Clinician recommendation was to place both UACs on Increased Supervision 1:1, and for the case to be reviewed by FSS, at which point a transfer recommendation was initiated. UAC will be transferred to BCFS Baytown.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Galveston Multicultural Institute

**Date of the Incident:** 07/23/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor has been making inappropriate sexual noises. He stated that minor yelled in purposefully sexual manner.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Rio Grande

**Date of the Incident:** 04/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/15/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Upon further investigation, submitting trafficking addendum based on the information above as youth was exploited, forced to work, and abused during work.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Ft. Sill (ERC)

**Date of the Incident:** 07/02/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Sponsor, [redacted] reached out to the Guatemalan Consulate for assistance in finding her daughter. Sponsor reports her family found the name of [redacted] z phone [redacted] on the Guatemalan Consulate's website and called him for assistance. [redacted] told the sponsor he knew her daughter's location and in order to have her released she needed to wire \$2000 to [redacted] MX under the name [redacted]. [redacted] gave her 45 minutes to wire the money however she was not able to collect the amount requested. The next day they received a call from [redacted] from ICE requesting the money if not her daughter would be deported that same day. At that time the sponsor figured it was a scam and she told them that she did not know of anyone apprehended by immigration officials. Caller hung up.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** SWK Ventura (ERC)

**Date of the Incident:** 07/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 07/22/14 the clinician [redacted] approached assistant lead [redacted] and stated that she had given one of her assigned clients her personal phone number. She indicated the client wanted to contact her after his release to notify her he had arrived at his destination. [redacted] explained to [redacted] that per policy providing clients with personal information is not allowed. [redacted] stated she would pull the client and take back her phone number. By the end of the day 07/22/14 it was unclear if the clinician [redacted] had asked the client for the information back. On 07/22/2014 the clinician [redacted] also asked if it would be "okay" to bring the client [redacted] a birthday card and cake since his birthday was 07/23/2014. [redacted] explained that a cake was not appropriate because we are not allowed to give gifts to the clients but that a birthday card was only acceptable if the card was signed by the clinical department. [redacted] instructed [redacted] to provide the card to the case manager in order for it to be in his documents not in his possession but [redacted] indicated she should not continue to do that with her assigned clients.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Campbell

**Date of the Incident:** 07/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client reported to clinician while on his journey to the United States, in Mexico he was asked by two different individuals to perform sexual acts in exchange for money. Client reported he refused and was no longer pursued. Also in Mexico client reported he was offered help by an individual who was dressed as a woman. Client explained that he accepted help, receiving food, water, clothing and housing for several days. Client explained that he slept in the same bed with this individual and that at night the individual would touch him all over his body. Client reported he refused sexual intercourse and the individual stopped. However UAC indicated that even though he refused this individual's sexual advancements, he continued to touch him all over his body on other occasions.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Estrella

**Date of the Incident:** 06/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

[redacted] reported that during her travel from El Salvador to the US border she was traveling by bus and an unknown male named [redacted] that the youth describes as a thirty something years old raped her. Youth has a pregnancy test at the border with Nogales and the USA and another pregnancy test at the SWK shelter on 7/2/2014 both of the tests

were negative. Youth reported to having her menstruation while awaiting transfer at the Nogales Port of Entry in AZ. Youth seems to be eating, sleeping and socializing well with her peers at the center. At this time this clinician has no concerns.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland IYC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/25/14

**Summary of SIR: (3)**

Minor reported that the two peers whom he shares a room with made inappropriate sexual comments and gestures towards him. Per minor, on 7/23 after the lights had been turned off for bed time, and climbed up to his bed. Per minor grabbed his legs while covered his mouth. Per minor, and told him they were going to pull down his pants and violate him. Per minor, he tried to call out for staff but feels he was not loud enough to be heard. Per minor, he tried to kick off and tried to push away Per minor, after this, and got down from his bed and continued to talk about their plans. Per minor, he heard and talking, stating that they would wait until he went to bed, to then violate him. Per minor, he heard and commenting that they would use lotion in order to not hurt/burn minor. Per minor, and made other comments including that they were not joking and discussed who would attempt to violate him first. Per minor after and got down from his bed, he confronted them and asked them if they wanted to fight. Per minor, he did not want to fight but was angry at and as he did not like what they were doing. Per minor, they did not fight and he returned to his bed. Per Carlos, he did not go to sleep to keep watch in case and tried to do something to him. Minor reported that and fell asleep and did not try to do anything additional. Per minor, in the morning, and told the boys from the other room on the floor what they had tried to do. Minor reported that the boys then laughed and made jokes about it. Minor reported that approached him in the morning and asked him if they were friends, while trying to shake his hand. Minor reported that he did not shake his hand as he does not feel that friends treat each other in that manner. Per minor, has previously joked around with touching his arm or leg when singing. Per minor, this happened a few days ago. Minor denied being touched in his genitals during the incident from last night or at any other time. Per minor, when was grabbing his legs, his pants did come down a little. Clinician provided active listening and emphatic responses. Clinician sensitively probed for additional information to complete assessment of incident. Clinician re-assured minor of his safety while in the program. Clinician thanked minor for notifying clinician of the incident he had experienced and advised him that steps would be taken to address the concerns.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Mercy First

**Date of the Incident:** 07/18/17

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/19/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Staff reported witnessing tap with hand private area as she was getting up from the couch. Staff reported seeing react to this tap by her legs going up in the air and covering her private area, appearing shocked. Staff immediately pulled to the side and asked her what had just happened. stated she had asked to stop touching but that she continues to do it. All of the minors in the group home were sitting on the couch when this incident occurred. One of the minors asked "Are you going to allow her to do that to you?" Clinician met with both girls separately, both provided a different scenario than what staff had reported. It appears both girls have come to a conclusion of sharing the same story. Clinician spoke to the other minor (witness) about the comment she'd made and what she had witnessed. Minor confirmed incident and comment she made.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** LSS NY

**Date of the Incident:** 08/01/12

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported that he lived with a maternal aunt for two years. During this time he endured forced labor and exploitation, neglect, physical and verbal abuse. Aunt took him out of school to make him work cutting trees and selling wood. Minor reported that if he complained or refused to work, aunt would whip him with an electric cord. Minor reported that around August 1, 2012 aunt was upset because he refused to go work that day. Minor reported that aunt took a lit-piece of wood from the kitchen, asked her son to hold minor, and burned him on his left leg. Minor stated that aunt and son burned him again two months later. Minor reported around April 8 2013 he was severely beaten by aunt with a stick and then proceeded to lock him in a warehouse for 1 day. Minor stated that his shoulder was dislocated from the beating. Minor reported that a teacher found out about the abuse because she noticed the minor was in pain; she and the principal advocated for minor's removal from the aunt's house and minor was placed with a neighbor who took good care of him.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Cayuga Centers

**Date of the Incident:** 07/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During lunch, two minors - [redacted] and [redacted] were writing in a notebook and delaying lunch, so I asked for notebook and told [redacted] that she would get it back later in the day. When lunch was ending, [redacted] was anxious to get the notebook back, but I thought it would be best to bring it to my supervisors. I told [redacted] that because they were going back to class, it would be best to hold on to the notebook, which I considered a distraction, until the end of the day. When [redacted] approached me the second time, [redacted] was present. I told her about the notebook and she took it. I then asked her not to open it because I did not want to invade the minors' privacy - to which she said, "Nothing is private". She opened the notebook and found notes that were passed back and forth between the two minors. These notes were sexual in nature and I immediately took the notebook to [redacted]

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** BCFS Ft. Sill (ERC)

**Date of the Incident:** 07/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth also alleged that she was sexually molested by her guide during her trip to the U.S.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Antigua

**Date of the Incident:** 07/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client disclosed that she was touched inappropriately by a military official in Mexico. Youth reported the following which occurred in Mexico. Youth stated that meanwhile on her journey from Honduras to the US her bus was stopped by military officials. Military officials made their way onto the bus checking and inspecting the passengers on the bus. Youth stated that she was seated towards the back of the bus. A military official then approached the youth and directed her to go to the restroom so that he could further check the youth for any weapons or contraband. While in the restroom the official then instructed the youth to take off her clothing. When the youth refused, the official continued to ask her several questions regarding why she was traveling and threatened to deport her back to home country making her feel obligated to follow his instructions. Youth then undressed herself leaving only her underwear on. The military official then proceeded to check her for any contraband meanwhile touching and grabbing her inappropriately for several seconds. The military official stopped when another official made his way towards the restroom. The youth then put her clothes back on and made her way back to her seat. The clinician expressed her sympathy towards the youth for having to endure such a tragic event. The youth appeared to be coping with the incident in a stable manner and feels safe and secure in the facility at this time. The clinician will continue to assure the youth regarding her security here and will continue to follow up this youth.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** BCFS Ft. Sill (ERC)

**Date of the Incident:** 07/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor stated that she was raped by a police officer in Mexico while on her way to the US.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** IES Hidalgo Foster

**Date of the Incident:** 07/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Assistant Program Director \_\_\_\_\_ and Program Director \_\_\_\_\_ received a notice of concern (NOC) from Lead Case Manager \_\_\_\_\_ stating that at approximately 11:30 a.m. she had observed Clinician \_\_\_\_\_ carrying UAC \_\_\_\_\_ age 5, past her office and towards the IES Hidalgo Play Room. Lead Case Manager shared that she was reporting this because although the child was observed touching the walls as he was being carried, IES has a very strict no touch policy with UAC.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** 07/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

\_\_\_\_\_ disclosed that he traveled to the US with a former male teacher who had attempted to force him to have sexual relationships with him beginning in 2012 when the minor was about 14 years old. Minor reported that the teacher would send him nude pictures of himself beginning in August 2012. During this time, \_\_\_\_\_ stated that the teacher offered to give him an iPad and an “international use” credit card with 47,000 US dollars. Minor reported he accepted the offer and took the gifts without giving the teacher anything in return. \_\_\_\_\_ said that at one point this teacher confronted a now ex-girlfriend and told her that \_\_\_\_\_ was gay and that she had to break up with him. Minor reported he attempted to stop all contact with this individual by changing his phone number, but he would somehow continue contacting him by text and by social media such as Facebook, Whatsapp, and blackberry messenger “bb”. During the trip through Mexico, \_\_\_\_\_ stated that his former teacher touched him on his private area over his clothes. Minor told the owner of the house where they were staying for the night what was happening and she took the minor into another room away from the individual. \_\_\_\_\_ and his friend stopped traveling with the teacher that night. Before the inappropriate touching occurred, minor recalled the teacher offered him drugs which the minor declined. \_\_\_\_\_ reported that the teacher stole took his birth certificate and passport before he and his friend left him behind. According to Case Manager \_\_\_\_\_ the individual has been calling the shelter wanting to speak with \_\_\_\_\_ and asking to sponsor him. Contact with this individual will not be permitted. Minor stated he feels bad “for everything the teacher has done” but claims he is doing well. \_\_\_\_\_ did not report having any nightmares and is eating well.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Alexis Cohen

July 27 – August 2, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

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**Total Number of major SIR: 32; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 833; Number of SIRs for FY14: 20,343**

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** BCFS Ft. Sill (ERC)

**Date of the Incident:** 07/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/25/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

UAC reported today that she was a victim of sexual molestation and abuse. She said she had been repeatedly raped by strangers while living in her native country. She described that she was raped twice. The first time, at the age of 13 by a stranger and then at age of 16 by a friend of her aunt, who was under the influence of drugs and alcohol. The latter incident occurred while she was living with her aunt, who was selling drugs. Youth also alleged that she was sexually molested by her guide during her trip to the U.S. UAC presented herself as sad and tearful as she spoke about her sexual abuse. She denied any suicidal ideation and/or intent at present. She denied any history of suicidal ideation and/or self-injurious behaviors. No other mental health concerns reported. Youth indicated she was looking forward to reuniting with her family, and that she feels safe and secure at this time. Clinician facilitated the expression of thoughts and feelings related to the abuse and educated youth about self-protective strategies. Clinician provided with support and effective coping skills to help youth manage negative emotions and improve interpersonal functioning.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland Guadalupe

**Date of the Incident:** 07/26/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/28/14

**Summary of SIR: (3)**

After being informed by minor [redacted] that the minor [redacted] as directing inappropriate sexual comments at [redacted] he clinician spoke with the minor [redacted]. When the clinician spoke with the minor the first time, the minor denied ever making any inappropriate comments towards any of his roommates. After speaking with the minor [redacted] the clinician spoke with the third roommate [redacted] and the minor [redacted] reported that the minor [redacted] had been saying inappropriate sexual comments towards [redacted]. The second time the clinician spoke with minor [redacted] the minor was confused about what inappropriate sexual comments means and stated that it means to touch someone inappropriately. The clinician explained to the minor that inappropriate sexual comments/behavior includes saying inappropriate comments, not just touching someone.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Franklin

**Date of the Incident:** 07/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**



After Client showered she started to cry and got mad because her shirt did not fit her. Staff saw client lay down on her bed and client started taking off her clothes. Staff told client to put her clothes back on. Client said no and was touching her private area in an inappropriate way. Staff told client to stop touching herself and to put her clothes back on so client cooperated and started changing herself.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** Seton Home

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Statement that pregnancy is not consensual is not contained in a SIR in the UAC Portal.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Nueva Esperanza

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Trafficking concerns were not recorded in a SIR on the UAC Portal.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Fairfield

**Date of the Incident:** 07/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/27/14

**Summary of SIR:**

DCS asked why he felt the way he did and he responded by saying that there were two immigration officers who were "horrible". One told he was a "son of a bitch" and the other named "Craft" touched/grabbed him inappropriately where he was not supposed to. DCS reported the allegation through her chain of command.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Sol

**Date of the Incident:** 07/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client stated her sponsor, is attempting to adopt her niece. Client reported her niece has been raised by both her and her mother and her mother has legal guardianship since mother died shortly after she was born. On 7/28/2014, client's mother, reported to clinician she had not consented for her daughter or niece to travel to the U.S. Client's mother has made an official formal complaint to Honduran officials for kidnapping of both her daughter, and granddaughter, is in current care of under a different name. Client stated when she was in Mexico with her aunt, who falsified birth certificate documents under the name. Client's mother indicated to clinician that is demanding she send her documents including a power of attorney, immunization records, and death certificates. Client and her mother are under the impression wants to keep and possibly adopt her without their consent. Clinician also spoke to sponsor she was hesitant with providing information regarding this was evident with her not knowing the child's DOB and being unclear as how the child is now in her care. It appears this incident may involve trafficking.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Bethany USCCB

**Date of the Incident:** 07/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/29/14

**Summary of SIR:** (2)

Staff observed resident as he walked back to his room from the shower. Staff noticed several hickies, approximately 10, on chest and stomach. When staff asked him what happen, did not answer. There are suspicions within the residence that is involved. Resident as been noted engaging in inappropriate behavior and boundaries with resident Other staff in the home have seen put his arm around and also noted one incident where laid his head on lap during a car ride. This is what has led to the suspicion that resident may be responsible for the hickies observed on chest and stomach.

There are additional SIRs regarding "poor boundaries" between these two UAC recorded in the UAC Portal.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Lackland AFB (ERC), BCFS Ft. Sill (ERC), BCFS Chavaneaux, BCFS Harlingen, BCFS San Antonio, Morrison Downtown

**Date of the Incident:** 07/12/14 – 7/27/2014

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/27/14 – 8/2/2014

**Summary of SIR: (16)**

A large number of UAC sponsors were contacted by individuals attempting to scam them. The scenarios differed slightly, but generally all of the callers claimed to be case managers, programs, or DHS. The callers attempted to convince sponsors to wire money in exchange for the release of UAC. Some scams were successful.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Lackland AFB (ERC)

**Date of the Incident:** 07/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/08/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Clinician received report from direct care staff that a UAC had sexually harassed, kicked, punched, and verbally threatened UAC immediately before lights out. During interview with clinician, UAC admitted that the accusations were true, but refused to apologize to UAC Shelter manager and clinician recommend placing UAC on 1:1 supervision in a separate dorm, with reassessment to follow.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Youth for Tomorrow

**Date of the Incident:** 07/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Denis reported that during his journey at the end of May 2014, he ran out of money. He explained that he and another immigrant found a middle aged man (name unknown) who offered to pay them \$15 per day to clean his roof. reported he was provided with three meals per day and a place to sleep during the four days he worked there. He reported

working on a Wednesday-Sunday from 7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. denied any physical abuse from the man. Once the job was completed, stated that the man refused to pay him and threatened to harm him if he ever returned to the property.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** NOVA Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 07/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While on the dayroom floor, UAC was observed showing other UACs a picture he had taken using the Nintendo DS camera device. Staff noticed that the UACs were all laughing and requested to see the picture. UAC showed staff the Nintendo DS and said "Teacher, mire la foto que tome!" (Teacher, look at the photo that I took." The picture was of two other UACs. UAC had used the draw function on the device to draw on the pictures. He had drawn what looked to be penises going into the other UACs mouths. Staff moved to take the Nintendo DS from to more closely observe the photo. However, he quickly deleted the photo and said "I didn't do it, I didn't do it!"

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Peterson Residence

**Date of the Incident:** 07/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client reported in session today in regards to APR staff member's behavior with clients. is verbally abusive, consistently displays a bad attitude, "yells at us", "threatens us that we will not be able to go outside for recreation time if we do not hurry up and do as she asks". states staff member is very rude, and if she is in a bad attitude, she takes it out on the clients. is on her cell phone frequently and has been known to respond negatively to clients shortly after being the phone. He states he received a call from his grandmother yesterday; client witnessed staff member answer the phone say something very rude to family member then hung up the phone. When questioned staff member, staff yelled at him that he is only allowed phone calls on Sundays and Thursdays. Iso made allegations of favoritism by staff member towards one particular client, He states staff member is always talking to and are always seem together. also states he witnessed staff member passing notes in classroom with stated that this behavior has been witnessed by several clients.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Friends of Youth

**Date of the Incident:** 07/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

At 7:00 pm resident asked BYC SR if he could be placed on "soap restriction". When asked why, shared that he has snorted soap on 4 occasions.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 07/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

A child trafficking eligibility letter for was received for trafficking referral previously made; trafficking concerns previously documented in SIR during previous placement. Clinician completed therapeutic phone call with sponsor; reviewed letter, eligibility for benefits and services, and provided psycho-education. sponsor demonstrated to be very understanding of needs and willing to provide support.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** IES Los Fresnos

**Date of the Incident:** 07/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On July 29, 2014 it was reported by Child Care Staff, [redacted] that resident [redacted] allegedly showed his private area to resident [redacted]. According to resident [redacted] after playing games with fellow residents in the group he was walking over to sit down on the sofa and according to [redacted] called him, when he turned to look at [redacted] stated [redacted] showed him his private area through the bottom of the shorts. Resident [redacted] stated he then went back to play with other residents and advised the Child Care Worker [redacted] of the incident. [redacted] stated that he does not feel offended, but would like for it to not reoccur. [redacted] denies ever showing his private area to any resident from his group.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Catholic Guardian Services TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/29/14

**UAC:** Dinora Esmeralda Lopez Gonzalez A#202001439  
Gabriela Sarai Lopez Gonzalez A#202001442

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/30/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

On 07/29/14, Lead Case Manager [redacted] reviewed the documents submitted by the UAC's sponsor, [redacted] with the intention of screening for possible smuggling/trafficking. During the review LCM learned that the sponsor might have provided false information to the IRS for unknown reasons. To be specific, LCM noticed that on page 1 of the sponsor's 2013 1040 Form she listed her daughters, [redacted] (17) and [redacted] (15), as dependent and that she (the sponsor or the person who prepared her taxes) also included two social security numbers.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Conroe

**Date of the Incident:** 07/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/30/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While completing the Child Traffic Screening Form, the client reported several instances of suspected trafficking.

1. Client was taken by force and put to work against his will.
2. Client was not paid a previously agreed upon wage.
3. Client was threatened with death if he tried to escape.
4. Client was restrained and beaten for non-compliance.
5. Client was given cocaine to increase his work productivity and forced to stay awake.
6. Client was forced to slash soldier's tires and find ways to avoid detection.

The Child Traffic Screening Form will be transmitted to Anti-trafficking In Persons department for review.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Center Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 07/30/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/31/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While Delta Pod was preparing to eat lunch, UAC [redacted] was observed flicking a resident in the ear by cameras and staff in the control room. Following the incident, the other Delta Pod resident attempted to get staff; Mr. [redacted] attention. UAC [redacted] immediately approached the other resident in a threatening manner, standing close to the resident's face with his arms outstretched. Staff; Mr. [redacted] verbally redirected UAC [redacted] and instructed UAC and all Delta Pod residents to their rooms since lunch was being delivered. Meanwhile, Training Coordinator; Ms. [redacted] entered Delta Pod to speak with another resident. Mr. [redacted] noticed UAC [redacted] masturbating at his window while observing Ms. [redacted]. Mr. [redacted] verbally redirected UAC [redacted] and immediately stood in front of UAC's window until Training Coordinator, Ms. [redacted] exited Delta Pod. UAC [redacted] remained in his room without further incident.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 07/30/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/30/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During initial intake assessment UAC disclosed to case manager that she was sexually molested while traveling to the US. She reports that one of the guides touched her under her clothes on minor's breasts and genitals while they were resting in a hotel room in Mexico. states this was a one-time incident, which stopped when a lady who was traveling with the group entered the room. UAC reports having nightmares, trouble sleeping and waking up and crying in the middle of the night due to the incident.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** His House

**Date of the Incident:** 07/30/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/30/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The minor disclosed that in Mexico, during her journey to the U.S. , the guide took the group to a hotel to sleep and she later woke up to find 3 men in her hotel room. Minor said she found her pants down to her knees, her underwear out of place, but her bra unstrapped. The minor also states that she felt pain in her thighs and groin area and that her head and nose hurt, however, does not know what took place as she only remembers sleeping.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 07/30/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/30/14

**Summary of SIR:**

reports that as a young child, while living with his aunt (not adoptive mother), and her husband, he would be made to work usually agriculture-type of work, such as picking corn, beans, or clearing fields, sometimes carrying loads of wood, and tending cattle. He stated that would not be paid for this work. The crops would be sold and he would not be paid. "They would buy themselves the things they needed and would not give us anything." When he complained about the pain his body sustained, or the hours of work, then his aunt's husband would threaten to tell his aunt, who reportedly had a history of being physically, and emotionally abusive to him. This physical abuse was previously reported at prior facility (Morrison Paso Staff Secure). Additionally, he reports he worked from 6:30 AM to 5:30 PM. He would then eat and then go back to work until the sun went down. states he has not shared this information with his adoptive mother for fear of repercussion, specifically fear that his aunt would hurt him or his younger brother again.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Galveston Multicultural Institute

**Date of the Incident:** 07/31/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/31/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

According with reports from staff on Thursday July 31, 2014 at about 9:20 pm he was downstairs in the boy's house when he hear in the second floor minors laughing loudly. Staff went upstairs and found the 3 boys in room # 2 awake and laughing. Staff asked the one who was laughing loudly to come with him downstairs and then he took him to park the company's bus in the parking lot. During that time, minor reported to Staff the reason for the laughing. He stated that minor id pull his pants down and showed his private parts.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 07/30/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/31/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While all program staff were attending their All Staff Meeting in the program classroom, all minors were participating in a group (sex education group), when this minor became disruptive when grabbing the instructors prop (plastic dildo) without

permission and began making sexually inappropriate remarks. The instructor was not able to continue with the group due to minor and group being unmanageable, and discontinued the group as a result. Two on-call staff supervising the group alerted staff in the classroom to assist, as the instructor had discontinued the group and left. Milieu Supervisor and JCSS lead left the program meeting to provide assistance, as the entire group appeared to be very upset with this minor. Minor was asked to go to his room; however, minor refused, and was told back up for County Staff would be called. Minor then began directing the group to refuse to go back to their room as well, if County staff arrived on the unit, and then was also directing another program minor to fight back, scratch, and pull the hair of one of the on-call staff. After several redirections, minor walked back to his room.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Galveston Multicultural Institute

**Date of the Incident:** 07/31/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/01/14

**Summary of SIR: (4)**

On 8/1/2014, UAC reported that on 7/31/2014 (around the time getting ready to go to sleep), UAC touched her breast area. She stated she was sitting down on UAC and talking to that peer when UAC ran to get onto UAC bed and touched UAC's chest area. She reported that UAC quickly passed that area with her hand. UAC reported that UAC saw this occur. She further reported that UAC then asked them to talk about "cosas de miedo" (things that are scary). She also stated that UAC also asked if they had played the Quija game further stating that there are spirits. UAC further reported that one day (unknown date), UAC told her that she went into the closet and put her head to the floor (ear to floor) and said that "el diablo" (devil) was with her.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Tumbleweed

**Date of the Incident:** 07/30/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/30/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client was sitting in the living room on the couch along with other clients. Staff noticed that other clients were sitting in the living room couch, sort of leaning in towards . Staff noticed that had an erection. The client was fully clothed but was not covering himself in front of staff of his peers.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Commonwealth Catholic Charities

**Date of the Incident:** 08/01/12

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/01/14

**Summary of SIR:**

This worker received a phone call from CPS worker on Friday, 08/01/14 at 4:50 pm. reported that she received a call from YMCA Camp Thunderbird counselor about being physically abused by his foster mother. Counselor reported to CPS Worker that disclosed to her that that earlier in the morning, at home, he was in trouble for stealing and his foster mother told him to go to his room, then he used his hands to indicate that she choked him and pulled his head up. CPS worker indicated that there was a language barrier because YMCA Staff did not speak Spanish and is only fluent in Spanish and speaks Basic English. CPS Worker told this worker that she will contact this worker on Monday before she makes a determination about the allegation and will let worker assess the situation with the minor and foster family over the weekend.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Presidente

**Date of the Incident:** 08/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/03/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client reports that while she was traveling to the US, one of the males whom she was traveling with tried to rape her. Client recalls being asleep and suddenly waking up during the middle of the night and saw that a male an older man was touching her legs and trying to put force on youth. Youth reports that nothing happened to her and she was quickly escorted to another place away from the male stranger. Client reports that that night she stayed up crying and could not go to sleep. Client also reports that this is why she has trouble sleeping because she feels that the incident is happening again and she feels she runs out of air. Client also reported that during her trip to the US before crossing the border the Mexican army in Reynosa were tried to stop the group she was with and started shooting at everyone. Client reports that she did not know what to do and started to panic. Client reports that as she turn to her side she saw the man that would take care of her getting shot and was bleeding from his stomach. Client reports that the man told her to run and hide. Client reports that she was in a deserted area all alone and she found a small area where she was hiding until everything cleared out. Client reports that after the gun shots stopped everyone came out and started to walk. Client reports that she felt more alone because the man whom was taking care of her was no longer there. Client cried while recalling the event. Client states that as she gathered with the rest of the group they began to walk and then found an area to rest for the night. Client states that the next day when she woke up the group was gone leaving her alone with no food, and nowhere to go. Client reports that she went back the area where she was hiding when she heard the gunshots and spent the day and night there. Client reports crying and feeling very scared. Client also reports feeling hungry because she had not eaten in days. Client cried again as she was recalling the event. Client reports that during this night she could hear animals and she had nothing to cover her with or defend herself with. Client states that she was feeling alone and very scared. During session client seemed to be well she cried for a long time (30) minutes. Client states she needed to finally vent and let everything out. During her stay at SWK's client has been improving with her asthma attacks and practices her DEEP breathing techniques. Client's coping skills include drawing, coloring, and drawing.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland SCiy

**Date of the Incident:** 07/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/31/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

reported that while in the program has displayed inappropriate sexual behaviors towards her. reported that about 1½ weeks ago was standing in front of when she grabbed buttocks with both hands. told to stop and topped. reported that on 7/19/14, while was playing a video game in the common area of the facility, grabbed face with both hands and drew it towards her own face. let go of face and stood behind her, heard make a kissing noising on hand and placed the hand on top of mouth. reported that staff witnessed when placed a hand on mouth and redirected for touching also reported that on 7/29/14, placed her hands on hips. reported she pushed hands away from and told her to stop. reported that she did not report these incidents before because she thought was playing. reported that there were only three incidents and she does not feel threatened or pressured by reported she speaks to but feels uncomfortable because of the incidents.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland Guadalupe

**Date of the Incident:** 07/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/25/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

Participant stated that had asked him to break the rules multiple times. He would refuse to follow lead. The minor stated that two days ago, while in their room, had pulled his pants and underwear down and had shown participant is private parts. related that he felt okay in the room, but that he would feel more comfortable in a different room. Per the minor, he does not have any nightmares.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 08/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

At 10:00 am on 8/3/14, while in her unit (Dolphin), UAC asked for a self-time-out. UAC walked to time-out area with MHT . While in the time-out area, attending MHT observed UAC sniffing a white powder like/unknown substance out of a clear plastic bag. MHT supervisor came into the time-out area and removed the clear plastic bag from UAC. UAC was questioned about the substance and she stated that it was medication. Unit nurses were notified by MHT supervisor. Unit nurses assessed UAC and determined her vital signs were unstable. Treating psychiatrist was notified and it was ordered for UAC to be transported to Jupiter Medical Center's ER to be evaluated. A call was received by MHT who was at Jupiter Medical Center with UAC, and she stated that UAC was being baker acted because she stated that she wants to kills herself. Jupiter Medical Center reported minor was baker acted and transported to West Palm Hospital's psychiatric pavilion. As of 8/4/14, UAC remains baker acted at West Palm Hospital's psychiatric pavilion.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 08/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During recreation on the soccer field youth, reported to Shift Lead that last night grabbed his buttocks and that he reported it to the night D.C. Night DCS told him that if client did it again, to let her know and she would write a report. It was reported by shift lead that after speaking with peers, and would horseplay and show inappropriate boundaries, for example physically bumping, kicking, and flinging shoes at each other. The client denies any wrong doing on his part. states that he never hit his peer; he only "bumped" his peer during soccer games. He denies saying any bad words.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

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August 3 – August 9, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **3**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **11**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **5**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **0**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **0**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **5**
- Other: **1**

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**Total Number of major SIR: 25; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 767; Number of SIRs for FY14: 21,110**

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 08/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During recreation on the soccer field, client came to Shift Lead and reported that client smacked his buttocks as he was climbing in to bed last night, youth stated that he did not know why client touched him. Client stated that he has never disrespected his peer has not used any bad words towards him. Client denied any wrong doing.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Lighthouse

**Date of the Incident:** 08/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On time and date mentioned above client reported that 3 years ago he lived with his biological father for a period of 1 and a half years. During the time he lived with his father, client reported that his father would hit him and his siblings almost every day. Client stated that his father would make client carry a piece of heavy iron over his head while he was kneeling. Client stated that if client dropped the iron or lowered it, his father would hit him on the back with an electrical cord. Client stated that on other occasion his father put his finger in client's ear and cut him. Client stated that on many he occasions he was injured and bruised. Client stated that he would go to the local clinic to heal, however, would never tell the staff what was happening at home. In addition, client stated that he was forced to work after school and during school breaks. Client stated that his father would have client and his siblings walk to a mountain for 3 hours and carry heavy poles. Client stated that his father would leave them there to work for the day while he went home and father would get paid for their work. Client stated that he tried to run away from his father's home on 2 occasions and his father caught him and hit him. Client indicated that after one and a half years he was able to contact his mother to let her know what was happening and she immediately removed them from the situation. This has been reported to CPS and the report has been accepted.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Campbell

**Date of the Incident:** 08/03/14

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/04/14

**UAC:**

**Summary of SIR: (4)**

Clients #1 approach me in the Stage area to inform me that a client #2 or Client #3 touch her in the butt. I pulled to the side client #2 and #3 to ask what had happened. Client #2 explained to that Client #3 and him where playing with a bracelet

and client #2 pulled the bracelet from him and accidentally bumped into Client #1. Client #1 insisted in feeling harassed by both client #2 and #3, but both client #2#3 explained that it was an accident and they never would touch her inappropriately. explained to client #2 and #3 the consequences of harassing any client and that this incident would have to be documented. also explained to client #2 and #3 the importance of respecting one another and respecting each other space. Both Client #2#3 apologized to Client #1 and explained to her they never had the intention of making her feel bad. Clinician followed up and client who denied touching his female peer or having any type of physical contact with her. Client reported that he and his male peer were both pulling on a bracelet, as indicated in above report, while walking behind his female peer who was sitting down on a chair: however, he did not come into contact with his female peer. Furthermore, client stated that in the past seven days prior to this incident his female peer had been making inappropriate signs to him which he did not understand and made him feel uncomfortable. Client showed clinician the signs that female peer was making, middle finger up while all others were down, index finger being inserted into other hand which was held in a circle, signs with both hand which appeared to resemble gang signs, and "okay" hand gesture to the chest. Client denied reporting gestures.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** LSS MI

**Date of the Incident:** 08/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While at Oasis House outside, client pointed out to staff that he was sexual aroused within his private area. In doing so, another client- was exposed to the incident of inappropriate sexual behaviors. Staff immediately told him to seize his actions and went over how those actions were inappropriate sexual behaviors and client topped.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 08/01/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

As YCW was sitting on the staff desk, this minor approached and began to engage YCW in a conversation. While conversing with YCW this minor started tapping YCW on the knee. YCW was not aware of this until a separate program staff approached YCW and informed him of what just happened. This minor was asked to respect the boundaries of peers and staff and was told that there would be consequences if it happened again. During gym, again in a playful manner, this minor approached YCW and pinched YCW nipple. YCW immediately backed away from the minor and informed the minor that such behavior was inappropriate. As a consequence for this behavior, the minor was informed that he would have an early bedtime that night.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/16/14

**UAC**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/04/14

**Summary of SIR: (Addendum)**

In the context of a clinical session the minor disclosed additional information about encounters with gangs in home country that are indicative of possible trafficking concerns. The minor stated she was forced to do work for the local gang in her community. When she was 13 or 14 years old the gang members from around her community began telling her to help them and threatened that if she did not they would kill her and her family. She complied so that no harm would come to her, or her family. They would make her keep watch or be a "vigilante" and she would have to notify them if she saw police coming by making hand signs. The minor states they made her do this several times, perhaps about 15 times. She also disclosed that two of them would touch her inappropriately and one of them, multiple times, made her touch him with her hands in their genital area. They made her pay for their cell phone to be recharged with minutes with her own money multiple times. She began getting away from them by trying to avoid them by only going outside her home when it was necessary and walking with someone like her mother when she was out so that they would not bother her. She states the last time they forced her to do anything was about mid-2013. She expressed she was afraid to report this before due to

fearing they would harm her or her family. UPDATE 8.4.14: The minor disclosed additional information regarding abuse by gang members and possible trafficking concerns during a clinical session on 8.4.14. The minor reported that the gang also forced her to do deliveries or "drops". The first time she tried to refuse but they threatened her by saying they would kill her if she did not. The minor states they would have her take a suitcase, go by bus and then drop them off in specified locations. Sometimes she simply rode the bus to another station and dropped the suitcase somewhere in the bus station and other times she left them in cemeteries or by statues in town. She states they told her not to open the cases and therefore, she does not know what they were. She states the suitcases were heavy and wherever she left them she would see men pick them up. Sometimes the trips were long. Sometimes the bus trip was more than 3 hours one way and she would sometimes still have to walk far to the drop location. She was not given money for the bus fare and was forced to pay this herself. They did not pay her to do these deliveries. She would sometimes go 1-3 times per week. She does not recall exactly how many times she had to do this but states it was several times, possibly more than 50. She reported she did not report this in her initial disclosure because she was scared to but states she now realizes they were things she was forced to do. She also had to help other gang members in her school with their homework. She reports they "constantly threatened" her that she would be harmed if she said anything to anyone. Additionally, she disclosed that since she was 3 years old her older brother, [REDACTED] was in a gang and his gang member friends would come to the home even though her brother was already in prison at the time. Without her brother knowing, his friends would come to the home when she was unattended and touch her in her private parts. This continued to occur up until she traveled to the USA. They would touch her whenever they saw her. These were among the same young men who forced her to work and forced her to touch them sexually.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Leake and Watts

**Date of the Incident:** 08/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The cottage shift leader reported that [REDACTED] was crying when the group returned to the cottage from the gym area. [REDACTED] reported to the staff member that he was kicked in his left leg while he was at the gym. [REDACTED] reported it was a staff member who did it in a way to tell him that it was time to leave. [REDACTED] reported that he didn't think the staff tried to hurt him and was playing around but it did hurt him a lot. [REDACTED] reported after being asked again who did this to him that he actually didn't see the staff doing this, but he assumed it was the one behind him. [REDACTED] was told that this was going to be looked into further so we could find out who was the one who kicked him. He stated once more that he didn't see who else was behind him.

After further investigation within the QI Department it was found that Staff member from POH Program did in fact kicked minor [REDACTED] as a way to call for him so he could get ready to leave the gym with the group. Although it appears that this was horse playing (video shows this) it violates the agency's rules and regulations. Staff was placed on administrative leave as of today 8/5/14.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Conroe

**Date of the Incident:** 08/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During UAC assessment, client reported that she was sexually abused during her journey to the U.S. Client explained that one of the men traveling with her worked for the guide and he managed to get her alone during the journey in a motel. Client reported that during this time the man touched her inappropriately. Client stated that she did not know the man and does not have any information that could help identify him. Client denied any suicidal/homicidal ideations. Client denied any PTSD/ Depression symptoms.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Lackland AFB (ERC), David and Margaret, BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 07/12/14 – 8/9/2014

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/27/14 – 8/9/2014

**Summary of SIR: (9)**

A large number of UAC sponsors were contacted by individuals attempting to scam them. The scenarios differed slightly, but generally all of the callers claimed to be case managers, programs, or DHS. The callers attempted to convince sponsors to wire money in exchange for the release of UAC. Some scams were successful.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Franklin

**Date of the Incident:** 08/01/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During a mental health screening with the client listed above, she disclosed that she was touched inappropriately by a man about three days ago while on her way to the US, possibly in Mexico. Client stated that while she was asleep with a group of other immigrants, a man started to touch her breasts in a sexual manner. The client recalled being woken up by the touching. She stated that she felt shocked and scared at the time of the incident. She claimed to have walked away to another area of the room, told the perpetrator to go away, and ended up sitting in a chair the rest of the night unable to sleep. The client clarified that no other touching or penetration of any kind was done. Client was asked how she felt about the situation at this time. She stated that she still felt “shocked...because [she] had never experienced any type of abuse before”. Client became tearful during the interview.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** His House

**Date of the Incident:** 08/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor claims that on her journey to the U.S., she was sexually molested by her guide. Minor reported that the guide touched her above her clothing while they were traveling in a car and said that when she told the guide to stop touching her, he threatened to turn her in to Mexican immigration officials. Minor also claims that the guide offered to pay her to take pictures of her naked. Minor refused his offer, and no photos were taken.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Galveston Multicultural Institute

**Date of the Incident:** 08/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On Sunday at 9:30 p.m. minors \_\_\_\_\_ reported to Shift Leader \_\_\_\_\_ that when they were in church staff \_\_\_\_\_ touch (rubbed) her on her upper back area making her feel uncomfortable. Minor reported that while at church some minors went up to pray in front with the pastor she stayed in her chair. She reported that Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ approached her and staff \_\_\_\_\_ touch (rubbed) her on her upper back/ shoulder area making her feel uncomfortable.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** 08/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The clinician met with on August 5, 2014, to speak to him about a report made by a minor who is in the same hall as . The clinician explained that the allegations were by a minor in his hallway who reported that touched him over his clothes on his buttock and genital area. denied the allegations and said he did not know what it was about. stated he was not worried about it because he had done nothing of what was being reported. He stated he mainly stays with his roommates, since he has to stay in his own room when he returns to his hall, has to line up with them when they move from one location to the other and when they are in the dining room. said he usually sits with his roommate when they are in the living rooms. was emotionally stable and responded respectfully to all questions. did not have any concerns. The clinician will follow up if needed.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Lackland AFB

**Date of the Incident:** 06/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC states a Coyote grabbed her by her arm and "touched her breasts and tried to force her into a room".

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Sol

**Date of the Incident:** 08/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client indicated she had started working at a very young age, however, she stated she does not recall her exact age she started working. Client currently is 12 years of age. Before leaving COO she had worked in several jobs. She stated her mom took her to work in a home in Mexico where she performed all the housework. Client reported she would get paid \$1500 pesos a month. After working there for 2 months she worked in another home doing the housework, cooking and taking care of the children. Client stated she would get paid \$1000 pesos a month. She then went and looked for another job and started working at a Chinese buffet from 9am -9pm and would get paid \$600 pesos a week. Client stated she was laid off after working there for 4 months. This is when she worked at a food stand making quesadillas and was paid \$1000 pesos a month. Client stated she then returned home to Guatemala and left to Mexico with a friend to look for work. She indicated she worked for a month sanding wood and was paid \$1000 pesos a month, but had to quit because she got sick from the chemicals and dust in the factory. Client stated she then started working for a woman whom she took care of her child she was paid \$50 pesos a day. After working there for 2 months, the client left alone for to work for a woman at food stand and would also take care of her children she stated she would get paid about \$240 pesos a day for performing both jobs. During this time, client sent most of her money to her family. She stated she would only keep a small amount to buy her essentials and save some of it. It appears that client may have started working at the age of 10 considering the age she is now and the length of time she has been working. Client stated her mom made the arrangements when she first started working. Client stated that at first she was saddened to be away from home and to be working, but stated she felt that she could not quit as her mom had already made prior arrangements. Client indicated that after working and earning money she enjoyed working and continued to look for other jobs to help support her family in Guatemala. Client indicated when she lived and worked in her mother would visit her every 8 days or once a month. Client stated she was always personally paid and then she would send money to her family. Client expressed interest working in the U.S., however, clinician explained child labor laws prohibiting minors to be employed. Client responded positively and looks forward to attending school.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 08/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

LYCW redirected upon hearing the comment. stopped any further comments. Once back in the program LYCW spoke to . stated that since the female staff member didn't hear him she could not be bothered by his comment. LYCW reviewed the program expectations and agreed to follow them and to refrain from making

such comments again. has had several minor incidents with female staff members. However, the repeated pattern of these incidents creates a significant concern. Previous related incidents include:

8/1/2014 8pm: was making noises as a female staff member walked away from him and said, "mira si ve por ellas."

was spoken to regarding the incident and agreed to refrain from making comments of a sexual nature in the program and agreed that his behavior was disrespectful.

7/28/2014 3pm: needed to be redirected throughout the day for multiple behaviors directed toward the same female staff member. Behaviors included: picking and giving a flower the staff member, staring at the staff member and ignoring redirections to stop, attempting to enter the physical space of the staff member, ignoring requests to move away, and winking at the staff member after asking her to fill up his water bottle. spoke to Clinician regarding the incident. Minor stated he understood what Clinician was saying, but did not accept that he had done anything inappropriate. stated that the issue was not his behavior, but the staff member's interpretation of his behavior. He wrote, with help from the clinician, an apology letter to the staff member. Upon returning to the milieu he announced to the other minors that he had written a letter for his girlfriend

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** His House

**Date of the Incident:** 08/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The minor disclosed that he was kidnapped by and forced to transport drugs into the U.S. Minor claims that he was able to drop the packet with the drugs before coming into the U.S. The minor also claims he was drugged by them and woke up inside a warehouse.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 08/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/07/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

On 08/06/2014 in Charlie Room 8 at 9:50pm, Client , stated to Direct Care that was dancing and listening to music when he pulled his shorts he exposed private parts up from between his legs. After D.C. addressed he admitted to dancing and pulling his shorts up, but denies ever exposing his private parts. Client states that if anything he might have shown a little of his underwear due to the shorts being so loose from the bottom part but denies ever exposing his private area. Client was re-directed by Direct Care , Shift Lead , and Supervisor for horse playing. Supervisor, explained the rules of the house and boundaries. Client understands and apologizes for horse playing. After Supervisor redirected the client's peers in the room, they also agreed that client was just dancing and playing around and at no part did he show his private area.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** 08/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The clinician met with on August 5, 2014, to speak to him about a report made by a minor who is in the same hall as The clinician explained that the allegations were by a minor in his hallway who reported that touched him over his clothes on his buttock and genital area. denied the allegations and said he did not know what it was about. stated he was not worried about it because he had done nothing of what was being reported. He stated he mainly stays with his roommates, since he has to stay in his own room when he returns to his hall, has to line up with them when they move from one location to the other and when they are in the dining room. said he usually sits with his roommate when they are in the living rooms.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** IES Los Fresnos

**Date of the Incident:** 08/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/08/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Furthermore, [redacted] reported during the journey from Honduras to the U.S., she experienced an incident of sexual abuse by the smuggler traveling with her group. [redacted] reported when they arrived to a hotel in Mexico, the smuggler placed her group in a hotel room. [redacted] reported she fell asleep and when she woke up, she was alone with the smuggler. [redacted] stated the smuggler was known as [redacted] and [redacted] stated her mother made the travel arrangements with him because she (mother) knew him. [redacted] added she is aware [redacted] is a member of the [redacted] gang. Moreover, [redacted] reported [redacted] threatened to cut her face and one of her limbs if she did not comply to have sex with him. [redacted] reported she pleaded for him not to hurt her and stated she told [redacted] that she had been abuse before. [redacted] reported [redacted] stated he did not care and he proceeded to sexually abuse her (penetration). [redacted] reported [redacted] threatened her life if she reported the aforementioned incident. [redacted] reported [redacted] did not attempt to harm her again and he returned [redacted] to her group. [redacted] stated the next time she saw [redacted] was when she was crossing from [redacted] to the U.S. [redacted] reported [redacted] apologized to her. During the initial clinical interview, [redacted] expressed feeling sadness due to the sexual abuse she experienced by [redacted]. [redacted] reported the sexual abuse occurred seven days ago. [redacted] also reported feeling fearful of being deported to Honduras and stated she fears [redacted] or [redacted] will harm her if she returns.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 08/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/08/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC was sitting down next to another UAC ([redacted] and was observed by MHT [redacted] with her hand resting on UAC's upper thigh. [redacted] redirected both UACs for exhibiting poor boundaries and requested they separate from each other. Both UACs refused to comply with [redacted] directive. [redacted] continued to prompt UACs to move to chairs separate from each other. UAC [redacted] complied. UAC followed UAC [redacted] and sat next to her again. UAC was redirected to separate from UAC [redacted] ) and was informed by [redacted] in Spanish that she would get consequence for physical boundary breach. UAC became upset at [redacted] and questioned his directive. [redacted] walked away and was alerted by MHT [redacted] to turn around. At this time, [redacted] turned around and witnessed UAC running towards him with a metal chair raised over her head. [redacted] blocked the chair with his right arm, engaged with UAC and both fell to the floor. Staff immediately intervened and a prone personal restraint was initiated on UAC at 10:57 am. UAC was released at 11:01 am when she was no longer making physical and verbal threats towards MHT [redacted]. Nurse [redacted] spoke with UAC processing/debriefing the events leading up to the incident. UAC was escorted to the time out area to calm down and continue processing the incident. UAC verbalized she has a knife hidden in her room and is going to stab [redacted] UAC was able to calm down while in the time out area. Nurse [redacted] assessed UAC for injury and noted her right eye swollen with a 1 cm. scratch on her eyebrow. Nurse offered pain medication for discomfort, but UAC refused. Unit Staff searched UAC's room to locate the knife UAC reported she had as well as any other objects that could be used to harm herself or others. Nothing was found. UAC was escorted back to her unit (Pelican). UAC was moved to another room without any roommates. UAC was given 8 REST hours for aggression and placed on eye contact around peers as per the psychiatrist's [redacted] orders. UAC has processed this incident with the primary therapist. UAC will continue to work on identifying and implementing coping skills to manage her mood.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** 08/07/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/08/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Clients [redacted] alleged that client [redacted] showed his private parts to them. Clients [redacted] and [redacted] reported that they were playing in the middle of their room (A wing room 10) with their toy car when they heard the restroom door open. They stated that client [redacted] opened the restroom door, and while he was standing inside the restroom between the sink and tub facing their room they saw [redacted] pull his own shorts down

and expose himself to them and reported that Jorge did not leave the restroom area. Minors said that they immediately went to find DCS to report the incident. DCS informed Shift Supervisor of the incident. The Shift Supervisor reported to the incident to Associate Program Director, Clinician and Lead Case Manager. Shift Supervisor talked to about boundaries and respecting others.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Pleasant Hill

**Date of the Incident:** 08/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

According to on Monday 8/4/2014, before breakfast time, minor (15 y/o), exposed his private parts (penis) for a brief period of time, while uttering the word "mira (watch)" to him. Client indicated that the incident happened outside their rooms (8 & 9) while sitting on sofas and the exposure lasted less than 30 seconds. Client reported that this incident occurred only once and denied any other kind of incidents with client

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** St. PJ's Surge

**Date of the Incident:** 08/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/08/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During clinical assessment with minor, minor attempted to have clinician conduct a therapeutic phone call with his friend. Clinician informed minor only Case Managers are authorized to approve contacts. Clinician inquired on who this friend was and how he knew her. Minor stated this friend was a program staff member at the facility where he was at previously, Lackland AFB. Minor stated he knew he should not have had a relationship outside of boundaries and he became worried she could get into trouble. Clinician informed minor he needed to turn in the phone number and the contact information for his friend. Minor stated the staff members name was. According to minor, received a report from her supervisor because she kissed him on the forehead and gave him and inappropriate hug. Minor mentioned he had his contact information among his belongings inside his crate by his bed. Minor turned the small paper with the contact information. Clinician explained the reason for needing to remove this information from his belongings. Minor worried about his friend who was a staff member at previous placement.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/09/14

**Summary of SIR:**

In the context of clinical session minor (14) reported he was paid money after having sexual intercourse with a married woman (26) while in home country. Minor reported 2 years ago he met a woman (26) while at his sister's store. Minor reported the two of them ate lunch together and were physically attracted to one another. Minor explained he lied to the woman about his age. Minor reported he told the woman he was 15 years old instead of 13. Minor reported the woman told him she was attracted to younger men and invited him to her house. Minor reported he was happy to join her. Minor reported he was told the woman had a husband who would be away for work (truck driver) regularly. Minor reported the first time they had intercourse she paid him 500 Lempiras. Minor reported from that moment forward they began meeting twice a week. Minor stated she would pay him 500-800 Lempiras per week to sleep with her. Minor reports she would also send gifts to him through his friends. Minor reports the intercourse was consensual and they did not have an agreement in which she had to pay him. Minor explains he believes she did it either for pity or because she knew he was a minor without a job. Minor explains they cared for each other and had a great open communication. Minor denies being coerced.

Minor also reported he was held against his will at a house in Mexico and made to agree to work as a guide. Minor reported he traveled with his sister and his nephew through Guatemala and Mexico. Minor reported once they arrived to MX, they found a coyote to help them cross through the Rio Bravo. Minor shared his sister was not able to afford the money the coyote asked for to be able to cross all three of them over the Rio Bravo into the U.S. Minor reports his sister went ahead of him while the minor remained with the coyote in a house. Minor reports his sister sent the remaining money



soon after she arrived to the U.S., but the coyote did not allow the minor to leave the house. Minor reported he spent about 3 months living in the house. Minor shared he would receive some food, have access to TV, internet, a bed and be able to spend time in a hammock. Minor explains he used to be treated better at the beginning of his stay, but things changed after the wife of the coyote tried to make a sexual advance on him. Minor reported the lady touched his genitals without his consent, but he was able to stop her and not allow her to sexually abuse him. Minor reported since then he would not be allowed to wash his clothes regularly, sleep with covers, or eat warm food. Minor reported that many of the people that came into the house would leave. Minor shared the largest amount of people who be at the home would be about 17 people. Minor reports the coyote would tell him he could leave soon, but would not keep his word. Minor reported the coyote did not allow him to leave the home and would tell him the cartels would grab him, torture him, make him a killer, or be made to sell drugs. Minor reported he did not try to escape the house for fear of the cartels. The coyote told him to work for him as a guide. Minor reports he turned the coyote down many times, until finally he realized the coyote was not going to let him leave unless he agreed to work as a guide for other immigrants. Minor reports he agreed and finally was allowed to assist another guide to learn the route to the U.S. Minor reports he decided to escape and turn himself in to ICE once he arrived to the U.S. Minor reports the coyote grabbed his birth certificate once the minor told him he would work for him. Minor reported the man wanted his birth certificate so the minor would not try to escape. Minor reported his sister told him the coyote would tell her to not pressure him to release the minor or he would be turned into "la maña"(Mexican cartel) or return him dead. Minor reports his sister would be asked for money that would not be given to the minor.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Alexis Cohen

August 10 – August 16, 2014

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**Total Number of major SIR: 32; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 711; Number of SIRs for FY14: 21,821**

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Conroe

**Date of the Incident:** 06/22/14

**UAC:** Sandy Nineht Villeda Alfaro A#206794954

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/11/14

#### Summary of SIR:

Sandy and another UAC have been making sexual advances toward another girl ( ). All three youth concerned were interviewed and it was determined that there was a need to address the violation of rules and boundaries, as well as separate the aggressors. ( ) was reassessed after two days of shadow supervision in the dorm. She and the other aggressor were observed to be following rules and instructions related to direct supervision. Clinicians reinforced the importance of respecting the limits, boundaries of relationships and avoiding making inappropriate jokes. UAC reported understanding the consequences of inappropriate behaviors in and out of the shelter and they said they were willing to comply with the rules. It is recommended that they be removed from 1:1 shadow supervision at this time. The SIR, as reported, indicated that this event took place in Ft. Sill as opposed to SWK Conroe.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Rio Grande

**Date of the Incident:** 08/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/11/14

#### Summary of SIR:

Youth reported possible concern for debt bondage/labor trafficking. Upon conducting mental health assessment with youth, he indicated that while he was staying in a "bodega" waiting to be assisted with crossing into the United States, he was forced to sell merchandise to other immigrants who were also staying in the bodega. Prior to leaving home country, youth was informed that he would be traveling with a coyote from Guatemala to Mexico. After arriving to Mexico, he was informed he would stay in a bodega in Reynosa, Tamaulipas for up to eight days. Youth indicated that the coyote stayed with him in the bodega for six days and informed him prior to leaving that he would only be there a few more days. Youth reported he was in the bodega for over 30 days. He indicated that he arrived in the bodega on July 7, 2014 and within one week he was forced to sell merchandise in a makeshift store that was housed inside the bodega. Youth stated that he sold merchandise for the people in charge of the bodega for three weeks, before being allowed to leave. Youth indicated that when he arrived there was another person who was running the store but after the individual left he was put in charge of the store. He indicated that he would sell sodas, cigarettes, marijuana joints, and beer to other immigrants who were also staying in the bodega. He indicated that on most days he would work from 8:00am until midnight or 1:00am; however, on various occasions they would wake him up at 5:00am and have him sell merchandise until 3:00am. He indicated that he had no control over the hours he was asked to work and it was at their request. Youth indicated he never sold merchandise to outsiders and everything was sold internally to the immigrants. He indicated the person in charge would also sell cocaine; however, he was never asked to handle or sell the cocaine. Youth was never paid for his services nor given an option whether he wanted to sell the merchandise. Youth indicated that he feared leaving because he thought they would beat/punished him for attempting to leave. Rumors among the immigrants included that shortly prior to the youth's arrival to the bodega someone tried leaving and was beat for attempting to leave. Other rumors among the immigrants suggested

that if anyone tried leaving they could possibly be killed. Youth was not sure if the rumors were true, but he feared for his safety. He indicated that he would have to pay the people in charge for his meal. On two separate occasions he had to call his uncle to send him money so he could pay them for his meals. People in charge of the bodega would keep a large portion of the money, as a fee for the inconvenience of going to get the money for the youth. Youth indicated they would often give him little money back and sometimes he would go days without eating because he could not afford to buy food. He indicated that he once went four days without food and was only given water to drink. Youth did not want to call his family for more money because he knew the people in charge would keep most of it for themselves. He was informed by the people in charge that it was not safe for him to leave due to high immigration patrol on the border. Youth was finally given permission to leave the bodega on August 6, 2014 and it was then that he finally made his journey to the United States. Client is not sure why he spent so many days in the bodega and is uncertain if his uncle owes any money for his journey. Youth indicated that they never physically abused him; however, they would often say belittling and disrespectful comments to the youth. Youth indicated he never told his uncle or his family in home country about the living conditions in the bodega as he did not want to worry them. Youth did not express any concerns regarding his safety under his uncle's care and is hopeful for his future in the United States. Youth is not currently exhibiting any symptoms of trauma associated with his stay in the bodega. However, youth does report some mild symptoms of trauma associated with a separate incident in home country.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** SWK Combes

**Date of the Incident:** 08/10/14

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/11/14

**UAC:**

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth care worker [redacted] stated that youth [redacted] approached her and asked if she knew what happened to [redacted] while she was out. Youth [redacted] began by saying there are things going on with [redacted] that staff does not know about. YCW [redacted] then asked youth to tell her what he knows for the safety of [redacted]. Youth [redacted] spoke about an allegation regarding YCW [redacted] and youth [redacted]. Youth [redacted] also said he was on south side with both [redacted] and [redacted] and that [redacted] told him to go to dayroom because she needed to talk to [redacted] alone. Youth [redacted] also mentioned while passing through a room he saw [redacted] crying and staff [redacted] hugging him and [redacted] tried to overhear a conversation between them and he said he heard, "this is not right between us". Youth [redacted] said other youths knew about this too naming, [redacted] and [redacted]. Youth was then asked by YCW [redacted] if he wanted to speak to the Shift Leader and he declined. [redacted] notified her immediate supervisor at the time and proper documentation was completed concerning incident.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 08/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/08/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Case manager asked sponsor [redacted] if anyone contacted him asking for money for the release of his brother, client [redacted]. In the conversation, it was discovered that Mr. [redacted] girlfriend [redacted] who was the initial sponsor for the child stated that she had faxed a blank check with her signature along with a copy of her passport and resident card to a [redacted] as proof of address and upon [redacted] request. [redacted] stated that she does not recall the name of the shelter, but does recall that the shelter was in Texas. She reported it was the first shelter the child was placed at. [redacted] reported that [redacted] asked her to have \$1000.00 in her bank account as a guarantee for the release of the minor and that she would receive the money back at the end of the year. She also stated that sending the signed check would ensure that she can demonstrate to the government that she can care for the minor financially. [redacted] stated that she faxed over a copy of the blank check containing her signature which she reports was never cashed. Lead case manager called to verify the information reported to the case manager and [redacted] reported that same information however, she reports that she was not charged the money because the money was never withdrawn from her account. A search was completed regarding client's previous placement and the first placement was Southwest Key, Antigua and the case manager assigned was [redacted].

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Upon arrival to the facility, minor reported that she has a maternal aunt living in New York who was initially the sponsor for the minor. After the first phone call with the potential sponsor, she refused to continue the process and another potential sponsor, who seems to be involved in a smuggling chain, attempted to sponsor the minor. During the minor's weekly phone calls between 06/01/2014 to 08/05/2014, the following information was gathered by the minor's case manager. Minor's father disclosed that minor's cousin and potential sponsor was closely working with the smuggler who assisted the minor to come to US and the minor's father suspected to be part of the smuggler chain. Minor reported that persuaded minor's parents to send the minor to US with her and promised to minor's parents that minor would receive good job opportunities from her. Minor reported that introduced the smuggler to minor's parents to help the minor to obtain an invalid US visa. Minor reported that was assigned to receive the minor at the airport where minor was apprehended by ICE. This sponsor was actively involved in the FR process for the minor. However, after was explained the required documents and procedure (including background check), she refused to sponsor the minor anymore and suggested the caseworker have her friend, with whom the minor has no relationship, sponsor the minor. After this request was denied by the caseworker, minor's father reported that the smuggler threatened the minor's father to take action quickly or the smuggler will do harm to the family. Minor's father reported that the smuggler threatened minor's father to either have the minor return back to China or have the minor sponsored out of the facility by 08/30/2014. Minor's father reported that he was worried that the smuggler would do harm to the minor if the minor returns back to China or was sent to other family member other than this "assigned" sponsor

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/08/14

**UAC:**

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**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/09/14

**Summary of SIR: (Addendum)**

In the context of clinical session minor reported he was held against his will at a house in Mexico and made to agree to work as a guide. Minor reported he traveled with his sister and his nephew through Guatemala and Mexico. Minor reported once they arrived to (b)(6), they found a coyote to help them cross through the Rio Bravo. Minor shared his sister was not able to afford the money the coyote asked for to be able to cross all three of them over the Rio Bravo into the U.S. Minor reports his sister went ahead of him while the minor remained with the coyote in a house. Minor reports his sister sent the remaining money soon after she arrived to the U.S., but the coyote did not allow the minor to leave the house. Minor reported he spent about 3 months living in the house. Minor shared he would receive some food, have access to TV, internet, a bed and be able to spend time in a hammock. Minor explains he used to be treated better at the beginning of his stay, but things changed after the wife of the coyote tried to make a sexual advance on him. Minor reported the lady touched his genitals without his consent, but he was able to stop her and not allow her to sexually abuse him. Minor reported since then he would not be allowed to wash his clothes regularly, sleep with covers, or eat warm food. Minor reported many of the people that came into the house would leave. Minor shared the largest amount of people who be at the home would be about 17 people. Minor reports the coyote would tell him he would be leaving soon, but would not keep his word. Minor reported the coyote did not allow him to leave the home and would tell him the cartels would grab, torture him, make him a killer, or be made to sell drugs. Minor reported he did not try to escape the house for fear of the cartels. Minor shared the coyote would then tell him to work for him as a guide. Minor reports he turned the coyote down many times, until finally he realized the coyote was not going to let him leave unless he agreed to work as a guide for other immigrants. Minor reports he agreed and finally was allowed to assist another guide to learn the route to the U.S. Minor reports he decided to escape and turn himself in to ICE once he arrived to the U.S. Minor reports the coyote grabbed his birth certificate once the minor told him he would work for him. Minor reported the man wanted his birth certificate so the minor would not try to escape. Minor reported his sister told him the coyote would tell her to not pressure him to release the minor or he would be turned into "la maña"(Mexican cartel) or return him dead. Minor reports his sister would be asked for money that would not be given to the minor.

Minor reported 2 years ago he met a woman (26) while at his sister's store. Minor reported the two of them ate lunch together and were physically attracted to one another. Minor explained he lied to the woman about his age. Minor reported he told the woman he was 15 years old instead of 13. Minor reported the woman told him she was attracted to

younger men and invited him to her house. Minor reported he was happy to join her. Minor reported he was told the woman had a husband who would be away for work (truck driver) regularly. Minor reported the first time they had intercourse she paid him 500 Lempiras. Minor reported from that moment forward they began meeting twice a week. Minor stated she would pay him 500-800 Lempiras per week to sleep with her. Minor reports she would also send gifts to him through his friends. Minor reports the intercourse was consensual and they did not have an agreement in which she had to pay him. Minor explains he believes she did it either for pity or because she knew he was a minor without a job. Minor explains they cared for each other and had a great open communication. Minor denies being coerced.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Cayuga Centers

**Date of the Incident:** 08/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/11/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

Both minors listed above were taken to the nurse by Skills Trainer . Both minors had bumps on their body. Nurse said that it is possibly bed bug bites. Nurse asked the minor how many times do the sheets get changed and the minor responded every week. The nurse gave them an antibiotic cream to put on at night and in the morning after bathing. After we were done, confided in me that the sheets were not change every week. I asked her how often they were changed and she told me they haven't changed the sheets since her arrival to the foster home. I then asked her why she didn't tell the nurse when asked and she responded that she is afraid that she might be in trouble and would get "kicked out". I replied that she shouldn't be afraid and none of what she said will happen.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** LSS MI

**Date of the Incident:** 08/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/12/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

While staff was talking with another client in the hallway of client's room another client walked by and read what was displayed on staff shirt, which read "LOVE." Client pointed to upper body area as he read the shirt and other client thought he was pointing to chest area of staff Staff explained to the other client that client was just reading what the shirt said and assured to him that he was not being sexually inappropriate, because client just read what the shirt said. Client walked by again and other client insisted on asking what had occurred after being told not to do so by staff and client responded by pronouncing "LOVE" on my shirt again. Next, other client asked in Spanish to touch my shirt in my upper chest area where the word "LOVE" was displayed while told to disregard what was asked of him by other client, but the client touched staff in the upper body area (breast) anyway as she tried to prevent it by moving away and quickly ran to his room. In doing so, another client was present in the hallway at the doorway of his room and said to that what he did was wrong and no good. The client that initiated the act thought it was funny as well as client told clients that it was not funny what had occurred, and he said that he did not care because it was not him who did it, but he was the one that influenced client to do the action. spoke to both clients separately explaining to them what inappropriate sexual behaviors are.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Harlingnen

**Date of the Incident:** 07/12/14 – 8/9/2014

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 07/27/14 – 8/9/2014

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC sponsor was contacted by individuals attempting to scam them.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

SIR regarding inappropriate sexual behavior is not recorded in the UAC Portal.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** 08/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/11/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The following SIR was in this UAC's case file online, but it does not match the incident emailed in the notification. Instead, the description may belong to (above this SIR) instead.

During a session with reported that today August 11, 2014, while he was in his room with his roommate, a minor from the next room came out of the bathroom telling his roommate, "Is this what you want?" and pointed to his genital area. stated he did not see what else happened, because when he saw the minor start to tell his roommate to touch his genitals, he went to tell staff. stated he has had problems with the minor before. He reports that the minor has touched his butt while they are in line and this is why he almost became violent with the minor. He reported this happened sometime last week.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

SIR regarding exposed genitals is not recorded in the UAC Portal. SIR may of bee attributed to the UAC above this one instead

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 08/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

YCW was walking through the resident hallway, doing the typical five minute check. YCW looked through the window into Resident room and saw him lying on his back on his bed with his pants down. Resident appeared to be masturbating. YCW used her radio to report the incident and call for backup. YCW knocked on resident door and reported that he witnessed resident pulling up his pants as he got up from bed and came to the door.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Pleasant Hill

**Date of the Incident:** 08/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/11/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

Today 8/11/2014, around 6:05 pm, Staff were supervising the clients while they were writing their names on the board for an outing to the park. Suddenly, I saw client go behind the closet, so I walked over there and called out name. As soon as I called and client's name, walked away from client At the same time, the Indian clients were laughing and we asked them why they were laughing. They stated that Martha and client kissed. Then YCW and I processed incident with client in her room. was hesitant at first, but she confirmed that they did kiss for a brief period of time. After processing with I immediately informed LC about the incident and requested her assistance to process with clients as well. LC, then processed with both clients separately with the assistance of YCW for translation.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** LSS NY

**Date of the Incident:** 06/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed to Clinician that she was fondled by two coyotes during her journey. Minor reported that, at night, she had crossed the Rio Bravo with these two coyotes who were responsible for bringing her from [redacted] to the U.S. As the group was sleeping, the two men began to touch her legs and buttock, fondling her over her clothing. Minor reported that she believes they stopped as they heard a plane flying overhead.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 08/012/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported she did not feel good and asked for self-time out. She was escorted to the time out area with her one to one Ms. [redacted] where she observed pacing and trying to sniff the drywall in the time out area. Minor then asked to speak with RN Ms. [redacted]. Ms. [redacted] came to speak with minor and attempt to de-escalate her and then minor handed Ms. Jessica a bag with powder substance. Minor reported that a peer had given it to her but did not disclose who. Ms. [redacted] immediately took minors vitals and reported they were slightly elevated and immediately informed treating psychiatrist Dr. [redacted]. Dr. [redacted] instructed unit Nurse [redacted] to monitor minor's vitals every four hours and then once minor is stable continue to monitor every shift for 24 hours and at that time to re-evaluate minor. After minor handed over the bag and her vitals were completed, minor was able to calm down and she went back to her unit. Clinical team assessed for her safety, re-evaluated and updated her current safety protocol. The new safety protocol was updated to indicate the following: Minor's bed is to remain in the middle of the room, not near the wall. [redacted] is to wear clothing with no bra and staff will give her one outfit at a time. Hygiene: [redacted] is to shower on day shift ONLY. At each time 1:1 staff changes, there is to be a search completed (have [redacted] shake out her hair, put her arms up, loosen pants to be sure nothing is concealed). This search will be documented and signed off by 2 staff on the Search Form.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 08/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During session minor disclosed the following, "Minor reported he was kidnapped twice and recruited by Narcs to perform illegal labor i.e., selling drugs, and human smuggling into the United States. Minor reports being kidnapped at age 12 by the [redacted] and held captive for 2 years and forced to sell drugs. Minor reported he was kidnapped a second time by the [redacted] for two 1/2 weeks and forced to be a foot guide and help bring people into the US borders. Minor reports he made 3 trips into the United States with a group of illegal immigrants. He reported two times he was deported back to Mexico. Minor reported the 3rd time he was caught by Ice and detained in the USA after reporting his story of being a foot guide. Minor reports both times his life was threatened and was beaten to continue to these illegal activities. Minor states he fears for his life and his family's life in fear of retaliation." In addition, he confirmed his story when meeting with his legal representative, Ms. [redacted] when exploring for possible trafficking and legal relief. Primary therapist was able to process his feelings about the incident and will continue to do so in his sessions. Therapist informed case manager Ms. [redacted] of the concerns and a trafficking referral will be made by case manager.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 08/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Staff was in process of completing a pat down search on another program minor arriving from the medical department, when this minor approached the Staff conducting the pat down. This minor then turned to their side, stuck their butt out and said to the Staff conducting the pat down [redacted] "can you come check me too?" Staff directed this minor to return to [redacted]

their room for a timeout; minor refused. After multiple redirections, Staff directed all the youth to their rooms to deescalate situation with this minor. This minor then proceeded to return to their room.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/04/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

The minor disclosed additional information regarding abuse by gang members and possible trafficking concerns during a clinical session on 8.4.14. The minor reported that the gang also forced her to do deliveries or "drops". The first time she tried to refuse but they threatened her by saying they would kill her if she did not. The minor states they would have her take a suitcase, go by bus and then drop them off in specified locations. Sometimes she simply rode the bus to another station and dropped the suitcase somewhere in the bus station and other times she left them in cemeteries or by statues in town. She states they told her not to open the cases and therefore, she does not know what they were. She states the suitcases were heavy and wherever she left them she would see men pick them up. Sometimes the trips were long. Sometimes the bus trip was more than 3 hours one way and she would sometimes still have to walk far to the drop location. She was not given money for the bus fare and was forced to pay this herself. They did not pay her to do these deliveries. She would sometimes go 1-3 times per week. She does not recall exactly how many times she had to do this but states it was several times, possibly more than 50. She reported she did not report this in her initial disclosure because she was scared to but states she now realizes they were things she was forced to do. She also had to help other gang members in her school with their homework. She reports they "constantly threatened" her that she would be harmed if she said anything to anyone. She disclosed that since she was 3 years old her older brother, \_\_\_\_\_ was in a gang and his gang member friends would come to the home even though her brother was already in prison at the time. Without her brother knowing, his friends would come to the home when she was unattended and touch her in her private parts. This continued to occur up until she traveled to the USA. They would touch her whenever they saw her. These were among the same young men who forced her to work and forced her to touch them sexually. (SIR addendum completed)

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/13/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

During the course of a clinical session on 8.13.14, the minor clarified details about her sexual assaults. She reported that her guide sexually assaulted her 13 times (not 3 as noted previously) over the course of 3 days while transporting her to the USA. It is likely staff mistook the minor saying "trece/13" versus "tres/3" when she originally disclosed.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Bethany Christian Services Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 08/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During his initial mental health assessment this youth reported that he was forced into guiding immigrants from Mexico to the US by a group of men. Youth reports that he does not know their names. Youth reported that he crossed the border without inspection on three occasions. He said that he was deported the first two times and expected to be deported the third time. On his last trip this youth reported that he walked for six days and only took occasional naps. This youth did not say if these men are from a certain cartel. He did say that the most prominent cartel in the area where he lives is \_\_\_\_\_

This youth reports that he does not believe that anyone is looking for him and does not believe that he or his family is currently in any danger. This youth appeared sad and anxious during the conversation and did not provide details on how he was forced, when he began doing this work or what the conditions were.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Conroe

**Date of the Incident:** 06/01/14

**UAC:**



**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/14/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

The client stated she reported the information differently when she came to Casa Conroe because in the previous shelter she was told she wasn't going to be able to work and that she needed to go to school. Client stated she and her sister reported that information to their aunt who then said they would go to school and work when they were able to work. The client stated she asked the aunt about coming to the US to work and the aunt said that she could. The client stated the aunt also said that the girls could work off their debt of 12,000 Quetzal to the "coyote" for crossing them over. The client stated that the aunt said she could arrange for her to work picking grapes and that she could go to work with her since the client's sister was going to babysit the aunt's child. Case manager [redacted] has spoken to the client's mother, father, aunt, and uncle all are giving different stories. Case manager attempted to contact clients' aunt [redacted] and left a detailed voice message explaining the transfer of both clients to Casa Conroe. Immediately case manager received a call from a different number and the caller identified himself as [redacted]. [redacted] stated that he was in charge of his nieces' case. He provided a phone number and he also stated to deal with him about anything regarding the case and not his wife. Case Manager interviewed Clients' mother [redacted]; case manager used a translator to ensure that [redacted] understood all questions during the interview. During the interview [redacted] stated that initially her daughters' Martha [redacted] were heading to a place called "Florida" to study. [redacted] reported that her daughters were traveling to the United States to stay with unknown persons from their village in Guatemala. [redacted] explained that individuals from the village are taking families' children to the states to give them education and a better life. She stated that she does not know the individuals' names because her husband was the one who made all the arrangements for her daughters' trip. [redacted] explained that she was confident because other people from their village had sent children and they had made it to the United States with the same people; therefore she thought her daughters would make it too. [redacted] stated that her husband borrowed money from family members in Guatemala to pay the coyote. [redacted] reported that her sister-in-law was not aware of her daughters' trip to the states because they were supposed to arrive in Florida with the individuals that promised to help give her daughters an education [redacted] reported that once the coyote reached the Mexican border in the United States he called and asked for more money in dollars to get the clients across to the United States. [redacted] stated that her husband contacted the people that promised to care for the minors in Florida but they declined to help with money. [redacted] decided to call [redacted] for help. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was surprised to hear that [redacted] and [redacted] were traveling to the States and she agreed to help. Furthermore; [redacted] stated that [redacted] agreed to send \$1600 Dollars (\$800/Child) to the coyotes to help [redacted] and [redacted] get across. The clients were later apprehended by immigration. [redacted] was also questioned about [redacted] and [redacted] previous statement about traveling to the United States to work. Angelina stated that she does not know why her daughters lied about going to the US to work, she believes that the clients were nervous and scared and probably thought it could help them stay in the states. Additionally, [redacted] reported that after her daughters were detained, her husband [redacted] explained to her that a relative in Santa Cruz Barillas was sick and he was going to go care for the relative. [redacted] explained that her husband [redacted] told her that their daughters had been detained by immigration and that if someone called, for her to say that he had to go care for a family member in Barillas. [redacted] reported that she had not seen her sister in law [redacted] since about 15 years ago, but that she believed that even though [redacted] and [redacted] were born after [redacted] left Guatemala she could care for them and give them a good future. [redacted] also said that [redacted] agreed to care for the clients and that she now has "some type" of legal status. [redacted] stated that she wants for her daughters to be released to [redacted] and her husband. The aunt stated that she never gave any money to the coyotes and that she did not help plan the trip. She restated that she was unaware of the client's plan to travel to the United States. [redacted] stated that after talking to the clients, she talked to [redacted] and [redacted] and they stated that the clients were going to Florida to stay with [redacted] cousin in Georgia but that she had no legal status therefore could not claim the minors. [redacted] stated that she does not know the name of [redacted] cousin and that she does not know any other family members in the US. [redacted] reported that she traveled to Guatemala about two years ago on October to visit her father who lives in the same house as [redacted] and [redacted] said that she traveled to Guatemala with her 10 and 4 year old children and that the clients were there when she arrived. She also stated that she calls to Guatemala often but that she never had phone communication with the clients. Additionally Case manager questioned [redacted] about her employment history; [redacted] stated that her previous job was at a candle manufacturing company and that other than that she had never worked in the states. [redacted] also stated that she lived in Florida for about 12 years and that her and her family moved to Georgia about a year ago. [redacted] stated that she had recently talked to her brother [redacted] in Guatemala and

provided case manager with a contact number. Case Manager contacted the client's father During the phone interview stated that he paid a coyote 12000 Quetzals and that his sister had no idea about his daughter's trip to the United States. He stated that he has no money to give his daughters an education and that a friend from the village referred him to the coyote. stated that his daughters came to the states to study and not to work. When case manager asked for the name of the friend that referred him to the coyote hesitated to answer and he replied that he is a friend from the village in a place called Florida. Case manager insisted on obtaining the name of this friend and stated that the name is He later stated that was the person that was supposed to care for his daughters in Florida but can no longer help because he had to go back to Guatemala. stated that had been back in the village for about 2 or 3 months. Additionally stated that he had not seen his sister in about 2 years and that the last time he saw her she had 2 children with her. He reported that his sister was not working because she was laid off from her job at a candle manufacturing company and that she agreed to care for and A home study is necessary at this point. Client denies and does not present with any PTSD or depression symptoms. Client denies any current suicidal/homicidal thoughts or plans.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Casita del Valle

**Date of the Incident:** 08/09/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client reported a history of threats while in her COO as well as sexual abuse while traveling to the US. Client stated that she received threats beginning in January 2014 and the threats continued about once a month, until she traveled to the US (June 2014). Client stated that a gang member (name unknown) threatened her after she refused to become his girlfriend. Client stated that about once a month, she would see him when she walked by herself to the store or to run errands. According to client, he threatened to take or and/or rape her. Client stated that although the threats occurred once a month they did not escalate. An SIR will be submitted with this information. Client indicated that she was raped by two men while in Mexico, prior to crossing into the US. Client indicated that on August 9, 2014, while waiting to cross into the US, she separated herself from her travel group in order to use the bathroom. While she was separated she was approached from behind by two men, whose faces were covered with black masks. Client stated that they put a piece of cloth over her mouth (which smelled strong, like alcohol). Client stated that she became dizzy and was not able to scream (client denied a loss of consciousness). Client stated that both men raped her and left. Client stated that she does not believe that the men traveled with her or continued to travel with her after the incident.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Catholic Charities Houston

**Date of the Incident:** 08/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During Case Management intake, minor reported she was arrested today 8/14/14 upon her arrival at a location agreed upon to meet with a man for the purposes of prostitution. The minor reports the man she had agreed to meet was a police officer and there were many police officers at the designated location. Minor reports this was the first time she was engaging in prostitution.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Morrison LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

reported during his weekly in-home session that during his journey in November 2013, he reported being sexually abused by an adult female coyote while staying in a safe home in Mexico before crossing the border. stated that he does not know the name of the female coyote and he believes she was over 40 years-old. elaborated that the female coyote's responsibility was to mainly stay in the safe home to supervise people and would help at times to cross over people to the US. stated that the female coyote would be befriend him by saying nice comments, gave him extra food, and would buy him sodas. stated that the female coyote would follow him to the shower area and would

caress his body and touch him in his body parts inappropriately. stated that on various occasion the female coyote would approach him to touch and caress his stomach, nipples, and buttocks. expressed that the female coyote would convince him to drink beers and would tell him degrading comments such coward and hoe to make him drink and become drunk. stated that the coyote female would smoke marijuana often and would blow on his face/nose and he felt that the second hand marijuana smoke along with the alcohol made him feel dizzy, confused, and disoriented. stated that the female coyote would tell him that if they did not have sex, she was not going help him cross the border and it would take longer for him to cross the border. stated that she was very persistent and he was not sure of what to do, but he did know he wanted to cross the border soon. stated that he was manipulated and obligated to have sex with the female coyote and said he had full intercourse sex four times. He added that she performed oral sex and asked to do the same for her, and he refused to do so many times. stated that he did not want to have sex with her because she was old, fat, and ugly. stated that he was starting to feel bad because he stayed about two weeks in the safe home and there were a lot of people leaving and he was one of the few youth staying there. stated that the female coyote was the one that helped him cross the border before being detained by ICE officials.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** KidsPeace

**Date of the Incident:** 08/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC reports her childhood was filled with both happy and sad moments. She reports that her father was an alcoholic and she believes he abused additional substances as well. The UAC reports when she was between the ages of 5 and 7, she can recall that he father often hit her mother. When asked to describe how her father hit her mother, the UAC indicated he would beat in any way that he possibly could. She reports he punched her, pushed her, kicked her, slapped her and pulled her hair. The UAC denies physical abuse by her father. The UAC reports at the age of 7 her parents separated and the UAC and her 4 siblings (the UAC is the middle child), moved to another house with her mother. The UAC reports this is when everything changed. The UAC reports her mother began to abuse alcohol and would leave the children (all under the age of 15 at the time) alone at night while she went out to the bar. The UAC reports her mother began to blame the children for her separation with the father. The UAC reports her mother would say things like “you children are the reason your father hit me.” The UAC reports after nights of partying and drinking, her mother would come home and begin hitting and yelling at the children. The UAC reports her mother would wake the children up and begin hitting them with whatever object she could find (belt, shoe, furniture etc.). The UAC reports this went out for 4 years and her mother’s behavior and alcoholism continued to get worse. The UAC reports when she was 11 years old, her mother left the home, abandoned the children and moved out. After her mother left, the UAC reports she continued to send money to the children so they could pay for rent in the house where they resided. The UAC reports occasionally the mother would call to talk to the children. The UAC reports her oldest sister who was 16 at the time became primary caretaker of the four children who remained in the home. The UAC reports eventually this sister also left the home and another sister who was age 15 at the time became primary caretaker of the three children who remained in the home. Over time this sister left the home, placing the UAC in charge of taking care of herself and her two younger siblings. The UAC reports she became primary caretaker around the age of 14. Her two youngest siblings began to tell their mother that they did not living with the UAC. At this point, the mother assumed custody of the two younger children and asked the UAC to move in with her. The UAC reported she chose not to go with her mom because they “do not have a good relationship” and she “does not trust mother.” The UAC reports she is angry that her mother abandoned her when she was little. The UAC reports for the past year she has lived on and off with her mother but has spent most of her time in the streets with friends and living alone in the house where she grew up. The UAC reports her mother sent her money to maintain this residence and she worked on and off doing odd jobs such as cutting hair and babysitting to pay for food and necessities. The UAC reports when her mother found out the UAC was pregnant she offered to help the UAC (UAC is five months pregnant). However the UAC reports her mother is a liar and she does not believe her mother truly wanted to help her. The UAC reports her mother would often take her in and then kick her out. The UAC reports for the past 3-5 months she has lived completely on her own and a neighbor occasionally helped her with things such as supplying food. (Drug Abuse) The UAC reports she began using drugs and alcohol at the age of 13. The UAC reports she has tried cocaine a few times. The UAC reports for the past two years she has used alcohol (tequila, rum, vodka, whiskey) combined with marijuana on a daily basis. She reports frequent use of marijuana and alcohol for the past 4 years in total. The UAC denies symptoms of withdrawal and reports she is not addicted to the drugs. The UAC reports she used the drugs when she was sad or mad and for fun. The UAC reports she last used marijuana and alcohol in July 2014.

The UAC reports she began cutting her wrists and thighs at the age of 13. The UAC also reports she burns herself with cigarettes. There are visible burn marks and scars related to cutting on the UAC's arms. The UAC reports sometimes she did this to make little drawings on her body; however most of the time she did this due to feelings of sadness and anger. The UAC reports she would use any object sharp enough to cut (needles, box cutter, razors, pencils, eating utensils, lids from cans etc.). The UAC reports she last had self-injurious behaviors approximately 3-4 weeks ago. The UAC reports 4 prior suicide attempts. The last attempt occurred three months ago when the UAC jumped off a bridge. The UAC reports she suffered cuts and bruises but did not receive medical attention. The UAC reports additional attempts included attempting to: strangle herself with a rope, cut her veins, drown herself. The UAC reports she had "muchas ideas" when discussing ways that she imagined she would kill herself. The UAC denies current suicidal ideations. The UAC reports she often got into fights in her home country with both men and women. She reports no current homicidal ideations but reports in the past she has had thoughts of hurting others. The UAC reports she occasionally has nightmares. She reports recent nightmares of people telling her to do bad things (i.e. hurt others). The UAC reports she always wakes up when this is happening and she can never recall the face of the people in the dreams. Her last nightmare is reported as 1 month ago. The UAC reports sexual abuse in the form of fondling on two separate occasions. At the age of 14, the UAC reports her mother's boyfriend came into her bedroom while she was sleeping and began to fondle her under her clothing. She woke up and told him she would report him and this never happened again. The UAC reports she never told anyone about this incident. The UAC reports when she was about 15 years old, one evening she was drunk and sleeping and her sister's fiancé began to fondle her. She has recollections of him touching her breasts and vagina. The UAC reports she woke up screaming and she told her sister about the incident. The UAC reports her sister blames her for this incident. The UAC reports approximately 5 years ago, she burned the table, sofa, and chairs in her family home. The UAC reports she used a lighter to set fire to the objects. She reports she did this because she was mad and angry with her mother. The UAC's mood was stable throughout the interview. She maintained eye contact with this clinician and maintained steady speech. Her mood and affect were normal. She was oriented to time, person, self, and place. The UAC appears to have limited insight into her behaviors. It is this clinician's impression that the UAC lacks healthy coping skills to deal with abandonment issues, residual effects of trauma, anger issues and symptoms of depression. This clinician has concerns about the UAC's current mental health functioning.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Bokenkamp

**Date of the Incident:** 07/11/14

**UAC:**

(b)(6)

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC (b)(6) disclosed she had been sexually assaulted in form of rape and robbed in Mexico during her journey to the United States. UAC specified that on July 11, 2014 at 9:00 P.M. her group was advised they were going to walk approximately twenty miles to a wooden area to board a bus that would continue to take them to their destination. UAC reported while they were walking a group of bandits stopped them, threatened them with guns, and immediately began to physically assault them. UAC specified being sexually assaulted and robbed of one hundred dollars by three masked men that night. UAC also stated witnessing the bandits beat and rob the other individuals from the group. UAC stated neither she nor any of the other individuals reported the incident to the authorities at the time. UAC also reported she did not seek any medical attention after the sexual assault.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Sol

**Date of the Incident:** 08/15/14

**UAC:**

(b)(6)

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client disclosed to Clinician that she was sexually abused by an unknown aggressor back in her COO. Client reported that she went to the store one night around 7:00pm and on her way back a man in his mid-20s came out of the bushes and hit her and that is all she remembers. Client stated that she woke up on the street and she was crying and sore and so she went home and told her cousin what had happened and her cousin took her to the hospital, where she got medications. Client's cousin informed client's parents about this incident and they reported to the police but unfortunately nothing came out of it. As a result of this attack, Client is currently 35 weeks pregnant and she is not clear to travel.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** LSS of MI TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The foster parent observed the minor, age 5, cuddling with the family cat, which he had not done before. He then pulled down his pants and attempted to put his penis in the cat's mouth. Foster mother called agency on-call phone to report incident.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Crittenton Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 08/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client stated gang members in his home country known as \_\_\_\_\_ verbally threaten him to do jobs for the gang. Client stated he was forced to break into cars and wash cars that belong to the gang members. Client stated he was told to do the jobs or he would be killed. Client stated he was first approached in December 2009 and continued doing jobs for the gang until approximately April 2013, when he left his home country. Client stated his primary reason for coming to the US was to escape the gang members. Client stated his parents confronted the gang members asking them to stop. The client stated the gang members replied back to parents stating, "He belongs to us, he is not yours."

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** St. PJ's Home

**Date of the Incident:** 08/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/15/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Client and Clinician spoke about Client's reported activity of being forced to work for the Cartels back in HC. Client denied knowing what was inside the coolers when he was asked to unload the boats. Client stated that he did receive payment of 1,000 Lempiras which is the equivalent of around \$47 each time. Client stated that after six months of unloading coolers with unidentified merchandise, he left his home town to move to the city in order to survive with his mother. Client denied any concerns in regards to this matter at the current time. Clinician \_\_\_\_\_ LPC Intern.

08/15/14: Client and Clinician called aunt (Sponsor) in order to inform her of what Client had disclosed in regards to the work he was forced to do by the Cartels. Sponsor was very understanding stating that when one lives in Honduras and a Cartel tells someone to do something, one needs to do it; if not, they will kill the person and their entire family. Sponsor was very understanding while Client disclosed what is stated above and mentioned that he only wanted to protect his family. Sponsor said she was worried about minor and that she had brought him over because she had already experienced losing family members due to the violence in Honduras. Sponsor stated that as soon as Client arrived with her he would be sent to school and taken care of by her.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Children's Village

**Date of the Incident:** 08/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ received a phone call from Mr. \_\_\_\_\_, Assistant Supervisor informing her of an incident. According to Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ (Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ Case Manager) and Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ were walking to the Day Care when they saw that Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ was in the Day Care back yard without the minor. As they got closer they saw that the minivan was running and the key was in the ignition and the minor was in the vehicle. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ immediately secured the keys and Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ looked to see if minor was safe. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ waited with Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ and the minor until Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ came out of the Daycare and handed him the key to the minivan. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ and Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ took the minor walking to medical for his medical appointment

## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Alexis Cohen

August 17 – August 23, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **0**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **5**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **7**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **2**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **1**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **3**
- Other: **2**

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**Total Number of major SIR: 20; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 434; Number of SIRs for FY14: 22,255**

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/16/14

**UAC:**

(b)(6)

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/17/14

#### Summary of SIR:

The minor reported that her mother used to treat her well until she was older, about 10 years old. She reported that five years ago her mother stopped sending her to school and put the minor to work in the mother's business to help out the family. The minor stated she wanted to continue to study but her mother made her stop going, saying that it was useless because the girls who went to school only came back "with bellies" (pregnant). Her mother initially had a tortilla business in which the minor was made to work daily after waking at 2 am until about 8 pm when she went to bed. Several years ago her mother switched to another food business making a typical cultural food called "pupusas". The minor would help with tasks and making and selling them. She worked from about 6am until 8pm. The minor stated there was too much work and she did not like to do it. She last worked with her mother 3/31/14, the day before she fled her mother's home.

The minor stated her mother became verbally and physically abusive around the time she was taken out of school and made to work. The minor reported that if she expressed not wanting to work or not doing the work correctly, the mother engaged in coercive practices such as hitting the minor repeatedly if she refused. The minor would then work mainly for fear of being hit or related intimidation. She was verbally abusive to the minor daily, making derogatory comments to her if she did not get up and work or listen to her mother. The minor stated she does not know how many times her mother hit her physically because it was several times. She estimates her mother may have hit her about 3 times per week. She would hit her if she did not work, or follow the mother's instructions. The minor stated she would typically hit her either with an open hand or use objects such as belts, rope or cords. She would hit her usually on her back and sometimes leave red marks that faded shortly after. The minor reported she once hit her with a wooden stick on her legs and left her whole thigh very badly bruised for 15 days.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** SWK Casa Houston

**Date of the Incident:** 08/15/14

**UAC:**

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/16/14

**Summary of SIR: (16)**

At 4:30pm in Cici's Pizza, (YCW), while monitoring staff and clients, was approached by an unknown person asking questions of the program he works in. The unknown person asked "do you work for southwest key" and Youth Care Worker replied "Yes, I do". The unknown person stated "that he was a lawyer and that he worked on cases for undocumented children". Then the unknown person moved from where Youth Care Worker was sitting. After he moved he pulled out his cell phone and started taking pictures of the clients and staff. Then at 4:37pm Youth Care Worker immediately called (ASL) informing her about the situation (ASL) informed Youth Care Worker quietly and calmly in an orderly fashion to leave the restaurant. While transitioning back to the shelter from the restaurant at 4:52pm staff noticed that they were being followed by the unknown person. Youth Care Worker immediately called (ASL) about the situation and was advised to come straight to the shelter.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Mesa

**Date of the Incident:** 08/01/14

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/18/14

**UAC:**

**Summary of SIR:**

Staff documented client went to the restroom without permission and changed his shorts outside of the restroom. Staff documented she saw client without his shorts. Staff documented client stated "eso te pasa por mala, porque me tartan mal."

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland Beverly

**Date of the Incident:** 08/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

reported that UAC on more than one occasion, had hit UAC rear end with the palm of his hand. UAC reported most recent occasion being this afternoon in line when UACs were transitioning to another floor. Program Manager revised camera footage concerning reported incident. Program Manager confirmed UAC Fernando hitting UAC rear with the palm of his hand. Program Manager and met with both UACs in regards to this incident. UAC reported he was "bromiando" "horseplaying." UAC was reminded it is required for all UACs to respect each other's personal space and that under no circumstance is it appropriate to touch, hit or grab another person. UAC was reminded horse playing is not allowed in program. UAC confirmed he understand these mandatory house rules and will comply. Appropriate safety measures and behavior management were placed into effect immediately. In addition, UAC will be closely monitored as well as placed in front of line during transitions to avoid any future incidents.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 08/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

At about 9:35pm resident stated to YCW that all of the kids here at Paso are snorting white pills. YCW asked if the pills are from the med office, and said no, that some residents had brought them into the facility. YCW asked which residents were involved in taking the drugs and when it was happening. stated all the residents are snorting the white pills and at all the times of the day, but mostly in the evenings. also stated that he does not participate in the snorting of the drugs.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland ICC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/19/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/19/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed that she was sexually accosted by the coyote twice during her travel to the United States. Minor reports during her stay in [redacted] MX she was in a room by herself when the coyote came in and crawled into the bed with her, attempting to fondle her. She continuously rejected his advances and was getting ready to go sleep on the floor when other people entered the room and the coyote stopped harassing her. The minor reported a second time where the coyote was rubbing her shoulders and touching her back while in the dining area, the minor asked the coyote to stop touching her. Minor reported the coyote stopped touching her and minor denied any further harassment from the coyote.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 08/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/19/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

On August 18, 2014 between the hours of 10:30 am and 10:45 am, while on break in Alpha house, youth reported to Direct Staff [redacted] that he saw both youths, [redacted] and [redacted] holding hands. While they were holding hands, youth [redacted] . passed his hand to client Rubi P.J. and rubbed his hand between his abdomen and private area.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 07/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/19/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Minor reports that the local gang members were members of the 18th street gang. When he had to work, he would lie to his mother and say that he was going out with friends, or he would ask permission to visit the houses of friends, when in reality he would go to the job. The minor reports that he would perform the tasks of collecting extortion money approximately 2 to 3 times a week, although sometimes they would seek him out only once a week. He states that it differed from week to week and that they would seek him out when they had an assignment for him. The minor does not remember the exact date of when he was kidnapped, but remembers that it was a Friday in June. The minor reports that he was outside of a shoe store in his town when he was kidnapped. He reports that something was put over his head, and that a cloth was pressed to his mouth, which made him sleepy. He guesses that he was drugged, as he does not remember much of what happened after he was taken. The minor reports that when he was abducted, he was alone as far as he knew. He knows that he was kept at an unknown location overnight before he was taken and arrived at the final destination, which was the run down house in what, he later discovered, was Mexico. He states that his head was covered most of the time, so his awareness of his surroundings was limited. He reports that he was the only person who was being held while in the run-down house in Mexico. He reports that there were other persons there, but that they would only smoke and hang out, which lead him to believe that they were not in his same situation. The minor reports that he was put to work cleaning windshields on the street by his captors. He states that he would stand by a traffic light and when the traffic stopped, he would clean windshields. All money he earned was taken away from him per his report. The man who ended up helping him first approached him at the traffic light when he was in his car. He states that as he cleaned the man's windshield, the man began to talk to him, and offered to help him, and invited him to get in his car. The minor reports that he initially did not trust the man after all that had happened to him thus far, and refused the man's help. He states that the man then drove off, apparently parked his car, and returned on foot to talk to the minor and offer him help. The minor states that he is sure the man offered him help because he felt sorry for him based on his appearance. The minor states that he was dirty and wearing torn clothes at this point. The minor reports that he decided to go with the man the same day he spoke to him, and that he never returned to the run-down house where he was held. He reports that after talking to the man for a portion of his day, he decided to take a chance, and just left with the man. He did not return to the run-down house.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking



**Facility:** Heartland Guadalupe

**Date of the Incident:** 8/20/2014

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 8/20/2014

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor stated that a guide who had traveled with them from Honduras also accompanied them across the border into the United States. Minor stated that she was with her 29-year-old aunt and her 12-year-old cousin who is currently at the facility with minor. Minor stated that together they walked about four hours to a car and were then taken to an apartment in Alamo, Texas that was occupied by a male (approximately 50 years old) who appeared to be the owner. Minor stated that they were left there by the guide for two days and two nights. Minor stated that the guide stopped in once a day to bring food and then left. Minor stated that there were 16 women and 6 men in this apartment and they all stayed in the same room. Minor stated that while in the apartment the owner threatened them by saying "if you don't leave my apartment I'll call the police or cut you up". Minor stated that on one occasion the owner masturbated outside of their room and when one of the men tried to shut the door the owner swung knives at him so as to keep the door open. Minor stated that she, her cousin, and another minor were put in the closet of the room for protection in case the owner tried to harm them. Minor stated that on one occasion the owner spoke to a 25 year old man that was also staying in the apartment and asked him to help sell the woman for sex for \$40 dollars each. Minor stated that she did not hear the owner saying this but that the 25 year old man told the rest of the group of the plan and that he had refused to help. Minor stated that the guide who had taken them to the apartment arrived the following day with food and they informed him of the owner's plan. Minor stated that the guide moved them to another apartment that same day. Minor stated that they were put in the apartment for 17 days and told not to leave because they could be kidnapped or held for ransom by other guides if they were found. Minor stated that they were given food once a day and the women and children stayed in a room separate from the men. Minor stated that she and her aunt and cousin were let go after 17 days and were then guided by foot for a few hours before getting in a car. Minor stated that after a short time driving, the guides left them in the car and immigration officers found them and detained them shortly after. Minor stated that her father (current sponsor in the US) is aware that minor was held in these apartments during her journey because her aunt had a cell phone with her that they were able to use.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** IES Hidalgo Foster

**Date of the Incident:** 08/19/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/19/14

**Summary of SIR:**

I.E.S. Hidalgo received a phone call from foster parent informing that she found a bottle of pills inside UAC backpack. Foster parent advised that the bottle of pills was white with a red label that read "Shot B G.S. Ginseng 400". Foster parent was advised to send her the bottle of pills immediately to her office.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** Seton Home

**Date of the Incident:** 08/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Resident disclosed during initial clinical assessment on 8-20-2014 that she is currently 33 weeks pregnant. The resident reported that her pregnancy was not consensual. The resident reported that she was sexually assaulted by her sister's boyfriend in January. The resident reported that he is a Nicaraguan male about 40 years old and works as a police officer. He sexually assaulted her in her home one evening when her sister was not home. The resident reported that he threatened to kill her and her sister if she told her sister about it or if she reported him to the authorities. The resident denied seeking medical attention after the assault. The resident reported that he continued to have a relationship with her sister and they would argue frequently, but denied knowing about or witnessing any abuse perpetrated by the male towards her sister. The resident reported that he would threaten her frequently when her sister was not around, but denied any further abuse occurring. The resident reported that soon before departing from home country on 7-13-14 she disclosed this information to her sister. Her sister wanted to report the incident, but did not for fear that he would kill them. The resident disclosed a history of childhood abandonment by both of her parents. The resident reported that when she was 6 or 7 years old, she and her sister had been abandoned by her parents and left in the care of a maternal aunt. The

resident denied ever having any contact with either parent again, or knowing their current whereabouts. The resident reported that her sister and her resided with their aunt and her 3 children until 3 years ago. The resident reported that she had been residing with her sister in a rented home for the past 3 years and her grandmother (sponsor) financially supported them. The resident denied any family history of physical, verbal, or sexual abuse.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/20/14

**UAC:**

(b)(6)

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed a history of suicidal ideation and gestures due to stress of abandonment, receiving threats and being coerced to engage in sexual activity. The details the minor provided are indicative of possible trafficking. The minor disclosed she fled home country from threats and coercion. The minor explained that both parents abandoned the family. The minor and her two younger sisters continued to live in the home because her grandmother lived in the home next door and would care for them daily. However, the grandmother soon became ill from diabetes and strokes when the minor was 13 and could no longer speak or get out of bed. When she was 13, a man, from a group who called themselves "Los Olanchanos", came to her home and began forcing her to pay him "renta" (200 lempiras per day). She never knew his name and states he was at least 35 years old. The minor stated the man was not a gang member, but part of a group who "cleaned the streets" of the town ridding it of gang members. However, they were also known for threatening people for money and would not let people leave the town. He threatened to kill her if she did not pay and on days she could not pay the full amount, he would force her to have sexual intercourse with him as her payment. The minor reported he assaulted her sexually in this manner multiple times beginning at age 13 because sometimes she did not have the money or at times needed the money for her and her sisters to live off of. Shortly after he began forcing her to pay the "renta", the minor asked him if he could help her get a job so she could have money to pay him. He made a false ID and began connecting her with different jobs. The minor would do different jobs. She worked in a supermarket working with inventory and giving product samples. At another time, she worked selling flowers and then in a clothes store. The minor would work about 4 days per week from 9am until about 6pm. She was typically paid 5,000 Lempiras per month, of which she was expected to give the equivalent of 200 lempiras per day to the man collecting renta. She states he would come by on Saturdays usually to pick it up. About 2.5 months ago, the minor told him she did not want to work for him anymore because she could no longer carry on with these experiences. He grabbed her angrily by the shoulders and pushed her, causing her to fall back and hurt her back on the corner of a table. She recalls not being able to get off the floor for some time and was not able to get out of bed for many days. The man, seeing she was hurt, brought her medication to help her get better and would visit her while she was home injured. When she felt better, she traveled to the USA. A man who usually guarded the town to know who left and entered helped her to leave the town so she could begin her trip north. As a result of these experiences, she struggled emotionally due to abandonment, stress of caring for her sisters, and the threats and coercion she was experiencing. She began feeling depressed and having suicidal ideation at age 13. She engaged in cutting with razors with the intent to end her life about once per month. She denies ever cutting deeply. She reported only having two very faint scars on her wrist/forearm that this clinician could barely see. She also reports there were times she stuck herself with needles. The minor states she continued with wanting to end her life and engaging in cutting from ages 13-15. At 15 she went to a religious retreat where she was able to confide in an adult about her problems and receive counsel from them. She reports this retreat helped her to feel much better. She has not had suicidal ideation or engaged in self-injury since. She denies any current thoughts to harm herself and feels safe in the center. She is able to use appropriate coping skills.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** SWK Nueva Esperanza, BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** 08/20/14

**UAC:**

(b)(6)

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Unknown individuals attempted to scam sponsors by requesting funds in exchange for UAC currently in care.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland Beverly

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown **UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

SIR regarding trafficking concerns is not recorded in the UAC Portal.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** St. PJ's

**Date of the Incident:** 08/20/14 **UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/21/14

**Summary of SIR:**

rushed towards the staff member and kissed her and gave her a hug. The staff member proceeded to redirect and explained to him that the behavior was inappropriate. Again while in line to pick up his snack after school at 3:20 pm, again approached the same staff member and kissed her right cheek and then gave her a big smile after the incident. The staff again explained to that the action was inappropriate and reminded him of boundaries.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 08/20/14 **UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

disclosed to clinician that at age 12 he was recruited to work as a foot guide by a man who he met in a park that gave him a soccer ball and money. He reports that although he started working voluntarily as a foot guide at age 12, by age 15 he decided that he did not want to continue doing this work because he was tired due to having to do up to three trips a day across the border. He reported that at this point that he was told by the people he worked for, "this is not a game and you are not a child anymore." They told him that he had to keep working for them. He reported that these people were always armed and he was afraid of them. He stated that they would come to his house and take him from his home to do this work because he was their only guide. Minor stated that his parents knew that this was happening but that they "could not help him." He stated that at one point he thought of escaping to the U.S. with his contact in Texas that normally transported him while working. He stated that this person offered to let him stay but then later took him back and he was hit by the people who he worked for in Mexico due to having tried to leave them. He stated that he was hit by them on three occasions. He stated that he is not sure what would have happened to him if he had stopped working for them entirely. He is unsure if they are looking for him or what they would do to him upon his return. He believes that they may have been arrested by the Mexican army recently.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/13/14 **UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/21/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Today while attending a doctor appointment, minor also disclosed more information about what occurred in his journey to USA, after leaving the Safe House in . Due to not knowing American law, minor states he was afraid to reveal this information previously. He stated that the coyotes handed him and his group over to another group of armed men, who wore masks, just across the river. believes that these men might have been affiliated with the , due to several statements that he overheard. Minor states that these masked men threatened him and the other immigrants to carry several suitcases (he thinks his weighed roughly 25 lbs) loaded with drugs. says he saw inside one of the bags, and he saw marijuana and cocaine in packages. He states that he did not want to do this job, but believed he had no choice due to the guns pointed at him and the stranded situation he was in at the border. He heard that the plan was for him and the others to walk all the way to Houston with these packages. states that he carried for the masked men for some duration and was not sure how to escape. He was prodded by the butt of the gun at times to keep marching. Finally, after a day, the group fell asleep at night, and was able to flee the group and ran into the countryside carrying nothing in his hands. Minor says he ran for 3 hours straight, due to being so frightened of the masked men. He says he eventually found a farm, and asked for help (to make a phone call, get water) from the man living there. The civilian called the local police, and was picked up by ICE officials.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Rio Grande

**Date of the Incident:** 08/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/22/14

**Summary of SIR:**

It was during her second journey that she was sexually assaulted and raped by the "Coyote" - guide that was escorting her, her sister, and several other immigrants. Youth indicated that he this individual was known by his nickname, who was a member of the , criminal gang in Honduras, as well as a member of the . She indicated that throughout her journey he told her about his life's story and how his 6-year-old daughter was raped and murdered by a gang. He told her that he was going to do the same thing to her, telling things such as - he was going to tie her up, put a cover her mouth, and rape her. One night during their journey he entered her hotel room and raped her. Youth indicated that she was left with bruises on her arm and legs as she attempted to get away from him. She pleaded to him not to rape her and to think of his daughter who was still alive in Honduras. Youth indicated that he eventually stopped and began to weep and apologize to her for doing her wrong. He later threatened her that if she told anyone while in Mexico that they would kill him and that she better not even think about it. He also told her that she could tell anyone she wanted when she arrived to the United States but to not dare tell anyone in Mexico. Youth feared that he would extend their journey and attempt to rape her again that she did not tell anyone about the sexual assault. Youth indicated that her parents do not know about the sexual assault that occurred during her journey and does not want to tell her mother because she fears she will blame herself for selecting that particular guide.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland ICC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/22/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

Minor informed staff that he does not want to sit in the same dining table as minor . When staff M.R. inquired minor for his reasons he reported minor has been expressing his liking for minor and requested minor to establish an intimate relationship with him. Staff M.R. informed clinician about the disclosure. Staff interviewed minor to follow up on the information disclosed. Minor reported participant likes him, and wants to have sex with minor. Minor informed clinician that minor asked their roommate to inform minor that would like to have sex with him. Minor informed minor that he kept refusing minor Minor denied being touched by minor Minor denied having any sexual relationship with minor

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/23/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported that she was sexually assaulted while on her journey to the US. Minor stated that she was traveling with seven men when the coyote decided to rest at a hotel. Minor stated that she stayed in a hotel room with them and fell asleep. Minor said that in the middle of the night one of the men forced her to have sex with her. She told him that she did not want to but he forced her anyway. Minor stated that no one helped her and she did not know if the rest of the men saw what happened or if they were asleep. Minor stated that in the morning they all continued on their journey. Minor stated that it did not happen again. Minor stated that for the rest of the journey she felt bad but continued anyway.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Alexis Cohen

August 24 – August 30, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **1**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **9**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **9**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **1**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **3**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **5**
- Other: **0**

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**Total Number of major SIR: 28; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 446; Number of SIRs for FY14: 22,701**

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 08/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

disclosed being held captive for 15 days during her journey to USA by coyote's brother. After being sexually abused by the coyote's boss, she was transferred to an abandoned home with four other girls where she was "sold to various men" on a daily basis. She stated that coyote's brother would make monetary transactions and would "sell them for sex." She reports being sexually abused and bitten for 15 straight days. She reported being injected with drugs on her thighs, so that she would not fight, and that her legs and thighs were bruised by the men that were raping her. She reports being raped numerous times during the day by different men. She reports escaping with the help of two young boys that worked for the coyote after the coyote and associates were captured by the border patrol. These boys would bring her food and water since limited food and water was provided by captors.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 08/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

disclosed that her stepfather would sexually abuse her and that her mother would force her to consent to have sexual intercourse. She reports that mother was ill with cancer and not able to have intercourse with step-father, so in order for step-father to continue to provide for the mother, the mother had to trade her for sex. reported stepfather threatened to leave the mother if she did not allow him to have sex with reported that this happened from age 11 to 13 until she came to USA. Mother would threaten her and limited her food, and told her that if disclosed the same thing would happen to her older sister. She reported that her mother would "prostitute her" and would force her to get in different cars where she had to have sex with males and females. Mother withheld gains for personal use. reported that during her journey the coyote "tricked her" and told her that he would help her by paying her journey and that would repay him once she started working in USA. She reports being held captive for 2 months and being raped by coyote daily. In addition, he "sold her" to five men (previously reported). She reports that the coyote forced her to cross the river in Texas and she carried 2 boxes, which she assumes were drugs. She crossed back the river and carried another box. She was instructed to leave boxes by the side of the river. Then, she ran and was captured by border patrol.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 08/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC disclosed having lived on his own while in home country of Guatemala since the age of 12. UAC stated his mother remarried and made the decision to move 7 hours away to another city in Guatemala. UAC stated his mother expected him to move with her however UAC indicated he voluntarily made the decision to stay in the home. UAC clarified he did not feel comfortable moving to live with a step-father. UAC stated he worked to provide for himself. UAC clarified his mother maintained communication and assisted him financially when she was able to throughout the 4 years he lived alone. Furthermore UAC disclosed being married to a 16 year old female whom was living with him for the past 6 months as well as traveled with resident to the U.S. UAC furthermore disclosed being verbally threatened and obligated to work planting a drug, "Amapola" while in home country of Guatemala. UAC stated he had been working under seven (7) individuals for the past 3 years and was verbally threatened to be beaten or killed when uncooperative. UAC clarified he was never physically harmed during this time. UAC stated he was paid \$60 Quetzales per day if the (7) individuals desired to pay. UAC stated he never reported it to the local authorities due to fear and verbal threats by the individuals. UAC stated he is fearful if he were to return to home country of Guatemala. UAC denied any impairment to his daily functioning.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** IES Hidalgo Foster

**Date of the Incident:** 08/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Child disclosed that on one occasion she was raped by an unknown male in Mexico. disclosed that the sexual assault occurred while she was kidnapped in Mexico. Currently, the child is approximately three months pregnant (not due to the sexual assault).

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Rio Grande

**Date of the Incident:** 08/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/26/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth reported that on her journey to the U.S she and two other women were touched by the guides inappropriately on their body at night when they would sleep. Youth reports that this incident occurred for three nights that it took them to travel to the U.S. Youth reports that the guides would separate the men and women at night and that's when the guides would lay next to them and touch them. Youth reports that the guides would tell them "to be quiet and not scream". Youth reports that she was never rapped nor had sexual relations with the guides.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Nueva Esperanza Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 08/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/26/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth was passing by room 3 when another youth called him to say good night, all lights were turned off from the hall and the room. At that time youth called staff that was supervising that room stating that youth had his penis out. Staff went inside the room and observed youth lying in bed all covered and not exposing himself. Shift Leader was advised by staff about the incident and had a talk with youth Jochua and he assured staff that what youth Juan said about him is a lie. Shift Leader also talked with youth and said he just saw client standing up exposing himself and that quickly jumped in bed. He was also advised that he can't be going to other rooms to say good night to other clients. As per staff youth wasn't standing and didn't see him exposing himself.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland Beverly

**Date of the Incident:** 08/26/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/27/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC was observed by Staff hugging UAC from behind. UAC became visibly upset and immediately reported incident to both staff present. Staff met with UAC, UAC reported to staff he felt upset and uncomfortable by UAC actions. Staff provided UAC with support and reassurance Staff was working to resolve incident. Staff met with UAC regarding incident. UAC initially denied hugging UAC from behind but later, during conversation with Staff EV, admitted to actions. UAC was reminded by Staff of the requirement and importance of respecting personal space and maintaining appropriate boundaries. This is not the first occasion in which UAC has been redirected regarding respecting personal space and maintaining appropriate boundaries. Appropriate safety measures and behavior management was placed into effect immediately. In addition to remaining at the front of the line during transitions, UAC is being placed on 1-on-1 supervision and must be the only participant in restroom when he showers and when he uses the restroom. UAC will also remain in his single bed room. Clinician with the assistance of a Quiche language line translator, met with UAC for follow up regarding incident and UAC recent displays of difficulty with boundaries. During conversation with Clinician UAC reported not hugging from behind but only tugging on UAC's shirt. UAC was informed Program Manager reviewed camera footage of incident and camera footage displayed UAC hugging UAC from behind during physical education class. UAC became unresponsive after being provided with information regarding reviewed camera footage.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland Beverly

**Date of the Incident:** 8/26/2014

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 8/27/2014

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC spoke with Residential Instructor and reported UAC had been making inappropriate sexual gestures to UAC other participants and towards female staff. UAC reported that the previous day minor UAC grabbed his genital area and made inappropriate sexual gestures and comments towards a female staff in the activity room. UAC reported the female staff member did not see or hear UAC gestures or comments. UAC also reported that UAC had made similar gestures towards him earlier during morning quiet time. UAC reported that UAC grabbed his own genital area and made inappropriate sexual comments to UAC and other minors. UAC reported that this behavior had occurred more than once, but that he had not wanted to "tell on anyone." UAC said that he was offended by UAC behavior and that UAC wanted to say something offensive in return, but UAC did not want to get in trouble.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK El Presidente

**Date of the Incident:** 08/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/27/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client traveled with her father, , and client. Client states that was the "guide" where he would lead the way to the US. Client states that her trip was paid by Client states and affirms that her trip was planned by her friend and by client. Client states that during her trip to the US a man tried to sexually molest her and that she woke up startled and started to have an asthma attack. Client states that when she woke up from the asthma attack she was already in a hospital bed where she was there for 3 days.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Bethany USCCB

**Date of the Incident:** 08/26/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/27/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 8/26/14 around 3:30 pm was sitting on the couch near staff, , talking normally. He reached over and poked the upper right breast of the worker. He then said, "I touched your boob" in Spanish ("Yo toque tu

chichi”). Worker informed him that this behavior is inappropriate and disrespectful. When asked why he did it, he said he was playing and it was a joke and that he was sorry he did it.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/27/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor stated she was sexually assaulted twice during her journey to the USA. The first time occurred in Mexico in a hotel her group was staying at to rest. The minor states a girl who she made friends with along the way and trusted gave her a drink, she thinks it was coca cola. However, the minor states shortly after she felt strange and sleepy. She recalls that everyone then left the room and two males stayed behind. One stayed at the door while the other sexually assaulted her. The minor states that later in her trip, also in Mexico, she was assaulted again by a guide. The group was staying in a home and a male came in to the room the minor was staying in and assaulted her sexually. The minor stated she already disclosed her abuse to her mother who responded supportively.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** IES Brownsville Foster

**Date of the Incident:** 08/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

made her journey to the US to stay with her biological mother, (age 37), who resides in Houston, TX. As per prior to making the journey to the US she resided with her friend (age 26) in home of El Salvador. According to she is about 8 months pregnant. When asked about her pregnancy, mentioned that her pregnancy is a result of a sexual assault that occurred in Honduras when a man by the name of (approximate age 25) of Honduras lured her away from her home country El Salvador, saying that her maternal grandmother had sent for her to travel to the U.S. believed to be a smuggler because her maternal grandmother had previously called from s cell phone when maternal grandmother was traveling to the U.S. reports that took her to Honduras in August of 2013 and would sexually assault and insult her, force her do chores like cook clean, and do laundry. When she attempted to escape, he would physically abuse her by hitting her with a wooden stick on her back, legs and face. expressed “me dejó como un monstruo (he left me like a monster)” and expressed this with tears in her eyes. reported she was finally able to escape from the house in January of 2014 (5 months later). After escaping, she returned to her sister’s house in El Salvador and about three weeks later found out she was pregnant when she went to the doctor as she was feeling ill. stated that when she returned to El Salvador her biological father made a report to the Salvadoran Authorities. As per she was advised by Salvadoran authorities to seek counseling before filing an actual report. As per she attended four counseling sessions with a Psychologist, but then became discouraged and thought the aggressor would find her so it would be best for her to migrate to the U.S. As per her biological mother, (age 37), feared for her safety and made arrangements for her to make the journey to the US. expressed that although the baby is a product of above mentioned incident, it is not the baby’s fault and states she feels love for her baby girl already.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Shiloh RTC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While eating breakfast the client stated that she has to look pretty for school because her teacher makes her "wet" because he is so good looking and sexy. Client was redirected by staff about her inappropriate sexual comments.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/24/14

**UAC:**



**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/24/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

During the initial assessments, the minor denied any trafficking related issues or concerns. However, during follow up contacts with potential sponsor, the sponsor identified several trafficking indicators by noting he believed the minor had been asked to complete tasks by gangs. Clinician followed up with the minor to reassess and in the context of a clinical session, the minor then disclosed possible indicators of trafficking concerns. The minor reported that since the age of 12 he was threatened by members of the [redacted] gang. The minor stated that for the past two years he would be approached approximately every week by different adolescent [redacted] gang members. The minor stated he believes that [redacted] consisted of about 100 members who were against other nearby gangs such as [redacted] and [redacted]. The minor stated that two years ago was the first time he was approached by 10 adolescent members of the gang and told he would need to kill a man and enter the gang. The minor stated that he replied no and ran from the men and was not harmed in any way. The minor reported over the past two years he was approached approximately 20-30 times by different members of [redacted] gang. He stated that he was told to smoke marijuana and cocaine approximately 10 times. The minor reported that he was asked 5 times to transport about a pound of cocaine in a package. The minor reported that about 20-30 times he was asked to transport a gun or pistol. The minor stated that each time he refused and never complied with the gang members requests. The minor stated that because he never complied, he was frequently assaulted. The minor stated that every time he denied the requests, he would be pushed, kicked, or punched. The minor stated that most times he was harmed, he would have marks and bruises and during once incident he had a bloody nose and lip. The minor denied ever received medical care for his bruises and marks. The minor denied telling anyone but his older brother (sponsor) about being harmed and threatened. The minor reported that he did not tell his mother and godmother because he did not want them to worry about him. The minor reported not wanting to disclose the information previously because did not want to give the impression that he was engaging with gang members in any ways. The minor stated that these assaults and threats on his life were the primary reason for his migration to the U.S. The minor reported that his brother has been supportive and helped the minor escape the threats on his life.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The minor disclosed a history of being threatened and sexually assaulted by gang members as well as others during her journey. As a result of her experiences she also had suicidal ideations. The minor was not able to continue her education in home country due to the threats from gang members. The minor reported gang members would bother her on her way to school and make her pay \$20 daily in order to be left alone. They would tell her that if she did not pay she would have to do sexual acts with them. The minor reported that once they held a gun to her head because she did not have money and therefore were going to force sexual acts. The minor insisted they bother her and not her younger sister who was also present. Two male friends helped convince the gang members to leave her alone. Another day two of the gang members sexually assaulted the minor. The minor was sexually assaulted during her journey to the USA as well by an unknown man in Guatemala, who she states seemed to be from the USA. She was assaulted in Mexico City by another unknown male. She also reported that police officers in [redacted] attempted to touch her inappropriately and offered her money for sex. Males who were traveling with her paid the officers money to leave her alone. She began having suicidal thoughts with a plan to cut her wrists during her journey as a result of the sexual assaults. Her last suicidal thought was in Mexico on her journey. She and her guide were in a car accident, the minor was not harmed but she thought, "It would have been better if I died in the accident".

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** IES Hidalgo Foster

**Date of the Incident:** 08/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Assigned clinician met with [redacted], age 16, to complete the initial assessment questionnaire. When child was asked the reason as to why she came to the U.S now, child disclosed that she traveled to the U.S. because she was scared for her safety. The child went on to say that she received several verbal threats on different

separate occasions from her 20 year old boyfriend, saying that he was "going to kill her". When the child was asked if she was pregnant; the child disclosed that she is 4 months pregnant. She further stated that her unborn child's biological father, is 20 years old and lives in El Salvador

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 08/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During UAC assessment, stated that when the train stopped in during his journey, a group Mexican and Honduran persons offered him and the group of people he was traveling with food as well as a place to rest. stated that he and the persons traveling with him agreed to go with the men and that once they reached a house they were given food and treated well. stated that once they finished eating the food provided to them, the men asked, and the other travelers if they had any family in the US. reports that they were asked to provide them the phone numbers of family members in USA. stated that he did not tell them that he had family in the US. stated that he was searched and was asked to take off his clothes, in order for the men to ensure he did not have anything on him with telephone numbers. stated that he had a small piece of paper, but he ate it before the men could see it. also stated that the men told him that because he had no telephone numbers with on him he would have to cross the border with a backpack full of drugs. stated that he agreed to do so just so that the men would hurt him. stated that once it got dark, he and the group of men managed to escape and hide in a pharmacy. stated that they called the police and took a taxi and went to the border and crossed the river.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 08/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Yesterday after lunch while completing house chores UAC began to dance in the living room area and at the same time was mocking while dancing he began to make masturbation gestures with his hands against his genitals area, then he pretended to ejaculate while was not looking.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Bokenkamp TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC, stated the he was forced for a week by gang members to distribute, "a little black bag" to various places in his home country. He was beaten when he didn't comply with their demands.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Presidente

**Date of the Incident:** 08/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

disclosed that she was sexually abused during her journey to the USA. This incident happened 16 days ago in Mexico. She was raped by a 25 years old man. Currently she is not pregnant, which was her concern. However client seems emotionally stable.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** KidsPeace

**Date of the Incident:** 08/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

met with UAC to clarify discrepancy in his initial interview. UAC first denied that he was smuggling people into the United States. Now, he is reporting that he was forced to smuggle people and that he was threatened to be killed if he refused. He stated that from Nov, 2013 until Aug.2014 he was forced by [redacted] to work for them. During these 10 months [redacted] could physically abuse him, by punching him and kicking him. In Aug, 2014 he ran away from them to try to enter US and go to Texas, where his grandmother had agreed to meet him but he was caught by immigration and sent here. UAC originally reported to this clinician that he had a very stable life in Mexico with his mother and extended family. He denied any form of physical, sexual or emotional abuse. However, today he stated that since his grandmother left him to go to Texas when he was five years of age, and his mother became the primary caregiver, he suffered abuse and neglect. UAC told this clinician that the scars on his forehead are because his mother threw an item at him when he was eight years of age which resulted in him going to the hospital. Moreover, he reported that she was neglectful and that she only cared about herself, and she often left him with other people to care for him and his younger sisters. UAC Stated that he lied at his initial intake because he was not sure what to expect from this program but he feels safe now to talk about his history.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Union County

**Date of the Incident:** 08/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On the above date and approximate time, the recreational coordinator, observed the above stated UAC to stick out his tongue in what appeared to be a sexual manner to another non-federal male resident, during the showing of a movie in the gym.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** IES Brownsville Foster

**Date of the Incident:** 08/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During initial intake and orientation, case manager [redacted] met with [redacted] who disclosed she was approximately 5 months pregnant. As per [redacted] her pregnancy was a result of a sexual assault with an unknown man in El Salvador. [redacted] reports while walking home from school one day in April, she was approached by two men (approximately in their late 30s early 40s). [redacted] stated the men grabbed her and took her to an undisclosed location nearby. [redacted] then reported she was held by one man and the other man sexually assaulted her. [redacted] reported after the assault she was left alone and went home. [redacted] stated she did not disclose anything to her family members her mother and siblings whom she resided with about the assault and locked herself in her bedroom. [redacted] stated she then stopped attending school in fear of seeing her abuser. [redacted] stated her mother [redacted] inquired why she did not want to go to school but [redacted] would not disclose any information to her mother. [redacted] reported she notified her mother when she found out she was pregnant on May 8th. [redacted] further stated no report was submitted to the police due to her brother Isaac (age 20) getting threatened by several gang members. For this reason, her mother with help from [redacted] older sister [redacted] made arrangements for [redacted] to come to the US to be with her sister [redacted] in California.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** IES Brownsville Foster

**Date of the Incident:** 08/23/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/29/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

On 08/23/14 foster parent [redacted] submitted a Notice of Concern because Jose was walking behind her at the mall. When [redacted] was directed to walk next to Ms. Foster parent, he touched [redacted] (who was walking besides Ms. Foster parent) on her behind.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** SW Nueva Esperanza Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 08/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client disclosed that he had an inappropriate relationship with a YCW in previous shelter. Client reported that this occurred about a month and a half ago at SWK- Casa Blanca in San Antonio, TX. Client was admitted to Nueva Esperanza Staff Secure 7-31-14. Client reported that they had physical contact at shelter. Client reported that he and YCW kissed on at least one occasion. Client reported that YCW purchased items such as clothing and shoes for him. Client reported that he and the YCW would often see each other and spend time together during the outings to the church. Client reported that he has continued to maintain contact with YCW via phone calls. Client reports that he contacts his brother in San Antonio and that the YCW has been at the brother's home and this is how they have communicated. Client reports that the one time that he had "physical contact" with the YCW this occurred while at the program. He reported that she was asked to take him to the restroom and when they entered the restroom, he began kissing her. Client reports that a male YCW walked in on them and immediately told them that he was going to have to report the incident. Client states that both he and the YCW pleaded with the male YCW not to report the incident and stated that this would never happen again. The incident was not reported. Client further stated that he and the YCW never engaged in sexual relations because he said that she told him that they needed to wait until he was 18yrs.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Crittenton LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Foster mother also states that she received a call from another foster mother where the UAC visits and the other foster mother stated that UAC had allegedly commented on how "good looking (no esta malo, se ve bien) her husband was" to parents who were visiting another UAC in the home. Other foster mother stated that she felt that UAC had behaved inappropriate at the party by also breastfeeding her 21 month old without covering up and that allegedly the UAC had been very vulgar during this visit and other visits. Foster mother stated that to maintain the boundaries and safety of the UAC the visits were going to be minimized. Foster mother gave the 14 day notice to have the UAC and child removed from the house, stating that she doesn't feel that she is able to help the UAC anymore.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Crittenton LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

This youth's babysitter called this on-call social worker to report that at 7pm the youth had left to go to the local park. She had conveyed to him that she would also be going to the park later, but no time was given to him. The babysitter showed up at the park at around 7:10 pm (earlier than what the youth expected). As she arrived at the park, and he noticed her he and his friend ran off. She approached the area where they were sitting at and she found an empty box of cigarettes with ashes of Marijuana. She returned home, and looked around to see if the youth had arrived, but did not find him. She waited for him outside, and he suddenly around 7:40 pm came out through the side drive way (pretending as if he had been at the home the entire time). She proceeded to ask him about what had gone on at the park of which he ignored her, and as he passed her she noticed his eyes appeared red, and he smelled like Marijuana. The youth went straight to his bedroom. A short time later he went to the kitchen, and ate two servings of food.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 08/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/30/14

**Summary of SIR:**

reported being forced to provide services for and participate in gang activities in El Salvador. He also reports being severely beaten by this gang on a regular basis when he did not comply with their orders. Minor reported that initially he made small deliveries for the voluntarily, but with time they began to force him to do more. Minor reports that occasionally the would force him to go to a gang related meetings out of the area for 2-3

days under threat of harm. He stopped doing errands for them after about a year, but with the agreement that they would continue to beat him severely on a regular basis, (about every two weeks). About a year and a half ago (Spring 2013) he reports was taken to a clinic by his gang after they beat him badly and he fainted. He stated that they told the doctor that other people had beat him. Minor reports that the doctor attended to him wounds, bruises and small cuts which were not serious, but did not given him any stitches, a diagnosis or any other treatment. Minor reports that he was beaten this way many times and at some point had a broken rib.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Alexis Cohen

August 31 – September 6, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **0**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **7**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **3**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **0**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **1**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **2**
- Other: **1**

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**Total Number of major SIR: 14; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 441; Number of SIRs for FY14: 23,142**

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Antigua

**Date of the Incident:** 08/31/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/31/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth disclosed that she was “touched” in her private areas by “men” during her journey to the U.S. Although she was unable to provide a specific date, she stated that these events occurred at some point between August 1st and 28th, 2014, while she was hiding in a “bodega [storage room]” in Mexico. At this moment, the youth did not provide specific details about the occurrence, given that she was highly distressed when recalling the events. This clinician submitted a report to the Texas Statewide Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation System.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 08/31/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/01/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

Client was questioned regarding comments peer had reported he had made. Client admitted he made some inappropriate comments, but that he only scratched his private area because he itched. Direct Care informed client sexual urges are normal; however, he needs to address these urges privately. Client was also instructed to keep inappropriate comments to himself because they cross boundaries.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 09/01/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/02/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During initial intake assessment UAC disclosed to case manager that she was sexually molested while traveling to the US. She reports that one of the Coyote touched her under her clothes on minor's breasts and genitals while they were about to cross the river, Yesenia states this was a onetime incident, which stopped when a lady who was traveling with the group jumped in front of the coyote to stop him and lady yelled to UAC to run. UAC reports trouble sleeping.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** IES Weslaco

**Date of the Incident:** 09/02/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/03/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 08/29/14 (age 17, 8 months pregnant) arrived to IES Foster Weslaco, Texas. disclosed to Case Manager that her pregnancy is a result of sexual relationship with her ex-boyfriend approximately 20 years old) who resides in El Salvador. As per her family is aware of her pregnancy.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Lakeside Englewood

**Date of the Incident:** 08/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/03/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On the above date and time, Client was heard stating to another Client that, "The cook is cute."

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/30/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/03/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

Foster parents reported that they were suspicious that UAC and UAC foster sibling were viewing pornography in UAC room on the foster parent's laptop. Foster dad wrote in IIR from created 9/2/2014 that foster mom had asked permission to enter the room. UAC put the bed cover over the laptop, so foster mom could not see the laptop screen. On 8/30/2014 the foster mom checked the internet history on the laptop by using CNTL+H. Foster mom saw history for pornography sites that were viewed the night the UAC put the cover over the laptop. Foster dad spoke to with UAC and UAC foster sibling to ask who was responsible for looking up the pornography. UAC did not admit to looking it up.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** KidsPeace

**Date of the Incident:** 09/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/04/14, 09/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During bedtime tonight (9/3/14), client asked if I could give advice about a secret she had. I notified her that it is my job to report everything she tells me, that I could not withhold information. Client notified me that she has withheld information about her baby's father from staff. had previously stated that her baby's father was not in the picture. Tonight, client disclosed that the baby's father is the brother of our former client (who came to America with) and that the baby's father was her boyfriend. Client stated that her current sponsor, is not just a family friend but her "mother in law" and boyfriend's mom (and previous client Ruth's mother). Client explained that paid for client to come to America so that her grand-baby would have a good life. Client didn't want to mention this because she was scared that she will get deported back to Guatemala if staff knew that her sponsor's son was her boyfriend. Client said that the baby's father was abusive to her in Guatemala and throughout their relationship and that he even choked her once. Also, client states that her baby's father is unsure if the baby is actually his. Client "mother in law" does not know that her son was abusive to our client expresses that she really likes and ex-client but she feels that if she goes to live with them that she will be obligated to be with her baby's father. Client does not want to be with her baby's father as of right now because of his previous abusive tendencies. (As reported by Youth Care Worker)

9/4/14: Clinician meets with UAC. UAC reports she feels sad. UAC presents with depressed affect and is teary eyed throughout the session. UAC does not communicate much with this worker. UAC reports she did not go to school today because she has concerns that she will act out in school. The UAC reports when she felt this way in the past she would engage in self-injurious behaviors or destroy things. UAC reports she was up all night and she could not sleep. UAC reports she wants to forget about everything bad that happened in her home country and she has racing thoughts at night. UAC reports everything is her fault because she made decisions to engage in risky behavior in home country. Clinician explains her past actions are not her fault and coming forward with the information is a positive coping skill and she has made improvements while in our care. Encourage UAC to write her thoughts down under the supervision of a staff member by using a crayon or marker (as she is not permitted to have a pen or pencil due to prior SIB). Encourage UAC to get some rest today. Inform nursing of situation so she can be assessed by doctor.

During session with clinician, the UAC reports she has had trouble sleeping on and off because she is up thinking about things that she did in her home country. The UAC reports she is ashamed of the things she did. The UAC indicates she just wants to erase it all. Explain to the UAC that stuffing her thoughts, feelings and emotions will not lead to a good outcome and it is better to express herself. The UAC begins to share that when she had no money in home country because her mother would not send it, she would participate in sexual escort services and engage in sexual acts with men, usually men who preferred young girls and who were much older than the UAC. The UAC reports she knew there were safer ways to get money but this was faster and more lucrative. The UAC reports she did this from time to time in home country when she had no money. The UAC reports she would buy food and necessities with the money. The UAC is teary eyed when discussing this incident but eventually seems to understand these actions were not her fault, as the clinician works to empower her and reframe the situation. Thinking about the past is impacting the UAC's functioning (i.e. lack of sleep) from time to time. However, this clinician believes the UAC is making progress in her ability to express herself and articulate her thoughts and feelings.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Lakeside Englewood

**Date of the Incident:** 09/03/2014

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/04/2014

**Summary of SIR:**

Client asked a staff member if she could use the staff member's phone or access Facebook. Staff Member redirected the client and re-explained the communication policy. Client then stated that if the staff member did not let her use the staff members phone, she would report to the staff member's supervisor that she was, "outside kissing a man," during her shift.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** KidsPeace

**Date of the Incident:** 09/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

made a statement about her liking him in a manner that can be seen as being inappropriate. She reported that was immediately redirected by staff and by the Youth Care Worker Supervisor about maintaining appropriate boundaries and respecting the female staff.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 09/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During session with therapist disclosed kissing with discharged ORR female resident several times in the last month that minor was at our facility. He denied any further sexual activity with her. He refused to disclose any additional information such as times, places, areas, etc. He denies having current sexual activities with any other peers at this time. He refused to disclose any additional information at this time despite prompts. Therapist discussed with him rules and regulations about boundaries and he verbalized having good understanding of boundaries and expectations.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 09/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Sponsor informed Case Manager that he had been contacted by an unknown caller prior to his son being admitted into the shelter. The sponsor stated that the unknown caller told him that he had his son (UAC and his adult son in nd was told that he needed to wire money in order for them to be released. Sponsor stated that he sent money to three different locations: Sonora, Mexico, San Agustin, CA, and San Diego, CA. The total sum was \$5,300 dollars. Sponsor provided Case Manager with the receipts of the money exchange thru Money Gram service. Attached are the Money Gram Transactions. Sponsor later realized that it was fraud. Sponsor states he will file a report.



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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 09/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported that he has worked for the [redacted] or the last two years as a foot guide. He reports that he initially worked for them voluntarily and had only planned to do so for a short time. He stated that while working that he lost several of the radios that belonged to the cartel and had to work to pay off this debt (about \$300). He states by the time that he paid off this debt by working that they saw that he was a good worker and did not want to let him out. He stated that he was told he could change his job or move up in the organization, but that they expected him to be in for life or until he went to prison. He reports that members of this group come to his house to get him when they want him to work and that he has been physically hit by them and threatened at gunpoint. He reports that he has witnessed other workers be threatened at gun point and hit with a 4x4 for not complying with the wishes of this cartel. Minor stated that someone he knew was forced at gunpoint to move up in the organization to the position of guardia (lookout). He stated that when someone wants to leave the cartel beats them to the point that they are severely injured and then when the person is healed they come back and make them work, if they refuse to work, they beat them again until they agree to work. He is also reports being aware of people who have been killed for refusing to work for this cartel or trying to leave. Minor reports that he believes that if he returns to his home and does not work for this cartel that he will be severely beaten until and eventually killed. Clinician provided active listening and emotional support and assessed for trafficking concerns. Minor was cooperative with the interview but stated that he could not give any name of the people he worked with for fear that this would put him in danger. Clinician will submit ATIP trafficking referral. Clinician will further asses for mental health concerns related to exposure to community violence.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Abbot House

**Date of the Incident:** 09/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During assessment [redacted] disclosed that he worked for [redacted]. He stated that he began to work as a "chequidor"/watchman. Minor stated that he would look out for immigration and report to [redacted]. [redacted] stated that his position quickly changed after a car accident. Minor stated that he crashed one of [redacted] cars and he needed to repay that money back. He stated that the total cost of the damages was 7,000 pesos. Minor stated that his new position with [redacted] was a "guia"/guide. Osvaldo stated that he did not want to do this, however, he did not want to say no because he did not want to find out what would happen if he did. He stated that a truck would show up at his house at any given time of day to pick him up to make a trip to the United States of America. He stated that the person who would organize it all went by the name of [redacted]. Minor stated that he never met this person, he just heard of him. Minor stated that by the time the person in the truck picked him up and came back, a group of people migrating were already waiting for him to begin their journey. [redacted] further disclosed that he made a total of five trips, including this one, as a guide to the United States of America. Minor stated that he was apprehended twice but the first time he was deported back to Mexico. Minor stated that the first trip he made was with another guide because he needed to learn the way. Minor stated that he was done paying off the debt with the last trip. Furthermore, he stated that he was not paid if he was caught. He stated that he did not get physical cash because the money was owed to them so he worked to pay off the debt.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** St. PJ's

**Date of the Incident:** 09/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Foster parent where [redacted] is placed contacted Lead Case Manager [redacted] at approximately 3:30PM to report she witnessed [redacted] laying in the living room and she had her hands between her legs and making movements which appeared to foster mom as possible masturbation. Lead Case Manager contacted clinician. Clinician spoke with foster mother in regards to the incident and explained how to complete an Incident Report (IR). Foster mother reported in the IR she was supervising [redacted]

when she observed [redacted] lying down on the family room sofa covered by a blanket. FM approached minor to see because she thought it odd for minor to have her legs open, she saw [redacted] making movements with her hands. When [redacted] realized FM was watching, she ran upstairs to her room and covered herself with a blanket. FM attempted to speak with minor to ask her what she was doing, minor refused to speak. FM allowed minor a few minutes alone and left her in her bedroom. During home visit, foster mother stated she and [redacted] were the only ones downstairs at that time and she had been preparing a meal while supervising [redacted] in the room next to the kitchen. FM stated she realized [redacted] had her legs open and was making movements under the blanket in her genital area which appeared to her to be masturbation. During session with minor, [redacted] stated she was lying on the sofa while brushing her hair. Minor recalled she began playing with the brush between her legs but not near her "private area." Minor denied she was touching her genitals. Minor denied ever being sexually abused. [redacted] stated she has never been touched in a sexual nature by anyone and she has never touched any person, either voluntary or coerced. Minor denied any form of sexual abuse. Clinician engaged in a psycho-educational conversation in regards to changes which occur during adolescence. Clinician explained that there are physical changes which occur when children reach adolescence, which could happen at different age depending on each person. Clinician explained to minor masturbation is a natural response which can occur during hormonal changes in the body. Clinician explained the role of hormones and how this influences sexual maturity. Clinician normalized masturbation and having curiosity as a normal part of the adolescent process, but noted the differences between appropriate sexual behavior and inappropriate sexual behavior. Clinician engaged minor in a discussion to differentiate what is appropriate and inappropriate. Clinician informed minor that masturbation is a very personal and intimate act and so other children or people are not to be involved in any form and this should only occur in a private setting where no one else could see or has awareness of such. Clinician explained to minor that this is not something encouraged due to her young age, but it is something understood to be normal and expect-able due to her age. Clinician discussed other physical changes which occur in the female body during adolescence. Minor asked if shaving legs such as what she sees on television is part of the changes. Clinician stated there are several physiological and physical changes which occur during adolescence and puberty, which include hair growth in certain areas. Minor appeared to be much more relaxed and comfortable during the latter part of the session. A "compromiso de seguridad" (i.e.) safety plan was discussed to explain what is appropriate and inappropriate sexual behavior. Safety plan includes the use of a private setting if minor were to feel curious about touching herself as well as a list of foster mother, sponsor, Lead Case Manager [redacted] or myself (Clinician) who can speak with minor and answer any questions as well as to provide support and information.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Alexis Cohen

September 7 – September 13, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: 0
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: 4
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: 7
- Possession/Use of Drugs: 3
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: 2
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: 0
- Other: 0

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**Total Number of major SIR: 16; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 410; Number of SIRs for FY14: 23,552**

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 09/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/07/14

#### Summary of SIR:

Minor was held captive 3 months and sexually assaulted and forced to work for them while captive. The information provided is indicative of possible trafficking concerns because the minor reported the gang forced her to sell drugs. The minor stated she received gang threats, beginning in 2012 from [redacted] gang in El Salvador. She was informed by her mother that they were requesting her mother to pay them a monthly fee. The minor does not know the quantity but states they threatened them about the money via letters stating they would kill the whole family. The minor's mother could not pay the fee and was being harassed by the gang members. Minor reported that in February 2013, three gang members took her by force when she was alone returning from a store. The minor reports that she was held against her will for about 3 months. She was held in a home that was about one hour from her own house. Minor [redacted] also reported that she was also sexually assaulted by the same gang members. She became emotional and stated she does not know how many times they sexually assaulted her because she would not remember. She reports she thinks she was drugged because sometimes she would lose consciousness and they also would make her inhale marijuana smoke. Minor reported that she was also forced to sell drugs. They wanted her to sell marijuana and when she refused they told her "if you don't go out and sell we will kill her and her whole family, including her older sister (sponsor) and her baby". The minor states they knew her sister was pregnant when she left. Due to the threats she complied. They had her wait in the home and when people came to the front patio to buy marijuana she had to go out and sell it to them. She would have to do this about 1-2 days per week. In those days she would sometimes get about 5 people coming to buy drugs. They would not let her go off the property. Minor reported that one day she was able to escape. She states that they all went out and one stayed to watch her. However, he was a male who knew her family and for that he told her to escape. The minor states she learned he was beaten badly for her escape. She called her mother to pick her up after she escaped and went home. Minor reports the threats continued. They continued to threaten for money though her mother could never pay. They told the family that no one could ever leave the home alone because they would take them. The minor stopped going to school for a while as a result. This January she tried going again but had to stop because they would not leave her alone. They would always monitor her when she went to and from school and they would threaten to take her from the bus stop or school. They continue to watch her home "day and night" to monitor and scare the family. Minor left home to come to the United States on 08/15/2014 as she fears for her safety.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 09/07/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/08/14

#### Summary of SIR:

In the context of clinical intervention, the minor disclosed that he worked for [redacted] a criminal syndicate in Mexico. The minor worked as an "alcon," a lookout for military personnel. The minor was forced to work for their organized crime group and experienced frequent beatings, forced to ingest drugs, and witnessed extensive violence.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Lutheran Community Services NW

**Date of the Incident:** 09/04/14

**UAC:**

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**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

[redacted] disclosed to FOY staff member that the previous day at school he had been approached by a student who invited him to smoke marijuana. He admitted that he agreed at which point he skipped class at school and smoked marijuana with his peer.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Brownsville Foster

**Date of the Incident:** 09/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/08/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During initial assessment on 9/8/14, [redacted] (age 16, about 9 months pregnant) disclosed having experienced neglect, and sexual abuse which resulted in her current pregnancy, in her home country of Honduras. [redacted] also disclosed that during her journey she was forced to do chores. [redacted] disclosed that on December 16, 2013 she was sexually assaulted. [redacted] explained that she was walking alone to a friend's house around 8 pm in the evening, when 5 unknown men (ages unknown) grabbed her. [redacted] stated 2 of the men held her down while the other 3 men raped her. [redacted] stated the men hit her in her face and threatened to hurt her or her daughter if she told anyone. She stated her daughter was with her grandmother at the time of the incident, and she does not know how the men knew she had a daughter. The rape resulted in her current pregnancy. She shared she did not want to have the baby initially but changed her mind and now is looking forward to having her baby. [redacted] stated her family is aware that she is pregnant but she did not disclose to anyone what happened to her.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 09/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed that while in home country minor was constantly asked to join the [redacted] every time the gang members saw him walking around town. In March 2014 minor was stopped by [redacted] member and was told that if he didn't join the gang the minor would be killed. Minor decided to join since he didn't have money to leave the town. Minor was forced to work for the gang as a look out for the police. Minor's job duties were to notify gang members by telephone if he were to see any police coming towards gang members. Minor also disclosed that one time he erased [redacted] graffiti and was beat up by 6-7 gang members. Minor stated that he was punched all over his body and was in bed for 3 days to recover from beating. After minor recovered from beating minor went out to the street and was confronted by a gang member that he was going to be killed for erasing the graffiti. Minor stated that he decided to come to the U.S. because, "the gang doesn't make false threats."

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 09/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/07/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During shift change the YCW's on shift decided that YCW [redacted] would talk to resident [redacted] about his attitude and inappropriateness towards women. YCW [redacted] took resident [redacted] aside and talked to him about the lack of respect he has for the female staff. YCW [redacted] let resident [redacted] know that the way he speaks to women and the way he looks at women is not appropriate or respectful. YCW [redacted] let him know that all staff was aware and that this inappropriate

behavior needs to change. Resident [redacted] took it seriously and was aware that the rest of the staff would be keeping an eye on his behavior with the female staff. Later during the night, resident [redacted] had an incident with some other residents during dinner and for his consequence he was sent to his room for the remainder of the night. During free time resident [redacted] came out of his room and YCW [redacted] talked to the resident and reminded him of his consequence, [redacted] got upset and refused to listen. He didn't agree with the consequence and left to the living room to watch TV. YCW [redacted] then proceeded to talk to [redacted] but he continued refusing. YCW [redacted] pulled resident [redacted] to the side and reminded him about the conversation that they had had earlier during the day. YCW Ben pointed out that he wasn't listening or respecting YCW [redacted] and YCW [redacted] as they had both talked to him and told him to go to his room. YCW [redacted] explained that he could go to his room immediately and deal with that one consequence for the night or he could have an even bigger consequence the following day. Resident [redacted] hesitated a little and finally made his way back to his room.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Casa Blanca

**Date of the Incident:** 09/07/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/09/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Clinician follow-up with client, [redacted] regarding an incident report that was submitted by a YCW. During session, client reported this minor [redacted] exposed himself to [redacted] and a second minor, [redacted] in the bedroom. [redacted] reported that this occurred on three different occasions last week. [redacted] stated that this minor, [redacted] exposed his front genitalia ("My Body" children's picture used for confirmation) during the evening hours. Client stated that this minor, [redacted] takes his clothes off in the room in the bed. [redacted] stated that [redacted] (UAC) was also in the room when Jose has exposed himself. [redacted] expressed that [redacted] behavior makes him feel uncomfortable. [redacted] also reported that [redacted] has hit him three times with a closed fist on his left shoulder which he also does not like.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** KidsPeace

**Date of the Incident:** 09/05/2014

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/05/2014

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC reports she has had trouble sleeping on and off because she is up thinking about things that she did in her home country. The UAC reports she is ashamed of the things she did. The UAC indicates she just wants to erase it all. UAC shared that when she had no money in home country because her mother would not send it, she would participate in sexual escort services and engage in sexual acts with men, usually men who preferred young girls and who were much older than the UAC. The UAC reports she knew there were safer ways to get money but this was faster and more lucrative. The UAC reports she did this from time to time in home country when she had no money. The UAC reports she would buy food and necessities with the money. The UAC is teary eyed when discussing this incident but eventually seems to understand these actions were not her fault, as the clinician works to empower her and reframe the situation. Thinking about the past is impacting the UAC's functioning (i.e. lack of sleep) from time to time. However, this clinician believes the UAC is making progress in her ability to express herself and articulate her thoughts and feelings.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** KidsPeace

**Date of the Incident:** 07/01/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/08/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

SIR notification indicates UAC was impregnated by means of a sexual assault during her journey, however there is not a SIR on the UAC Portal that explicitly states this is the case.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Children's Center Jameson TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 09/09/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/10/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Foster parent reported that while [redacted] plays with her dolls she positions them in an appropriate sexual behavior. Furthermore, [redacted] has also been observed using inappropriate language when speaking to foster mother's daughter, [redacted] has called her a "puta."

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 09/09/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/10/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During session with primary therapist [redacted] reported during today's session that while being kidnapped she was forced by coyote to cross a bag with cocaine from Mexico across the river to USA. She stated that she was threatened against her life if she did not transport bag across the river. She reported returning back to Mexico after dropping bag across the river. She reports crossing border 1x, and then going back to the warehouse because she was told that there were men that would hurt her if she did not return to Mexico. After incident she reported that two boys helped her escape. She crossed the river and border patrol found her.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 09/09/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/10/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During an interview with UAC's legal representative and therapist, UAC disclosed that during his journey when he was staying in [redacted] there were 4 men working with the Cartels that were assisting the Coyote sexually and physically assaulted him. He reported the men locked him up in a room and without food or water for 2 days. Minor reported that after the 2nd day they unlocked the room and let him go with the other members that were traveling with him. Minor the reported one of the men threatened him stating he needed to carry a bag across the river into the United States or they would kill him if did not comply. Minor reported he did not know what was in the bag until later on he put his hands inside the bag and realized it was marijuana. He was instructed to leave this bag near the river after he crossed over and someone will get it. Minor reported once he crossed into the United States he heard Immigration police and he ran, he was afraid and left the bag behind. He reported he was apprehended without the bag.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Casa Blanca

**Date of the Incident:** 09/07/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/09/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Clinician follow-up with client, [redacted] regarding an incident report that was submitted by a YCW. During session, client reported that another minor, [redacted] exposed himself to the client and a second minor in the bedroom. [redacted] reported that this occurred on three different occasions last week. Client stated the minor, [redacted] exposed his front genitalia ("My Body" children's picture used for confirmation) during the evening hours. Client stated that the other minor (Jose) takes his clothes off in the room in the bed. [redacted] stated that [redacted] (UAC) was also in the room when [redacted] has exposed himself. [redacted] expressed that [redacted] behavior makes him feel uncomfortable. [redacted] also reported that [redacted] has hit him three times with a closed fist on his left shoulder which he also does not like.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Lutheran Social Services NE

**Date of the Incident:** 09/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/11/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC admitted to her foster mother that she had been given alcohol by another student at school on Thursday 9/4/2014. Foster mother reported the information to family resource coordinator ZF and program manager IG. This case manager followed up with UAC on 9/10/2014 with a phone call to ask UAC for specific details regarding the incident. Minor stated that in the morning on 9/4/2014 a male student at her high school gave her a bottle of Coke. According to UAC, she

believed the bottle to be filled with soda, however after she finished drinking it she was told by the male student that it was Coke mixed with red wine. UAC reported asking the student why he would give her alcohol but the student did not respond, he only laughed at her. Minor stated feeling dizzy, nauseous and disoriented throughout the rest of the school day, but felt better after arriving home from school. UAC was concerned that she would get into trouble for the incident, and did not report it to anyone until 9/10/2014. Initially, UAC told her foster mother there were a total of 4 students involved, 2 male and 2 female including herself. When UAC reported the details to this case manager, she stated that only she and one male student were involved. UAC told her foster mother that she knew the contents of the soda bottle had alcohol in it, but when she talked to her a second time she changed the details to say she was unaware there was alcohol in the bottle. Case manager tried to clarify the change in the story and UAC insisted that she was unaware she had been given alcohol.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 09/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/11/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor and minor's aunt, (sponsor) reported that minor was forcibly recruited to work for as a foot guide. Minor had previously denied being threatened or forced to work but now reports that he did not mention it earlier because he does not like to talk about this topic. Minor stated that he initially met these people at a friend's house and they forced him to come with them to a house that belonged to one of their members. He stated that he left there without them knowing. He did not see them again for about 2 and a half months when he encountered them in the community while with his girlfriend. He stated that at that point they offered him a job and tried to convince him by telling him how much he could earn. Minor reports that he refused, but that they continued coming to his mother's restaurant every day for a month and asking for him. He stated that he would hide in the back while his mother talked to them and once they fought with her. He stated that these were members of the cartel and were armed. Minor reports that they then saw him in the community and told him that if he did not work for them that his girlfriend would "suffer the consequences." Minor reported that he was very afraid that these people would hurt his family or his girlfriend so he said that he would work for them. He reported that from this point on they call him at all hours of the day to work. He worked off and on for them for about the last year and a half. He reports that the man who was his boss was called . He reports that they always paid him as promised, but he feared that if he stopped working that they would come to look for him or bother his family. Minor reports that about a year ago some higher up members of the cartel lead by forced him to come with him at gun point and held him for nine hours and questioned him about supposedly cheating them of their fees for persons who were crossing. Minor reports that they hit him 7 times on his butt with a 4x4 board specially designed with holes to do physical harm and leave scars. He reports that he was bloody and swollen by the time that they released him and they told him that they were going to kill him. Minor reports that he could not leave the house for several months and that he still has scars from this beating. Clinician assessed for trafficking concerns for symptoms of trauma. Minor reports that he did have symptoms of fear and hyper vigilance after he was beaten but currently denies any symptoms. Clinician will continue to asses and will submit ATIP referral.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Youth for Tomorrow

**Date of the Incident:** 09/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During UAC admission process his drug screen became marijuana positive.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Alexis Cohen

September 14 – September 20, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **2**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **12**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **7**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **0**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **4**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **3**
- Other: **3**

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**Total Number of major SIR: 31; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 530; Number of SIRs for FY14: 24,082**

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Southwest Key Combes

**Date of the Incident:** 09/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth disclosed performing sexual acts in exchange for money/anything of value while in home-country and during journey. Youth disclosed to Youth Care Worker, (YCW) performing sexual acts in exchange for money/value on various occasions while living in COO. Youth reports this being the first time he disclosed this information. Youth reported "selling his body" to buy his mother a present in home-country. While on his journey to the US, the youth reported being forced to exchange sexual favors in order to pay for his journey. YCW Jesus Becerra, documented information on ETO (internal incident report) and followed up with youth's clinician regarding disclosure.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Bokenkamp

**Date of the Incident:** 09/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC was observed over the weekend displaying some inappropriate behaviors. UAC was seen in her bed with her legs in the air hitting her private parts with her hand. UAC was also seen in the living area sitting on a ball, bouncing on it and rubbing her private area against it. Later that day, UAC was observed hitting and rubbing herself against the common area's floor. UAC was observed trying to place her fingers in her rear area.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** IES Brownsville

**Date of the Incident:** 09/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/15/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

On 9/8/14 an SIR was reported to TDFPS regarding UAC (age 16/ 9 ½ months pregnant). disclosed having experienced neglect, and sexual abuse which resulted in her current pregnancy, in her home country of Honduras. also disclosed that during her journey she was forced to do chores. On 9/15/14, clinician A.P. received a letter from TDFPS concerning the report stating no further inquiry is planned, on their behalf, as it appears she is not in substantial risk of abuse or neglect. However, the letter states that concerns have been forwarded to Brownsville PD (email only) as they appear to have jurisdiction in the matter.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Children's Center Brazoria

**Date of the Incident:** 09/01/14

**UAC:**



**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/15/14

**Summary of SIR: (3)**

During a meeting to review the program rules between Program Director, Lead Case Manager and Case Manager and all UACs in care disclosed several incidents with YDW. She reported that in one occasion YDW Yaneri touched her hair making her feel uncomfortable. She then reported that in another occasion she was sleeping when YDW Yaneri came in her room and grabbed her neck. She also reported that on another occasion staff questioning her why she was taking prescribed medication and when UAC told her why she responded by saying that "she did not have to take the medication." UAC reported that she had not reported this information to a Case Manager as she did not know that this information was to be reported.

Valeria disclosed that staff YDW Yaneri came into her room and pulled her legs while she was sleeping.

During a meeting to review the program rules between Program Director, Lead Case Manager and Case Manager and all UACs in care, disclosed that at night time while all UACs were in bed sleeping she overheard an staff saying "no me lo va a perdonar" (she will not forgive me). Then, she heard a camera flash. She reported that she recognized the staff voice. She reported that she is unsure if YDW took pictures of the UACS.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Children's Village

**Date of the Incident:** 09/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

When minor first arrived to the program she reported that she came to the US to be reunited with her 22 year old male cousin who resides in Seattle, Washington. Case Manager, conducted a thorough assessment with the minor and she revealed that in reality she came to the US to live with her 27 year old boyfriend who lives in Missouri. The minor stated that her intention was to be sponsored by her male cousin and when she would be released she would leave with her boyfriend. Case Manager contacted the cousin in Seattle, Washington. Mr. expressed his concerns in regards to sponsoring the minor. Mr. informed that he was not expecting minor, that he really did not have a close relationship with the minor in Guatemala and that he lives with other adult males in a one bedroom apartment. Moreover, Mr. confirmed that minor in reality was brought to the US by her so called boyfriend who is an adult and resides in Missouri. He said that he was concerned to proceed with sponsorship with the minor because he has never been in trouble with the law in this country and minor would probably leave with her boyfriend after being reunified with him. Mr. stated that he is aware of the law of consent in this country and that minor is not supposed to sustain an intimate relationship with and adult. then got in contact with who stated that he paid \$7,000 dollars to bring the minor illegally into the US with the purpose to establish an intimate relationship with the minor and live with her. Mr. informed that he met minor around Feb. 2014 thru a phone call that he was having with a brother that he has in Guatemala. Since then he and minor continued having communication and "a relationship" thru different social media. Mr. is aware that minor is 15yr old and stated that he lied to minor about his age and in reality he is 32yr old (DOB: 6/1/82). According to Mr. he wants to help minor because she is a single mother who has 2yr old daughter in home country. During this phone call Mr. stated that he was willing to come forward and provide with all information and documentation in order to help minor be released from the program. However, he stopped answering the phone calls to and did not provide his full address.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS Fairfield

**Date of the Incident:** 09/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Jose reported during session that in fact he told teacher about certain incidents that occurred back in his country. He said that he was forced to kill while he was working for the Gulf Cartel back in Mexico. Minor indicated that he was taken into "high" consideration for these type of missions because he was known that he was intelligent, not a drug user and responsible. However, minor added that he did not like such missions, but he had no other choice. He said "I either did it or I would get killed". Jose disclosed this with feelings of remorse by adding: "Maybe now I am being punished for what I

did". Jose stated that he did not tell teacher anything else. He denied other allegations concerning raping people. Minor agreed to discuss these issues with his primary mental health counselor

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 09/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported several instances of community violence victimization and provided some trafficking concern indicators while working for [redacted]. The minor reported the federal authorities in Mexico beat him after suspecting criminal activity based on his looks, minor shared the people he worked for punished him if he did not comply with their directions, an unknown NARCO leader held him for a day in a half to make him stop working as a guide, and he was part of a car accident. Minor reported in November 2013 he was stopped by Mexican authorities and was accused to be a lookout for the Cartels. Minor denied being affiliated with Cartels at that time. Minor reported the men stopped him and hit him with their fists on his body and with a plastic weapon on the sole of his feet. Minor reported his feet were left feeling tender and he was not able to walk. Minor reported after being hit by officials and was dropped off in a different location and left to find his way back to his community. Minor reported he hitchhiked to be able to make it home. Minor reported since February 2014 he has been threatened and hurt by the people he worked for as a foot guide, Minor reported in February he told members of the Cartel that he did not want to work for them any longer since he was not getting paid for his services. Minor reported the men told him he had two choices, either continues working or they would hurt him. Minor expressed they did not verbalize they would hurt him, but that they pointed at a wooden paddle indicating the weapon they would chose to hurt him. Minor reported since then in five different occasions he was hit on his buttocks when he was not able to complete the work of guiding the people. Minor reported he was hit with a wooden paddle to the point of bruising. Minor reported he would receive between 10-20 hits with the paddle each time. Minor denied being paid what he was told, not receiving pay consistently, and being threatened to be hurt if he didn't continue working for the Cartel. Minor reported mid-March 2014 he, along with 5 other peers, were picked up by unknown men who were trying to gather information about what the minor and his peers worked in. Minor reported he believes the men were "NARCOS". Minor reported the man wanted make the minor stop working. Minor reported the people who picked them up first hit them with the back of weapons. Minor reported he was left with bruises on his arms. Minor reported he witnessed the men hit his friends in a worst manner than what he was hit. Minor reported the men blindfolded the group of teens and took a warehouse filled with dead bodies. Minor reported they remained in the warehouse for one day and a half. Minor reported while they were in the location the boss of the men who took them spoke with them to ask them to stop guiding people through the Mexican border. Minor reported he became frightened by the experience and stopped working as a guide until he was made to work again by the people of [redacted]

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Boystown

**Date of the Incident:** 09/04/2014

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/16/2014

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor was traveling in a truck along with five other girls at night. Before reaching the border, a few males had stopped the vehicle and assisted the girls off the truck and proceeded to question the girls about their respective ages. Minor reported her age to one of the males and was then taken to an isolated area. The male raped the minor with no witnesses around and threatened to kill the minor if she should report it to anyone.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** IES Weslaco

**Date of the Incident:** 09/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/11/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 09/12/14, an incident was reported between Medical Assistant [redacted] and UAC [redacted]. It was reported that MA [redacted] asked [redacted] if it was okay to accept a hug and kiss from her (kiss was to UAC's cheek); this entire

incident was witnessed by the other Medical Assistant, . did accept the hug and kiss on her cheek. However, this is not appropriate behavior and it is not acceptable to IES.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 09/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC disclosed transporting one bag of drugs across a Texas river when she was crossing the border from Mexico to USA. UAC stated that the coyote threatened her at gun point if she refused to transport the drugs. UAC reported transporting only one bag and then giving it to men that were waiting for her across the river. After turning in the bag UAC stated that the coyote released her and her aunt, and they were able to continue with their journey into the USA. UAC reported she did not receive any payments. Assigned clinician will continue to assist UAC to process her thoughts and feelings related to this incident. Processing history of trauma is part of UAC's treatment plan goals.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 09/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Clinician met with participant in order to address an incident with his peer. Staff was facilitating art class when she witnessed participant approach and pull down participant AMC's shorts and boxers, exposing him to the rest of the class. Staff immediately intervened and had both participants leave the classroom with her. Participant AMC reported he was waiting to turn in his art project when participant pulled down his pants. reported to staff Carolina that he was joking and was laughing about the incident. Program Manager, was informed about the incident.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** KidsPeace

**Date of the Incident:** 09/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

SIR notification emailed stated that UAC may be pregnant as a consequence of sexual abuse. SIR in UAC Portal does not explicitly state this to be the case.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** 08/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

reported that during the two weeks he has been here a minor who is his next door roommate has exposed his genitals. did not know when or where this happened. He stated he never reported because he did not want any problems with anyone. He also reported that another minor, also next door to him, has been bothering him while he is in the bathroom. He stated that a minor is always knocking on the door. He stated that today, while he was in the bathroom, the minor knocked on the door. yelled, "Leave me alone. Don't you see the bathroom is in use?" said the boy continued to bother him. opened the door and told the minor, "Is this what you want?!" and picked up his shirt. states he did this and then went back to the bathroom and to his bedroom.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Union County Detention Center

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

SIR regarding trafficking concerns is not recorded in the UAC Portal.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio TFC

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

SIR regarding pregnancy as a result of rape is not in the UAC Portal.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Catholic Charities Houston

**Date of the Incident:** 09/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed that his former sponsor tried to force him to smoke marijuana, snort cocaine, and drink alcohol several times. Minor stated that shortly after he was reunified with he started working with him in a paint factory. Minor stated that on several occasions after they returned from work, his sponsor would tell him that he had to smoke marijuana, snort cocaine, or drink alcohol because it was his house and his orders had to be followed in his house. Minor stated that his former sponsor did not hit him in order to make him smoke marijuana, snort cocaine, and drink alcohol. Minor stated that he did not do any drugs or consume alcohol and decided to leave before the situation got worse and that his former sponsor stole his last check when he left.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** 09/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 9/18/2014 at 9:50 am during vocational class, Vocational Coordinator was helping client finish making a beanie and while sitting on the desk attempting to teach how to finish the beanie client reached and touch her chest. Client was immediately re-directed right away and the incident was reported to Shift Manager. was redirected to remember he could not be touching people. He appeared to understand, laughed and said "Oh si no touch".

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Children's Home Tampa

**Date of the Incident:** 09/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Ms. , Lead Case Manager, met with to complete the Human Trafficking Screening Questions. The Lead Case Manager as well as Case Manager, Ms. Therapist and , Lead Clinician agreed to complete the Human Trafficking questions after insistently indicated the need to begin to work to pay a debt he owes in his home country. the case manager, has been working with two sponsors for who is the cousin of mother and David is the cousin. as well as Lead Case Manager, has been concern about as a safe sponsor due to reports provided by and his family in Guatemala. The family and indicated that requested money to sponsor the child. Yesterday, and spoke with the family in Guatemala making clear and specific that sponsoring services are free. Lead Clinician also encouraged s family to notify us if anyone request money for sponsoring . During the process of completing the Human Trafficking Screening Questions, informed that he will be working with in a Restaurant already identified by He will live with for a week and then he will rent a room closed by Also, today spoke with (with the assistance of the Therapist) to assess if is requesting any money for sponsoring According to the information provided by the Therapist, seems to be aware of the importance of education and he is not requesting any monetary compensation for sponsoring . indicated that he grew up with mother and they have a good bonding.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Youth for Tomorrow

**Date of the Incident:** 09/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

reported that the guide she traveled with, nicknamed (approximately 50 years old), took her and other immigrants to a house owned by and held them captive there for eight days. She reported she was tied down and beaten by cartel members daily. She stated that held her at gunpoint and raped her in front of other immigrant females.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** Catholic Charities Boystown

**Date of the Incident:** 08/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While being evaluated, minor disclosed she was raped during her journey. The reported the abuse to the abuse hotline on 09/17/2014. During yesterday's (09/17/14) exams minor was also told her pregnancy urine sample tested positive. Minor reported the pregnancy was a result of the rape during the journey. This clinician met with minor for crisis intervention on 9/17/14 and minor disclosed a previous suicidal attempt in where she ingested poison 6 months ago in her home country. Minor reported suicidal ideations at the present time. Minor was referred to Southern Winds Hospital, however, was taken to Baptist Hospital per ecommendation. Minor was taken to Southern Winds this morning for psychiatric assessment. Minor reported she was raped during the journey while in Mexico and the approximate date was 08/27/14. Minor reported she was raped by 1 guide who separated her and 3 other girls from the group. Per minor, 4 guides and 3 girls were present, however, reported being raped by 1 guide. Minor reported she had previously taken poison 6 months ago and would do so again if she was forced to keep her pregnancy. Minor also stated, she would bang her head against the wall or find other means for taking her life. Per minor, if she could not terminate her pregnancy she stated she would return to her home country leave the baby with her mother and take her life because she finds it would be easier to do in El Salvador. Minor also stated every time something goes awry she has suicidal ideations.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 09/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

At approximately 1:25pm noticed this minor sitting on the couch next to another program minor with suspicious looks on their faces. This minor then yelled out that the other program minor was trying to touch his penis. At this point all program minors were directed to go to their rooms. This minor and the other program minor continued to stay in the F1 Milieu with suspicious looks on their faces until finally going to their rooms. Once in his room checked in with this minor to ask him what had occurred, this minor stated that the other program minor wanted to touch his penis but instead grabbed his arm forcefully. This minor was then interviewed by Program Director Assistant Program Director and Milieu Supervisor This minor stated that his self and the other program minor were just playing around and ensured that the other program minor did not touch his penis and that he only touched his arm.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** CC Phoenix LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 09/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Foster Parents and disclosed to the Licensing specialist that there were issues with missing money, being late and using the phone without permission. On 9/17/14, the CM did a home visit and received the following information:

On Monday, September 15, Foster Parent [redacted] discovered that \$170 was missing from her purse. Part of the money was in her wallet and the other part was in the inside pocket of her purse. On Wednesday, 9/17, their daughter [redacted] discovered \$30 missing from her purse. The Foster Parents report that they believe [redacted] to be using drugs. He comes home much later than the agreed upon time and has excuses for why he couldn't make it home on time. He arrives sweating and appearing to be under the influence of drugs. The Foster Parent, [redacted] has experience with teens who have been under the influence of drugs because of his background as a preacher and states he is familiar with the symptoms. In addition, the family has discovered the cordless home phone to be either missing or left un-charged on 3 occasions, and they believe Jose to have been using the phone without permission. [redacted] has only made a couple of phone calls using his phone cards, and the only people he claims to be calling are his brother in Mexico and a friend in Texas. He has not divulged to the family with whom he was talking when the phone has gone missing.

On 9/18/2014, this CM called the Foster Parents to see if they had confronted the 4 boys in the home regarding the money. Foster Parent [redacted] disclosed that they did speak with them yesterday evening. When they called the boys down to talk to them, [redacted] was reluctant to join them in the living room and was called 3 times before he arrived. The Foster Parents stated that the money was missing and that if they were not responsible, they should not feel bad. This morning, one of the boys called Foster Parent [redacted] after leaving for school and disclosed that he had seen Jose with \$120 at the mall over the weekend. He stated that one of the other boys also saw the money.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 09/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

[redacted] noticed this minor sitting on the couch next to another program minor with suspicious looks on their faces. The other program minor then yelled out that this minor was trying to touch his penis. At this point all program minors were directed to go to their rooms. This minor and the other program minor continued to stay in the F1 Milieu with suspicious looks on their faces until finally going to their rooms. Once in his room [redacted] checked in with this minor to ask him what had occurred, this minor stated that he was only joking and did not grab his penis but did grab the arm of the other program minor.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Youth for Tomorrow

**Date of the Incident:** 09/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/16/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

Sponsor notified case manager that he and his brother-in-law (husband of sponsor's sister) received two phone calls each on 09/16/2016, from an unknown man, with a phone number from Texas, asking for sponsor to pay \$3,000 within the next 24-hours, if not, then the case would be closed and minor would be deported back to Guatemala right away. FBI was notified by lead case manager.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Casa Houston

**Date of the Incident:** 09/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/18/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

While Youth Care Worker [redacted] was monitoring clients on the 2nd floor in section 2 by room 7, client [redacted] approached [redacted] and asked, "if it was okay to have relations (boyfriend/Girlfriend) in SWKEY". Staff informed the client "that it was against the program rules." Then client [redacted] stated that at cleaning time between 7:40pm-8:00pm, in the laundry room, he saw minor [redacted] and minor [redacted] kiss each other on the mouth.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** St. PJ's Children's Home

**Date of the Incident:** 09/19/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/19/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The clinician, met with on 9/19/14 for individual therapy. During session, requested to speak with his cousin, stating he was not able to reach him during his two calls this week. The clinician granted his request and allowed a 15 minute phone call to his cousin. The clinician listened as talked on the phone. The clinician overheard elling his cousin about the program, expressing that he did not feel comfortable here since he is not used to being locked up in a facility. As the conversation continued, began to tell his cousin that it was not so bad being in care, as there are pretty women here. He started describing the clinician, stating she is tall, has dark hair and brown eyes. then told his cousin that he could only look and not touch. He stated "aquí no se puede enamorar a las mujeres como la que tengo enfrente de mí". continued to talk to his cousin. stated to his cousin that he cannot make anyone fall in love with him. He continued stating that, if only it could be the other way around, where the women here can initiate something and get him out of care.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** St. PJ's Children's Home

**Date of the Incident:** 09/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 09/18/2014, while getting ready to enter a shower stall, pulled the curtain of a shower stall that was occupied. Minor stated incident was an accident.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Children's Village Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 09/19/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/19/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

While the residents were in the media room waiting to transition to the classroom, minor put his hands in his pant and started touching his private part and moaning. Minor was redirected by staff, minor responded that it was his private part and he could do whatever he wanted. During gym class, minor took the basketball and threw it at a resident's face. Minor was redirected several times and was informed to sit down and not participate in the class if he was unable to follow the rules. Minor refused and at one point kicked a soccer ball at another resident's face. Minor continued with disrespecting staff. Minor throughout the day continued with his disrespectful behavior and sticking out his middle finger at residents and staff. Minor was singing inappropriate song about his private part and that he did not care and that he can do whatever he wanted. Minor refused to follow directions. Minor was passing gas loudly in the classroom and laughing. Minor also passed another resident sitting at a desk and passed gas in his face. Every time minor was redirected by staff he responded by telling them to kiss his ass. After school, as minor was transitioning back to the cottage, minor grabbed an umbrella and swung it a resident. In the media room and tried to grab another minor by the neck and informed if he had the opportunity to be alone with him he would kill him and referred to him as a dog.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 09/19/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/19/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor while in school (Gym area), stated to direct care to tell direct care in Spanish, "Digale a que la quiero mucho" meaning "Tell that I like he a lot". Minor was redirected and explained that what he stated was not acceptable in this program. He then continued to state again in Spanish to direct care "Bueno, si no le puede decir a ella le digo a usted. Meaning well, if I can't tell her I will tell you". Minor then was redirected again and told that he cannot be stating those comments to anymore no matter who they are because it's part of the program and rules. Shift Lead, was notified, who also notified case manager,

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 09/19/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

At approximately 10 am, while in the classroom, because was saying inappropriate sexual things (“I am going to fuck you in your ass- ass rape you”) to another youth.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland ICC

**Date of the Incident:** 09/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported that, during her journey to the United States (while in Togo), she was sexually assaulted by an unknown man. Minor reports that this occurred in August of 2014. Minor reports that she was staying the home of her stepfather’s friend when an unknown man came into the room she was in and attempted to push her down. At that point, minor states that she started screaming and that the man told her to be quiet. Minor states that stepfather came in and intervened immediately and prevented any further harm. Minor presented as calm when she made this report. She acknowledges that she felt afraid when this happened, but denies any symptoms of trauma such as nightmares, flashbacks, or avoidant behaviors related to the incidences.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Alexis Cohen

September 21 – September 27, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **2**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **7**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **5**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **3**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **0**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **2**
- Other: **3**

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**Total Number of major SIR: 22; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 402; Number of SIRs for FY14: 24,484**

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Nova Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 09/21/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/22/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

While eating lunch in the cafeteria, UAC [redacted] was observed winking and licking his lips while staring at a female staff member. He had previously been warned several times by staff that this type of behavior is unacceptable. For failure to comply and inappropriate gestures towards female staff, UAC [redacted] will receive a 24 hour room restriction.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Casa Lighthouse

**Date of the Incident:** 09/08/14

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/21/14

**UAC:**

**Summary of SIR:**

On time and date mentioned above, client reported to clinician that when he arrived to [redacted] Mexico, one policeman of that country detained him and his two friends and gave them to a unknown man, after speak. The client indicated they were locked up for seven days in a room. Client reported they were threatened with death if not carrying drugs and weapons. Client reported that four unknown adults was harmed. The client reported he was taken by four men (a gang called [redacted] in Sonorita, Mexico. The Client reported was the Police of [redacted] (one Policeman) who handed the client and his friends to a unknown men. The client reported they were forced to carry drugs and weapons in 10 suitcases. Client reported that four unknown men were in charge. Client states he was forced. Client states he and nine young men walked during 17 days (during the day or night) and were poorly fed. Client insists they were threatened with death if not carrying drugs and weapons. Client denies he will receive payment for his work.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** CC Phoenix LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 09/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Foster Parents [redacted] and [redacted] disclosed to the Licensing specialist that there were issues with missing money, being late and using the phone without permission. On 9/17/14, the [redacted] did a home visit and received the following information: On Monday, September 15, Foster [redacted] discovered that \$170 was missing from her purse. Part of the money was in her wallet and the other part was in the inside pocket of her purse. On Wednesday, 9/17, their daughter [redacted] discovered \$30 missing from her purse. The Foster Parents report that they believe [redacted] to be using drugs. He comes home much later than the agreed upon time and has excuses for why he couldn't make it home on time. He arrives sweating and appearing to be under the influence of drugs. The Foster Parent, [redacted] as experience with teens under the influence of drugs because of his background as a preacher and states he is familiar with the symptoms. In

addition, the family has discovered the cordless home phone to be either missing or left uncharged on 3 occasions, and they believe [redacted] to have been using the phone without permission. [redacted] has only made a couple of phone calls using his phone cards, and the only people he claims to be calling are his brother in Mexico and a friend in Texas. He has not divulged to the family with whom he was talking when the phone has gone missing.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Boystown

**Date of the Incident:** 09/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/16/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Minor provided additional information regarding her rape. Per minor, she was raped while she was being transferred from immigration to a shelter. Minor reported. She was apprehended and taken into custody where she was fingerprinted and photographed. Minor reports after a few hours she was taken by immigration officials with 5 other minor girls and they were being transported to another shelter when their truck was stopped. Minor reported 2 men in a red truck separated from her the other 5 girls and took her to a remote location where one of the men proceeded to rape her while the other watched. Minor reported she believes they were Mexican but only spoke in English to each other. Minor reported after the abuse they dropped her off outside the shelter. Minor reported she was taken in by staff and was taken care of while there. Minor reported she observed immigration officials transporting other children used a code to enter the facility and the 2 men in the red truck did not, therefore, leaving her outside the shelter.

Clinician called the Florida Abuse hotline and spoke to [redacted] at 2:45 pm who stated report could not be taken and transferred clinician to Texas State Hotline. Clinician reported to [redacted] at 3:20 pm. Report was accepted and clinician was informed this report would be sent to Texas Law Enforcement for further investigation. Reference number given was #65268429. Clinician notified ORR and spoke to James 202 401-5709 at 4:00 pm. Officer Chang Badge 7869 and Officer Carbello from Miami Dade Police Department reported minors case to sex crimes unit. It was reported MDPD sex crimes unit will notify Texas sex crime unit. Case number provided for case is [redacted] 4:35 pm.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Morrison Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 09/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/22/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor was sent to his room during school due to disruptive behavior. During school break, a separate minor noticed this minor attempting to commit suicide with his sweater. Milieu Supervisor [redacted] immediately opened this minor's room door and sent all other minors down to their rooms while County staff called for "back up." During this time, Milieu Supervisor talked to this minor, asking him to remove the sweater. As program staff approached, this minor began to tighten his sweater and tried to kick staff. County staff then utilized CPI restraining techniques to interrupt the suicide attempt and then escorted this minor to the medical close observation room. Following the use of CPI restraining techniques, this minor made an allegation to program Clinician [redacted], stating he was punched in the face on his left cheek by a County staff involved in the restraint. However, an hour later, this minor stated that this County staff accidentally hit him in the face as they were trying to remove the sweater from around the minor's neck during the intervention.

Addendum: PD followed up with investigation regarding allegation. Based on all information and accounts, no misuse or abuse of restraint was issued against minor. PD also spoke with FFS to provide update and information which conclude investigation and no abuse on minor was incurred.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Children's Center Jameson TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 09/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

After returning home for the evening UAC came into foster mother's home. Upon arrival foster parent noticed that uac's eyes were red. Foster mother then proceeded to question uac's behavior. Foster mother asked uac: "have you been smoking marijuana"? UAC did not deny the use of marijuana and stated, "yes".

**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Children's Center Brazoria

**Date of the Incident:** 09/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/22/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Teacher reported that during the class activity she observed that UAC was a little bit distractive and not focusing on his academic task, when she approached to him, she noted that UAC was drawing a big penis on his notebook, when UAC got aware that his teacher was approaching to him, he was trying to erase it.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 09/23/2014

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/23/2014

**Summary of SIR:**

While conducting the Sponsor Assessment follow up questions over the phone at the Case Manager office, the sponsor made disclosure to Case Manager On 9/21/14, Mr. reports that he received a phone call to his cell phone from a private caller who is an unidentified male requesting fees in exchange for the minor. The unidentified male requested money to be wired to a Western Union account. Before further instructions, sponsor explained he was already in contact with minor and immigration [09/20/2014 at 4am]. Sponsor requested if he, indeed, had minor, to hand the phone over so sponsor was able to speak to minor. Phone call was disconnected. No further contact has been made since. Case Manager reiterated to sponsor that there are no fees associated with the release of the child and encouraged sponsor not to pay any fees requested. Case Manager encouraged sponsor to advise Case Manager if contact is made again. Sponsor agreed. Sponsor denies any other contact made requesting fees for the minor's release. Sponsor added, travel arrangements were made by mother in home country and he had no specific knowledge of arrangements made.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland SCiy

**Date of the Incident:** 09/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed that she was raped, threatened and kidnapped during her journey to the US. The minor reported that police officials were following her and her cousin, (20), as well as other 8 undocumented people. The minor reported that she was then separated from her cousin, (20), and the group in Arriaga, Mexico. The minor reported that she was lost and continued to walk alone in the nighttime searching for her cousin, (20), and the undocumented group. The minor reported that as she was walking alone she saw a group of 4 men and she reported she became scared and started to run away in the opposite direction of the 4 men. The minor reported that, as she was running, she turned around to see if someone was following her and reported that one male was chasing her. The minor reported that she continued to run away and as she was running she fell down a hill, attempting to lose him. She reported that he followed her down the hill and grabbed her while she was still on the ground. The minor reported that she screamed and cried, "no me hagas nada" (don't do anything to me). The minor reported that the male then continued to grab her and he threatened to kill her with a "filo" if she did not engage in sex with him. The minor reported that she cried and yelled to the male, "no me hagas nada. No me mates" (don't do anything to me. Don't kill me). When asked what a "filo" was the minor reported it was like a type of edged knife. The minor reported that the male then raped her and kidnapped her. The minor reported that the male threatened to kill her if she screamed or attempted to get away from him. The minor reported that she traveled with the male for one day to Mexico and was able to escape from him. The minor reported that the male held her by her wrists. The minor reported that as she traveled with him to Mexico he had raped her 3 more times. The minor denied being physically hit by the male. The minor reported that she asked the male to let her go to the bathroom and the minor reported that she was then able to run away from the male. The minor denied being solicited for money. When asked if she knew why the male kidnapped her, the minor reported that she did not know and denied the male telling her his plans. In Mexico, she sought help from an older female stranger whom then provided the minor with food and shelter. The minor reported that the female stranger helped her get in contact with her mother, in

home country. The minor reported that she stayed with the female stranger for 9 hours while [redacted] contacted the minor's cousin, [redacted] (20), to pick her up from the stranger's home. The minor reported she found a female stranger who provided her with shelter, food, and assist her with being in communication with her mother for 9 hours. The minor then reported that she was able to contact her mother in home country to notify her cousin, [redacted] (20) to pick her up from the female stranger's home. The minor then reported that her cousin, [redacted] (20), picked her up and they continued to travel to the US.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Children's Village

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

SIR regarding mother's (possibly sponsor's) prostitution is not recorded in the UAC Portal.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Children's Village

**Date of the Incident:** 09/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Today we received an incident report from [redacted] the Assistant Supervisor of Wolfe Cottage that occurred on Saturday, September 20th, stating that youth specialist, Yoelina Abreau had seen youth specialist, [redacted] get hit by the resident, [redacted] and [redacted] in turn grabbed the resident by the arm and shook her. According to [redacted] also yelled at the minor.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 09/23/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/24/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

Another UAC disclosed that she saw [redacted] and a female UAC kissing Friday night during the talent show. The therapist met with [redacted] on an individual basis to ask her about the allegations. [redacted] confirmed that the female UAC and her are "dating and are girlfriends". [redacted] confirmed that during the talent show the female UAC was sharing her lip-gloss with her and when she returned the lip gloss they exchange a kiss. During class the teacher found a letter for [redacted] confirming a kiss was exchanged. When therapist was inquiring about the kissing incident she also disclosed that when she was 7 years old her female cousins ages 9 would play "house" with her and would touch her body parts, i.e. chest and vagina area. She reported that never disclosed this information to her mother or in previous records. The therapist called the abuse hot line and spoke with [redacted]. This call was not taken because the minor does not have and will not have contact with her cousins in home country. Therapist also processed this with her during session. She appeared calm and stable. In addition, therapist was transferred to Martin County Sheriff department. Deputy Dau came to Sandy Pines took a report; resident has a call number [redacted]. No further investigation at this time due to this occurring in home country out of jurisdiction.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Board of Child Care

**Date of the Incident:** 09/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

[redacted] was observed grabbing his groin while sitting at his desk in the classroom, the behavior lasted approximately 10 seconds at which point the minor stopped without the need for prompting from staff. On 9/23/14, this same behavior was observed by classroom staff, lasting for only a couple seconds, and stopped without prompting. Youth was fully clothed during both incidents and at no point acted inappropriately towards staff or peers.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 09/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

A victim of trafficking eligibility letter was received for

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Helping Hands

**Date of the Incident:** 09/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/20/14

**Summary of SIR: (2)**

A UAC in care on route to reunite with his sponsor reported to staff that had sexually abused 2 boys in El Salvador. According to staff and him were discussing if he knew anyone from back home that was at the shelter, stated yes he knew two of the UAC's. then reported that had done something he was not supposed to in El Salvador. He reported that had raped two boys in El Salvador, he reported that was arrested and in jail for 2-3days but release since there was not enough evidence. According to the towns people were aware of this situation and wanted to kill therefore both their mothers got together and planned the journey to the US.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** LSSNE

**Date of the Incident:** 09/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

This worker, received call from case worker she had been notified by school principal that around 10AM male student/UAC had approached UAC and put his hands around/ attempted to put his hands around her multiple times even after she had pushed him away and told him to stop. It wasn't until teacher intervened that UAC stopped attempting to put his arms around UAC Per school principal SA, UAC made the remark that this is not the first time UAC had attempted to touch her in a similar manner but she had always brushed him off.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** United Methodist Home

**Date of the Incident:** 09/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Two staff members, and were discussing salsa (food) in the kitchen. commented to that her salsa was not very hot, but as someone from Mexico, she felt that the hotter her food, the better. asked f she liked "chili". This is a term that could have a double meaning. Isela commented that she does like spicy food and for her, spicy food is good food. commented that Isela was like the food. Some of these words are lost in translation, however both and felt this was inappropriate language and behavior and the other UACs were laughing as a result of this conversation. Isela let him know that his behavior was inappropriate and to be respectful towards staff. apologized. It seems that showed an inappropriate sexual behavior toward staff as well, he is still displaying bullying behavior toward peers and adults. Regarding the inappropriate sexual behavior, it appears that he asked a young care female for a kiss. Regarding calling names, it seems that he calls names to his peers such as On September 25, 214, participated in an individual session with Clinician. Clinician discussed with those incidents and Clinician transferred to him the following skills: reviewed home rules, the consequences of bullying, coping skills, and appropriate behavior toward peers and adults.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland SCiy

**Date of the Incident:** 09/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/26/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The minor reported that during her journey to the US she was sexually assaulted during the journey by 3 fellow migrants who fondled her and pulled down her pants.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Nueva Esperanza

**Date of the Incident:** 09/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/26/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client expressed he was threatened and told to do a trip to smuggle humans across the river. Client expressed he informed his contacts he would no longer be crossing with them. Client expressed he left the area and was followed and stopped in his car. Client shared a man exited out of the car which was following his and told him not to forget that he (client) was working for [redacted]. Client shared that he told them he was not working for anyone. Client shared the man told him that he would kill him if he did not cross the people. Client expressed he told the man to kill him if he wanted to. Client shared that the man told him to cross the people and the client ended up smuggling the people across the river.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Crittenton LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 09/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 9/25/14 foster mother called this on call worker to report that [redacted] had allegedly smoked Marijuana in the bedroom. She addressed the smell in the bedroom with [redacted] and the other youth sharing the bedroom. The other youth reported that [redacted] had smoked Marijuana in the bedroom. Foster mother spoke to [redacted] privately as well and he did not deny smoking the Marijuana. He stated that foster mother already knew so why should he admit it as per foster mother. This on call worker followed paging guidelines and reported to Program Director.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 09/26/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/26/14

**Summary of SIR:**

[redacted] reported to clinician that while living in Guatemala she was unwillingly withdrawn from school, while in the third grade, by her stepfather and forced to work the coffee fields. [redacted] reported to clinician that she worked the fields from age seven, 2006 to age 13, 2012. Her stepfather [redacted] would take her earnings, as well as her mother's and older brother's earnings (now an adult), to provide for his other seven biological children. [redacted] also reported that he would force them to work, was verbally abusive with profanity and threatened to not feed them. Additionally, she reported that she was not provided with sufficient water when tired, while working and on one occasion witnessed her mother get sick while working and was not provided medical assistance. [redacted] reported that her mother left step-father three years ago and has worked on her own since, adding that she stopped working in the fields when her mother left her stepfather.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Nueva Esperanza Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 09/26/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/27/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported that [redacted] asked minor if he wanted to work and minor mentioned that [redacted] showed minor his 380 pistol at this time. Minor was told he was going to be paid \$700 USD each time he guided immigrants. Minor refused to accept offer. Minor was then threatened with the pistol and was forced to get into the truck. Minor was taken to TX to a stash house. [redacted] left minor with the immigrants and returned by 6:00 am on Tuesday, September 16, 2014. Minor stated that [redacted] was driving and they transported about 15 immigrants. Minor kept telling [redacted] he didn't want to go.

Minor reported that they were dropped off on a lonely country road. \_\_\_\_\_, minor, and 15 immigrants walked for 4 days. Minor stated that on the second day, a 16 year old female was squatting on the ground urinating when \_\_\_\_\_ approached her and began caressing her. Minor pushed \_\_\_\_\_ in the young girl's defense and \_\_\_\_\_ slapped the minor. A physical altercation took place between the two. Minor was punished by having his hands and feet tied up when they rested. \_\_\_\_\_ continued to threaten everyone with a gun. Minor was forced to continue working because \_\_\_\_\_ threatened to kill minor's mother. Minor felt he had to defend the immigrants. Minor stated he cried a lot on this journey because he feared for his life. His cell phone was taken away. He was able to steal his phone from \_\_\_\_\_ while he was not looking and called his girlfriend's mother. When asked why he did not call his own mother, minor stated his girlfriend's mother is a US citizen and would have a better time assisting him. Minor reported that he was not given any food or water by \_\_\_\_\_, but was given some food by the immigrant that was carrying the food and water \_\_\_\_\_ was unaware that he was given food. On the 4th day, minor woke up and saw that he was left behind. Minor was tied with his hands behind his back and his ankles were tied together. He stated it took him 5 hours to loosen the knots on his wrists to set himself free. Minor decided to continue walking for 2 more days until he reached \_\_\_\_\_ Texas, where he was apprehended by BP agents. He was processed at the Border Patrol station in \_\_\_\_\_ Texas, but was then transported to the local hospital where he stayed for 3 days. Minor suffered dehydration, rope burn, and cuts and scrapes from running through the brush. He was then transported to \_\_\_\_\_ BP.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Mata Sebgoya

November 02 – November 08, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

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**Total Number of Major SIRs: 32; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 464; Number of SIRs for FY15: 2562**

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Holy Family Institute

**Date of the Incident:** 11/01/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/01/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC decided that she would watch TV when it was time to get ready for dinner. The staff unplugged the television when UAC didn't stop using the remote control. The staff positioned herself between the TV and the plug because UAC wanted to plug the TV back into the outlet. UAC was about to slam the glass living room door to get to the outlet on the wall behind the door, the staff kept her foot at the base of the door so that UAC could not shut it forcefully. UAC suddenly moved towards the door to shut it, but instead she hit her head on the door. She immediately began to cry. The staff told her that the nurse and supervisor would be called. She was upset and ran to another resident to cry. She began saying that the staff hit her. When the supervisor on duty arrived UAC again accused the staff of hitting her. However, when UAC saw that the staff was trying not to cry, she ran to the staff to give her a hug. She turned to the supervisor and denied her original accusation. The staff was removed from the facility and the nurse came to the house at 5:45 to check UAC's head.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Catholic Charities Forth Worth

**Date of the Incident:** 10/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/03/14

**Summary of SIR Addendum:**

According to Dallas ICE officials, on Monday October 27, 2014, at approximately 1315 hours, the Dallas ICE Fugitive Operations Team, in a joint effort with Dallas PD and HSI Special Agents, in an attempt to locate a suspect in another open case, encountered the child in a makeshift room within the location that was being investigated. The child was placed at the Catholic Charities Fort Worth Assessment Center on the evening of Monday October 27, 2014. During completion of the child's initial intake assessment on the morning of Tuesday October 28, 2014, the child stated to case manager Castro that her name is not [redacted] but rather, [redacted] and that rather than being a 14 year old (DOB: [redacted] citizen of El Salvador, she is in fact 18 years old (DOB: [redacted] and a citizen of Mexico. The child reported that as a young child her biological father in El Salvador "did not want her" and "gave her away" to a "friend" of his in Mexico. According to the child, her biological mother did want her, but because her biological father was "not sure that [the child] belonged to him," he refused to let her biological mother keep her. According to the child, she has lived with her "adoptive" mother in Mexico, in the city of [redacted] since she was a young child and, although the child could not provide any identifying paperwork, is also very adamant that she is 18 years old and not 14, as alleged by Dallas ICE and ORR Placements. According to Dallas ICE officials, the child is also a suspected victim of trafficking, as she traveled to the United States to live with her 42 year-old "boyfriend" who is currently a fugitive. Dallas ICE officials stated that the man in question, Mr. [redacted] paid \$8,000 to bring the child to the United States. At this time the child has not disclosed any information regarding her being trafficked, and has stated that she and 42 year-old, Mr. [redacted] are in a "relationship" and are going to get married. The child has reported multiple timelines for when her travel to the United States took place, including a report that she's been in the United States for 8 months, for 5 months, and



"since June of this year." The child also stated to clinician [redacted] that she was 14 years old when she left her "home country" to come to the United States. At this time it is unclear to Catholic Charities Fort Worth Shelter staff the true identify and age of the child.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** David and Margaret

**Date of the Incident:** 10/23/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During initial assessment, UM disclosed that his journey was paid with a loan that father acquired from a friend. UM stated the plan was that he was to cross the US/Mexican border with the assistance of guide and travel to Miami, Florida where a family friend had work ready for UM and his brother, [redacted] who also traveled to USA and is currently also detained under DCS Shelter. UM stated once he arrived to family friend's home he would work and he would live in friend's home. UM stated money was said to be deducted from his pay from working to pay his housing and food.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Nova

**Date of the Incident:** 11/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/03/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Staff member [redacted] was on the back hallway of Unit 4 performing room checks. When she arrived to UAC [redacted] s room at 9:00, he began to talk to her, saying "Can I ask you a question?" Staff replied "yes, what is it?" UAC [redacted] replied, "do you like it up the ass?" Staff verbally redirected UAC [redacted] that his behavior was inappropriate, and continued with room checks. When staff returned fifteen minutes later, at 9:15 AM, UAC [redacted] was observed displaying sexual gestures towards her. UAC [redacted] was again verbally redirected that his behavior was inappropriate. Staff continued performing room checks on other units. When staff returned fifteen minutes later to UAC [redacted] room, at 9:30 AM, he was observed exposing his genitals to staff. He was laughing, and said "I want you to look at it." UAC [redacted] remained in his room with no further incident.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Crittenton Services Foster Care

**Date of the Incident:** 11/02/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/02/14

**Summary of SIR:**

11/2/2014 at 9 pm foster mother, [redacted], reported that she suspected [redacted] to have been under the influence of Marijuana during the late afternoon to early evening hours of 11/2/2014. FM reported that [redacted] left the home at about 3:30 pm to go to the park and arrived back in the home at 5:30 pm. She reported that when [redacted] arrived at home his eyes were red and droopy and behaved as if he were under the influence of marijuana. Foster mother reported that she had company visiting on the same evening and did not address the issue with [redacted] immediately, but instead waited until the house guests left the home and then reported the incident to this on call social worker. She reported that [redacted] was in his room and had gone to sleep early. This worker reported the incident to Program director,

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** David and Margaret

**Date of the Incident:** 10/23/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During UM's initial intake, UM stated he and his father planned the journey to USA. UM stated family borrowed money to pay guide. UM stated he and his brother, [redacted] who also is currently under DCS care, traveled. UM was told to follow guide's directives. UM was told that once he crossed the US/Mexico Border he would travel to father's friends home, who will have work ready for UM and brother. UM was informed that he would have food and housing available also. UM stated that the cost of housing and food would be deducted from pay provided for labor.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 11/02/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/03/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the course of a clinical session the minor disclosed traumatic experiences occurred during her journey from home country to the USA including sexual assaults and witnessing death and dismemberment. The minor reported she traveled from home country to the USA in the mid-to-late summer of 2013. She traveled with her 17 year old maternal cousin. The two minors traveled together from home country with a guide leaving home approximately 7/6/13. They traveled by bus to the Guatemala and Mexico border where they stayed in a home or "casa hogar" 3 days where they were helped but their guide abandoned them. They then began going by train until around Mexico City. They continued on by train and soon met another guide who told them he would help them cross the rest of the way and that everything would go well. However, he instead took them to his home for 5 days and abused the minor sexually on three occasions. She states he threatened her that if she did not do what he said he would find her family in Honduras and bring them harm and turn her in to who would "do worse" to her and then kill her. She believes his friend may have abused her cousin but she is unsure because she did not report anything to the minor. After the 5 days, per the minor, his boss made him release them because their families paid for their release. He sent the minors from there by bus to [redacted] They were walking 7 days in the desert in Mexico without food and water and feeling very ill. They crossed the border at the river and had to walk for the day and the night because the new guide left them. The next day ICE found them and the minor was detained. The minor also disclosed that she witnessed much death and dismemberment while riding the train in Mexico. She reported people would fall off the train and she witnessed them either dying or getting dismembered by the train. She also saw people fall off or get decapitated from standing or dancing on the train and the injuries would occur when passing hanging cables. On one occasion people were lying down on the train, the minor as well, and she realized the man lying next to her was dead and had turned purple. The minor states these left very "ugly" images in her mind. The minor reports a history of flashbacks or intrusive thoughts due to these experiences as well as abuse she endured (abuse is documented in a separate SIR). She reported she would see images of her sexual abuser's face while living in Missouri when she would have to go down to the basement to get laundry. She also reported at these times she experienced tactile sensations of someone touching her.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** SWK Nueva Esperanza Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 11/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported that on October 29, 2014 he was apprehended by immigration officers. Client was placed on the ground by immigration officers and he was handcuffed. One of the officers turned him around and punched minor in the face. Minor stated that he asked the officer to stop but he would not and he was hit approximately 6 times. Minor does not have any marks or bruises on his face.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** SWK Rio Grande

**Date of the Incident:** 11/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth reported the following three incidences that stand out in his mind. He stated on Friday, 10/31/2014, SL [redacted] asked staff members to escort youth, [redacted] and youth, [redacted] to New York wing. As the YCW was escorting them Mr. [redacted] was walking down the hall turned around and began walking towards them. Youth states [redacted] pointed at him and stated, "Vas a tener problemas conmigo, [redacted]". Youth states he replied, "Yo no tengo problema con nadie". At which point, [redacted] threw his body forward as he was yelling, "Vas ir a Nueva York", to which youth replied, "vamos ir a Nueva York para hablar contodos" (Youth indicated [redacted] was looking for [redacted] SS, so they could all talk) and [redacted] replies aggressively, "aqui orita yo te estoy mandando" leaving to look for staff. Youth were escorted to Hudson day room, at this time, youth say Lead Clinician, [redacted] and requested to speak to her and informed her he

wanted to file a police report against [redacted] for Verbal Harassment. Later in the day when they were outside eating youth states he was feeling very uncomfortable because Mr. [redacted] was staring him down. He approached APD, [redacted] and told her he wanted to go inside the facility because he did not feel comfortable being outside. Mrs. [redacted] spoke to Mr. [redacted] and told him about youth; youth is unaware what was said, however, he was not taken inside the facility. He states he then went to sit on one of the swings and throughout the time he was on the swing Mr. [redacted] was standing in front of him constantly staring him down. Another incident youth described was after [redacted] documented an incident report against him for not having brushed his teeth during the time given to complete this activity. Youth was upset and talking to another youth about the incident report he received for not brushing his teeth during allotted time due to having gone to medical and Mr. [redacted] heard him talking about this. Mr. [redacted] scorted youth to SL office and told him "si te oigo hablando de ese incidente otra ves to voy a dar otro incidente y vas a sufrir las consecuencias que to voy a poner". Lastly, youth reported an incident when he was chewing on a Styrofoam cup when he was approached by Mr. [redacted] and directed to stop chewing on the cup and stated, "Si te miro otra ves mascando el vaso te voy a poner incidente y te voy a poner cinta (tape) en laboca".

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland CRC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/04/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

DCFS call was made to report alleged inappropriate sexual behavior between the two minors. DCFS case worker [redacted] denied the investigation based on the grounds that this is not a sexual abuse. She stated that no report will be filed.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Youth For Tomorrow

**Date of the Incident:** 09/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/02/14

**Summary of SIR Addendum:**

Minor stated that she was traveling by car through Texas to the next stash house. Minor was pulled out of the car by a border patrol officer (he was wearing a green shirt) the officer grabbed her shirt and threw her to the dirt floor. Minor reported that her head hit the floor, injuring her neck as well.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Cayuga Centers

**Date of the Incident:** 11/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/03/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Case manager [redacted] received a phone call on Monday, November 03, 2014 at approximately 1:45pm, Sponsor [redacted] (paternal grandmother) contacted regarding UAC: [redacted] stating that her biological mother- [redacted] appeared at her home on Friday, October 31, 2014 stating that she wanted to see her daughter. The sponsor allowed her to see her daughter and stay at the home over night. Saturday morning upon waking up she noticed that [redacted] had taken the minor without consent with all documents that were given to the sponsor upon discharge. Sponsor is not aware as to how the biological mother received her home address and is aware that she lives somewhere in New Jersey. Please be advised that biological mother has not be in the minor's life since 2011 when she abandoned both the minor and sibling. [redacted] has contacted the police but the police cannot confirm legal custody since biological mother took all paper work as well.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** The Children's Village TRAC VII

**Date of the Incident:** 11/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Last night before bedtime [redacted] was observed by Direct Care Staff that she had a sharpie marker on her possession playing with it and her demeanor started to change. Direct Care Staff removed the sharpie marker from [redacted] possession, conducted a room check and found another sharpie marker on minor's belongings, which was also removed. Direct Care Staff documented the incident, and expressed concerns that the minor may have been sniffing the sharpie markers to get high. Today during a meeting with the Clinician and Case Manager the minor confirmed sniffing sharpie markers since Saturday night.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Helping Hands

**Date of the Incident:** 10/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 11/4/14, Youth worker [redacted] reported to Lead Case Manager [redacted] that UAC [redacted] reported to her that [redacted] and [redacted] another UAC) had kissed on the lips in the van on their way to a community outing. [redacted] made [redacted] aware of this report ASAP. [redacted] spoke with this case manager regarding the alleged kiss as [redacted] is not always honest and has had tension with [redacted]

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Nueva Esperanza

**Date of the Incident:** 11/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Clients were cleaning restroom and getting ready to shower when YCW [redacted] was asked to take a look at one of the restrooms by youth [redacted] because it was filthy. When [redacted] went to check the toilet youth [redacted] was getting into the shower when he heard Youth Jochua tell him that youth [redacted] was grabbing his genitals and telling him to look. YCW [redacted] got out of the toilet area to see what was wrong and Youth [redacted] explained to him what Youth [redacted] was doing. [redacted] asked youth [redacted] to please close the door and shower which he told [redacted] to shut up and he redirected him to close the door and shower. Youth [redacted] began to be silly and open the door and grab his genitals and [redacted] repeated to him to close the door and shower. YCW [redacted] came to the entrance of the restroom area and heard [redacted] telling Youth [redacted] to close the door and shower. Youth [redacted] repeated the action again and finally closed the door and began to shower.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** ST Pj's Childrens Home

**Date of the Incident:** 11/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On the above date CM received an IR for minor [redacted] IR stated, "Staff waking up the boys and monitoring them as they're waking up. When [redacted] was calling staff to come to his room and he said to make a report. Ms. [redacted] went to his room to check what was wrong. [redacted] said [redacted] went inside his room to check what was wrong. [redacted] said [redacted] went inside his room and uncovers him by pulling the blanket to the side. He said [redacted] then touch his butt and ran to his to his room. Staff call [redacted] as soon as [redacted] said what happen in his room. [redacted] came over to monitor and to talk to [redacted] he did say he did it and was sorry he did it and did it as a joke. After talking with [redacted] apologize to [redacted] and they both shook hand and [redacted] was O.K with it."

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** IES Foster Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 11/5/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/5/14

**Summary of SIR:**

An allegation was made that UAC made a statement that she would cause bruising on her daughter as a means to file a child abuse report against her foster parents.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Casa Blanca

**Date of the Incident:** 5/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The youth disclosed that approximately six months ago she was verbally harassed by an unknown male when she was eating alone at a restaurant. The youth reported that the male approached her and said that he wanted to have sexual relations with her and that he could be her boyfriend and provide her with what she needed. The youth was fearful so she left the restaurant and returned to her house without being followed. The youth was not physically harmed and never saw the man again. The youth disclosed that when she was in St. Luis, Mexico during her journey she was physically abused by three unknown males while riding on top of a train. The youth stated that the three men approached her and asked her to take off her clothing and to have sexual relations with them. The youth said that the men groped her breasts and her genitalia area over her undergarments. The youth said that she asked them to stop and was able to get away and jump off the train without being followed. The youth denied any further harm and is stable at this time.

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**Incident Type:** Incident Type: Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Sycamore Canyon Academy

**Date of the Incident:** 10/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/03/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC reported to [redacted] that in [redacted] Mexico, he was arrested by members of the [redacted] who would not allow UAC to continue his journey unless he transported drugs across the border to the U.S. . UAC reports that he either had to make a cash payment in advance to continue or transport the Drugs to the U.S.UAC made the agreement to bring over the drugs from Mexico from the gang members due to him not having the capability to make the cash payment they gang demanded from him so he could continue his journey. UAC carried a backpack with about 22 kilos with marijuana which was to deliver across the border in a van, UAC would be accompanied by a guide and a young man on the way. UAC was then intersected by immigration officers in the Arizona desert. UAC hid the backpack of 22 kilos of marijuana in the dessert prior to being detained. UAC reports that the guide left the area and he then reported to immigration during his detainment prior to arriving to the shelter by providing the border patrol officer with information and area where he left the backpack with the 22 kilos of marijuana for them to seize.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** IES Foster Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 11/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor [redacted] s making allegations of abuse by foster parent [redacted] Incident took place yesterday 11/4 and was reported yesterday evening. IES Harlingen Foster Program Director received a call from CPS Investigator [redacted] alleging UAC [redacted] and her child returned to Texas leaving her sponsor. According to information provided by CPS Investigator, UAC returned to Texas to live with Foster Parent's mother. CPSInvestigator indicated that they received a report from UAC alleging abuse against the foster parent.Three other UACs that were in the foster home were removed. Minors who were removed from the home are as follows:

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Children's Village

**Date of the Incident:** 11/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

As per behavioral report submitted by Youth Specialist the following incident occurred: The youth specialist arrived to Lord Cottage after her overnight shift at Stuart cottage. Upon arrival she shook this resident's hand to greet him and upon doing so he pulled her in and gave her a kiss on her cheek.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** Nuevo Amanecer LCS

**Date of the Incident:** 05/07/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/05/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On Wednesday November 5, 2014 UAC reported to case manager [redacted] that on May 07 2014, while she resided in [redacted] as she walked home from her friend's house she was approached and raped by an unknown male resulting in pregnancy. Per UAC she reported this incident to her mother but did not seek legal assistance. No further information was provided to case manager by UAC. On November 06, 2014 case manager [redacted] reported incident to Los Angeles County CPS and was told by [redacted] that she would call back with a reference number.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland CRC

**Date of the Incident:** 11/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During an individual clinical session, the minor disclosed being robbed at gun point and being forced to carry Marijuana across the U.S.-Mexico border. The minor's disclosure is indicative to trafficking concerns. The minor reported that during his journey to the U.S. he and his father were traveling to the U.S. to escape gang violence in Honduras. The minor stated that from Honduras they took a train to Mexico, where they then boarded the train for the duration of their journey. The minor stated that in Mexico, somewhere near [redacted] the train was stopped and all the migrants on the train were asked to leave the train. The minor reported that a group of [redacted] members then asked the migrants (about 100 individuals) from the train, to stand against a wall. The minor stated that the men (5-10 [redacted] members), all had guns including automatic weapons and tasers. The minor reported that they were then told to hand over all their valuables or they were be deported back to their home country. The minor stated that he was held at gunpoint as he and his father handed over all their money. The minor indicated that they had about 300 Mexican pesos. The minor reported that after they handed over the money they were allowed to board the train once again. The minor denied that he and his father were harmed in any way, but he did report witnessing several migrants being tasered and falling to the floor. The minor reported that after handing over all their money, the minor, his father and all the other migrants returned to the train to continue on their journey. The minor also reported being forced to carry Marijuana across the U.S.-Mexico border. The minor reported that after being held a gun point, they continued their journey to the U.S. via train and somewhere in [redacted] were stopped and deboarded the train once again. The minor stated that this time they were stopped by 5 men from the [redacted] or [redacted] cartel. The minor stated that they were armed with guns, and were informed once they deboarded the train that they would need to comply with the men or they were be killed or kidnapped. The minor reported that the group deboarded were approximately he, his father, and about 7 other adult migrants. The minor stated they were told at this point that they would have to carry drugs across the border. The minor denied being told at this point where they would be going, but stated that he felt that he needed to comply otherwise he or his father would be killed. The minor stated that he was only sure that they would cross the border, and would hopefully be released once they complied with the men's request. The minor stated that they were taken to a house nearby, where they were kept for approximately 3 days. The minor stated that they were fed twice a day, and left to sleep on the floor. The minor indicated that they were mostly left alone for most of the day and just provided with food. UAC denied any maltreatment while in the house. The minor stated that on the last day they woke up at 4am were they began to prepare for the journey to cross the U.S.-Mexico border. The minor stated that they were provided with some food and water to pack, and he was provided with a green/black backpack.

The minor was instructed to pack 50lbs of marijuana in plastic bags into his backpack. The minor complied with the request, and stated that he felt very scared but knew he had no other choice. The minor reported that they were then told that they would be crossing the desert.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Cayuga Centers

**Date of the Incident:** 11/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/07/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 11/06/14 at 4:15PM, during the completion of the UAC Assessment, UAC reported to Clinician, that he was apprehended in Texas by officer that was dressed in a green uniform. The officer grabbed him tightly and slammed him on the ground to put him in hand cuffs. UAC reported that he his stomach was in pain after being slammed by this officer on the ground. UAC reported that he begged the officer not to put hand cuffs on him but that the officer did not listen to him. UAC reported that while the officer was putting hand cuffs on him he grabbed him really roughly and tightly and placed his arms to his back while having him down with his face facing the ground.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Center

**Date of the Incident:** 11/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/07/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 11/06/14 Ms teacher, informed Ms. ORR/DCS Program Manager that UAC told her that she was pregnant with UAC child. She stated that on Tuesday, 11/04/14 UAC had gone to the bathroom and left behind his semen on toilet paper. She requested to go to the bathroom after him and introduced the semen in her vagina. UAC proceeded to inform Ms. that she could feel that she was pregnant. On 11/06/14, Ms. confronted UAC with this disclosure and UAC she admitted to having told Ms this information but denied having artificially inseminated herself. She stated that she was joking and that she did not know why she had said such a things. Ms. also spoke with UAC and he stated that he had not left his semen behind in the bathroom. On 11/07/14, UAC asked to speak with Ms. while she was in restriction for assaulting a local minor (please refer to SIR filed on 11/07/14). She informed Ms. that she had lied to her yesterday, and that in fact she had asked UAC to leave his semen in the bathroom and that she had inserted it into her vagina because she wanted to be pregnant. Furthermore, she informed Ms. that she "knew" that she was pregnant and that she did not want to have an abortion.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** ST PJ's Childrens Home

**Date of the Incident:** 11/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/07/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During Group activity on 11/6/2014, where group members were given the task of drawing something calming and relaxing, Clinician noticed drawing a picture of a naked man during ice breaker activity. The drawing included a smiling man with a penis and pubic hair. Clinician re-directed and picked up the drawing. Also during group activity, got up from his chair and put his mouth on the water cooler dispenser filter and started drinking water out of the dispenser filter instead of grabbing a paper cup and pouring water into it. was re-directed by Clinician and Water dispenser was cleaned and disinfected. On 11/7/2014, Clinician met with to address the drawing and to address his behaviors in group the previous day. denied drawing the picture and kept laughing and giggling at Clinician. would point to random objects in the room and state that those objects drew the picture. continued to laugh and giggle and continued to deny drawing the picture. When asked where he has seen an image of a naked man, stated that he once saw a naked man walking down the street in home country. stated that he was running an errand (buying sugar) at the store and noticed a man walking down the street naked. stated that man took his clothes off in the middle of the street and was walking around naked. reported that the naked man did not approach him. stated that he did not know why the man was naked on the street during the daytime hours. reported that he went home and told his Grandmother about

the incident. reported that his Grandmother began to ask him questions about the man and about the incident. stated that this incident occurred about a month before he decided to come to the United States. denied any type of sexual abuse and denied any other similar incidents. Clinician informed Jose that drawing these kinds of pictures is inappropriate. Clinician also addressed water cooler incident with and stressed the importance of following the rules. Jose stated that he understood the importance of following the rules and not drawing inappropriate pictures.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** A New Leaf

**Date of the Incident:** 11/04/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/07/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor's peer disclosed to staff member that UAC SS is 'in love' with staff. According to the peer, minor SS plans to make sexual advances on staff AM.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Nuevo Amanecer LCS

**Date of the Incident:** 11/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During case management the following UAC's , and reported that another UAC self- disclosed to them the following: "while living in Mexico she has had sex with her adult boyfriend who is a police officer". " she kissed a law enforcement officer (no name was reported) while at a store in the presence of another UAC ( . "she had intercourse with the foster mothers fifteen year old son". "While at foster home she was caught (by foster mother) naked with fifteen year old son". Case manager conducted an immediate safety assessment and individually interviewed all parties involved including UAC above referenced UAC's and foster parent. Foster parent stated that she never caught UAC and fifteen year old son naked and that is always supervised by foster parent while at the foster home. Foster parents' fifteen year old son denied having any intercourse or ever been naked with UAC.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Camino A Casa –Bay City

**Date of the Incident:** 11/07/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/07/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 11/7/14 at approximately 4:00pm, stated that he was kicked by a staff member earlier in the day. stated that due to being kicked, his lower right back hurt.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** BCFS Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 11/07/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/07/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 11/7/14 at approximately 2:50 p.m., while at the Administration Building classroom #8, UAC A# approached Direct Care Worker and voiced to him that on the night of 11/6/14 UAC had kissed Direct Care Worker who was assigned to that group. UAC A# stated that he witnessed UAC from group 24 in room #22 kissing Direct Care Worker UAC A# stated this occurred after DCW offered him a juice and they spent some time talking to one another. UAC A# further stated that UAC A# who is from the same group had also witnessed the incident. Direct Care Worker asked UAC A# to return to his chair and called UAC A# to ask him about the incident. Without mentioning anything, UAC A# voiced to Direct Care Worker the same information UAC A# had voiced to him.



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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** Heartland CHAP

**Date of the Incident:** 11/07/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/08/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 11/7/14 minor arrived to Heartland CHAP approximately 7 months pregnant. This was confirmed by positive results on the pregnancy exam. Minor reported the pregnancy was a result of a sexual assault in home country.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Catholic Charities Boystown

**Date of the Incident:** 11/07/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/07/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported to this clinician today that during her journey to the U.S., as she was riding a bus in Mexico, she was inappropriately touched on her left breast three times by one of the Mexican soldiers.

## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Sabrina Torres

November 23 – November 29, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **3**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **6**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **11**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **0**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **1**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **1**
- Other: **5**

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**Total Number of Major SIRs: 27; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 407 ; Number of SIRs for FY15: 3908**

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Selma Carson Home

**Date of the Incident:** 11/19/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reports being a 17 year old, his birth certificate hasn't arrived yet. Due to sexual abuse report, dates will be treated as if minor was born in 06/13/1997, due to minor reporting his age when he was abused. On 11/19/2014 when minor was completing his assessment, minor disclosed that when he was 16 years old, he exchanged sex for money with a 28 year old lady. Minor explained this lady named [redacted] minor doesn't know her last name, offered minor in the middle of the night 1500 pesos for exchange of sex with her. Minor agreed and went to look for his shoes and then walked to her home. Minor reported there was no trauma involved. Minor reported [redacted] moved out from same neighborhood. Minor reported another incident, when he was 17 years old, minor stated this happened recently, he used to play soccer in a soccer field and a lady would flirt with him. Minor stated he started running with her and developed a romantic relationship. Minor stated she was a 32 year old, named [redacted] Minor stated he liked her and they used to have sex. Minor stated it ended due to her having a boyfriend. CPS report 11/19/2014 at 4:16pm.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** CC Phoenix LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 11/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On November 20, 2014, the client's foster contacted the Case Manager and this Counselor to indicate the client was in the principal's office due to having a "BB Gun" in his possession. He was found to have the gun inside his school bag and he was allegedly holding it for another student. They suspended him from school until December 5, 2014 and he is pending further investigation. (The school completed their own incident report, Referral# [redacted])

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Hacienda del Sol

**Date of the Incident:** 11/23/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

From the perception of direct care staff SWK, it was observed and appeared that the [redacted] grabbed his [redacted] arm/hand and pulled his hand towards the [redacted] private parts.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** SWK Casa Houston

**Date of the Incident:** 11/23/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minors [redacted] and [redacted] were in classroom 3 with two staff members [redacted] and [redacted] working on a project. Staff [redacted] reported leaving the youth unsupervised for approximately 40 seconds when she stepped out of the classroom to give the keys to the laundry room to another staff member. In reviewing the camera footage, Shift Leader Ms. [redacted] observed the following: Ms. [redacted] observed staff [redacted] exiting the classroom to the restroom at 11:02:23 am (per time on camera). Staff [redacted] was left in the classroom with both minors [redacted] and [redacted]. Staff [redacted] then steps out of the classroom at 11:02:40 am (per time on camera) leaving both minors unsupervised for 40 seconds. Upon returning to the classroom at 11:03:21 am (per time on camera) staff GA is informed by minors that they have been left alone in the classroom. Staff [redacted] then calls staff [redacted] over the radio to come to the classroom. Staff [redacted] returns to the classroom in what appears to be in a rush. Ms. [redacted] makes her way to the classroom to see what had happened. Staff approaches her supervisor and notifies her that she left the classroom unintentionally. Ms. [redacted] gathered some information and informed staff RG that she would be reporting the incident to her immediate supervisors. As per Ms. [redacted] and Staff [redacted] the rest of the group were right outside the classroom playing pool and other activities. In reviewing the camera footage, both minors were observed sitting at the table as they continued to work on the project for the 40 seconds they were left unsupervised.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** St. PJ Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 11/23/14

**UAC:** N/A

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

At approximately 3:40 a.m., staff observed an unknown man sitting on top of the main gate. As staff approached the man, the man began mumbling obscenities. Staff called the San Antonio Police Department (SAPD) and alerted all houses on campus of the man sitting on the gate. Staff stepped away from the gate and monitored the man from a far. SAPD arrived at approximately 3:54 a.m. and spoke with the man. The man was observed to walk across the street to Mission Concepcion, and the officer drove away. Within a few minutes, the officer drove back toward Mission Concepcion and spoke with the man again. The man was then observed to walk away from Mission Concepcion and St. PJ's. Staff waved down the SAPD officer who indicated that the man appeared to be experiencing paranoia and was stating that someone was "trying to beat him." Detective Cantu indicated that he would stay within a block of St. PJ's to monitor the situation and ensure the man left the area. Staff continued to monitor the campus and reported no further sighting of the man.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Abbott House

**Date of the Incident:** 11/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the UAC assessment, [redacted] disclosed information pertaining to the reason for travel into the United States and the arrangements made by her mother. It appears that [redacted] the "alleged" sponsor, paid for [redacted] was to travel to the United States and live with [redacted]. She also disclosed that [redacted] was to make her work to pay off debt. [redacted] explained that a few years ago this occurred to her sister, [redacted] who is currently 16 years old. According to [redacted] her sister [redacted] remained in [redacted] care.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/31/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/24/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

ORR/ATIP has determined that [redacted] is eligible as a victim of trafficking. An eligibility letter has been sent. During an interview on 10/31/2014, minor disclosed that he was kidnapped by [redacted] in [redacted] MX. Minor stated that he then was taken to a house for one day. Minor denied any physical abuse or tortured by [redacted]. Minor stated that he was without food and water for one day. Minor stated that the next day he was taken near the Rio Grande River and told to

smuggle immigrants into the USA if not he "knew what can happened to him." Minor stated that he was instructed to smuggle the immigrants across the Rio Grande River and walk straight till he find a truck. Minor stated that he was apprehended by Border Patrol before reaching the truck.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Las Palmas

**Date of the Incident:** 11/21/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client disclosed that sponsor (client's aunt) used to wake her up around 3am every day to cook (including school nights), so uncle can take it to his work and sell the food to 6 people for lunch. Client reported that aunt said: "You came to the US to help out your family in Guatemala" Client also reported that aunt said she will send the money collected from the food to her family in Guatemala which she never confirmed with her mother. In addition to this client reported that sponsor made her cook dinner and clean the house after school every day before allowing her to complete homework.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland CRC

**Date of the Incident:** 11/23/14

**UAC**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

In the context of an initial UAC assessment, the minor reported that he was threatened with harm unless he participated in gang activity and collect extortion money from others when in home country. ATIP is also being included due to coercion indicators with labor or tasks. The minor stated that approximately two to three years ago, his cousin had begun to involve him in gang activity in El Salvador under the threat of death. He reports that his cousin, who was a member of gang, forced him to collect extortions and smoke marijuana, and was told by his cousin that if he did not do what he asked, he would kill him. He reports that on one occasion, his cousin threatened him in a barn that if he were to ever join the he (the cousin) would kill him (the minor). After his verbal threat, the minor reports that his cousin began to choke him, and choked him until he passed out on the floor. On another occasion that took place approximately a year ago, the minor reports that his cousin and another gang member went out to the river nearby, and he witnessed his cousin execute the other gang member for allegedly defecting to the rival The minor reports that after witnessing his cousin kill the other gang member; he had nightmares for two days after the incident. He denied any further difficulties, and denies any current difficulties with sleep, concentration, or appetite. The minor reports that he would spend a lot of time thinking about what his cousin would force him to do, and would hope that he would not be asked to do anything "worse", such as be asked to kill someone. The minor denies being a member of the gang, and states that he was in a minor role that most gang members would be "tried out" to complete small tasks for the gang members. He denies harming anyone in the course of being forced to work. He also reports that he was not able to tell anyone of what he was doing, as his cousin threatened to kill him if he told anyone. The minor reports that his cousin was incarcerated in El Salvador following the murder, and reports that it was then that he decided to come to the United States. He reports that once his cousin was incarcerated, he was able to tell his grandfather about the situation, and his grandfather helped him so that he may come to the United States.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 11/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 11/23/2014, resident was pretending to be holding either a cigarette or a joint and was showing another resident through the window and laughing about it. Resident kept on making crude jokes about sexual orientations of staff and would make inappropriate gestures towards other residents such as a masturbating motion and would pretend to be humping objects like basketballs and soccer balls.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Morrison Transitional Foster Care

**Date of the Incident:** 11/25/14

**UAC:** (b)(6)

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth reports that she was help in Immigration custody for about five nights. She and her brother reportedly separately that they were taken into custody last Thurs. 11/20/2014. Youth came into Micasa custody today, 11/25/14. According to the UAC Portal her "Apprehension and Transfer Information" referral date was 11/21/2014.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Friends of Youth

**Date of the Incident:** 11/18/14

**UAC:** (b)(6)

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

MHT met with minor to address reported comments and obtain additional information. Minor reported that a staff member at previous program made several comments to him and another resident, (b)(6) telling them that they were gay and homosexual. Minor reported that he and the other resident made several reports regarding these interactions by staff member to the program and the program did not do anything about it and minor stated that "we did what we needed to do". Minor reported that he and the other resident were able to quickly go to the staff member's motorcycle, without staff members noticing, and that the other resident took off a tube like part of the staff member's motorcycle that goes to the odometer. Minor reported that they did it with the intention to break the staff member's motorcycle, and denied any intent to have the staff member get into an accident or die. Minor was made aware of the seriousness, concern for safety and inappropriateness of behavior. Minor reported that he did not think he did anything bad because program staff failed to do anything about his reports.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Leake and Watts

**Date of the Incident:** 11/24/14

**UAC:** (b)(6)

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During an attempted assessment on Wednesday, November 19, 2014 clinician and CW were able to see that minor has difficulties speaking Spanish. Nevertheless minor reported that she traveled from Guatemala to the United States alone. However the minor gave a contradicting version the very next day stating that she traveled with an unknown man and woman from Guatemala to Mexico to work in Cancun. The very next day the version of the story once again changed and she stated she traveled with the woman alone until she made it to Mexico where this unknown man appeared. As noted the story is not consistent as the minor continues to give different versions. Minor first reported that she worked in Cancun for two months making 300 pesos. She stated she worked in a man's house cleaning plates. She reported she lived with this man in one of his rooms. Minor reported that the man's house in Cancun was a very big house that had six bedrooms and there were other children working for him, both male and female. Upon further conversation she added to the story reporting that she also worked in Monterrey for two extra months in a restaurant where she made 300 pesos for those two months where a woman paid her the money. When asked which city she worked in first she stated she was taken to Monterey first and then to Cancun. During an assessment with the minor on Monday, November 24, 2014 CW and clinician were able to have a translator who spoke her native language. During this assessment minor reported that she traveled from Guatemala with a woman who she met in her hometown but did not previously know. Minor stated that the woman asked her if she wanted to work in Cancun since she is very poor in Guatemala. Minor reported she asked her mother who gave her the permission to go and ultimately minor states it was her decision to go. Then minor reports that after arriving to Mexico the man appeared whom she worked for in Cancun who paid her 300 pesos for two months of labor. Minor reported she worked washing dishes and cooking 7 days a week from 5 AM to midnight. She also reported there were other minors in the home working for the same man. Then after speaking further minor reported that she left Guatemala with both an unknown man and unknown woman. Stories are not consistent and details regarding the identity of this man and woman have not yet been obtained. Minor reported that all together in the four months she worked in Mexico she made 600 pesos. She stated that the unknown woman that brought her from Guatemala to Mexico to work, took \$500 pesos out of the \$600 pesos she made as her payment for bringing her to Mexico. However this information is contradicting due to the fact that \$377.50 pesos were taken from the minor upon arriving to the program. During sessions both CW and

clinician noticed that minor speaks always covering her face and looking down. She will either put on the hood of her jacket to cover her face or use her hand to cover her face. During the assessment with the translator minor began to tremble from the very beginning of the conversation. During the translation minor gave different versions of her story several different times in which even the translator took notice of. Anytime she was asked questions about her travel or labor in Mexico a different version was told.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Center –Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 11/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/26/14

**Summary of SIR:**

                    was speaking to                    and                    while in her room. She then began to talk to                    in a sexual way about how she used to look good outside of the facility and that if he had seen her he would have been checking her out. She then asked in Spanish if                    had ever experimented with a Honduran girl.                    asked                    translated this to

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Shiloh Residential Treatment Center

**Date of the Incident:** 11/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/26/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During individual therapy, at approximately 2:30 pm, the client disclosed a history of sex trafficking while residing in her home country. The client reported she was 14 years old, living in the city of San Pedro, and residing with her sister when she was lured onto a motorcycle and taken to a secluded house/building. The client reported the house/building was used for prostitution. The client reported she was verbally threatened, physically assaulted, and continuously monitored to prevent her from escaping. The client reported being raped multiple times and sexually assaulted by various men. She reported being punched, slapped, and threatened with guns and knives. The client reported she was detained in the house for approximately one month. She stated escaping through a window with the help of a peer who was also residing in the house/building. The client reported that she believes the peer was killed after she allowed/aided the client in her escape. The client disclosed the name,                    as the person who was in charge of the sex trafficking and who often threatened her verbally and physically. She reported being informed that she was kidnapped due to her brother                    ties with the gangs and                    . The client stated that her sister                    and                    are the only family members aware of sexual exploitation and abuse. She also reported believing that her sister                    was partly responsible for her kidnapping. She reported her sister encouraged her to take the ride in the motorcycle with                    The client stated she did not previously disclose being a victim of sex trafficking and abuse, because she was afraid that                    would find out and seek revenge with her family.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Abbott House

**Date of the Incident:** 11/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/26/14

**Summary of SIR Addendum:**

The case manager                    and Program Director                    spoke with the potential sponsor                    on 11/26/14 @ 12:14 pm in regards to some discrepancies in the FRP packet and occupants in his residence. The sponsor stated that                    sister and her husband live in the home and that he is awaiting                    arrival. The sponsor stated that he paid for                    sister                    (16),                    (19) and                    (17) to come over to the United States and that these children are responsible to pay back the debt incurred for their travel.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Fairfield

**Date of the Incident:** 11/26/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/26/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During an interview with the Mexican consulate, [redacted] alleged mistreatment perpetrated by ICE officers. [redacted] narrates that while he was detained, an officer presented a document in English. [redacted] requested an explanation on the contents of the document and the officer responded the document was "nothing bad" and told him to sign the document. [redacted] indicated he would not sign this document as he was not comfortable signing a document he did not understand. [redacted] alleges the officer then threatened that if he didn't sign the document he would take him to a room and beat him. [redacted] then proceeded to sign the document as he claimed he was fearful.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland CRC

**Date of the Incident:** 11/26/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/27/14

**Summary of SIR:**

In the context of clinical session, the minor reported a man guarding the bodega where she stayed demanded the minor to do the cooking and cleaning for approximately 7 male migrants and himself, which is indicative of trafficking concerns. The minor reported she had a guide while traveling who took her to [redacted] and had her stay in a home for about one month or a little over. She was repeatedly told they could not be taken to cross yet because there "was no pass" and it was not safe. The minor stated that her guide would not stay there but "come and go". However, "his friend" who was about in his mid-30's stayed a kept watch over the group in the home. She reported that this guard them made the minor and her cousin do all the cooking and cleaning since they "were the only girls". The minor and her cousin therefore did the cooking and cleaning for the others, approximately 7 males and the guard while in the home in [redacted]. She denied that he ever threatened her specifically and was not physically harmful to her. However, she felt she should not refuse to not cause problems or possible harm.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 11/26/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/27/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 11/26/14 at 8:05 pm while at the Emergency Shelter living quarters room #7 UAC (A# [redacted] age 16, disclosed to DCW [redacted] that UAC [redacted] (A# [redacted] age 17, from his same group had allegedly exposed his genital area to him while in the room.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Estrella

**Date of the Incident:** 10/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/27/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor indicated that she had been raped by an (approx. age 18) male during the Journey. Incident occurred mid October UAC is not precisely sure of the date or location of the incident. The perpetrator was a male friend of the coyote who she traveled with. On three separate occasions, this male fondled her against her will; she managed to get away from the male on these occasions. UAC continuously expressed her anger and unwillingness to have perpetrators advances forced on her. The male was successful in raping her once. Minor was not sure exactly where she was at the time of the rape, she thinks in Mexico. Minor reported having bruises throughout her body - specifically on her upper right arm which was still visible on 11/27. Minor has indicated that she may be pregnant. Pregnancy results are not available at this time.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 11/26/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/27/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed that upon being apprehended by Border Patrol an officer put a pistol to his head, even though he did not resist. He also reports that the same officer put a pistol to his companion's neck. Minor described this man as a shorter, heavy set, Caucasian man in his late 30's or early 40's with light hair and a hat on. Minor reports that the man told them to get down, then put the gun to the head as he was doing so, the man then turned the gun on his companion for a few seconds until they were on the ground. Shortly after more officers arrived and they were both cuffed and taken away.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Combes

**Date of the Incident:** 11/23/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On November 27, 2014 during mental health screening, youth disclosed history of forced drug trafficking and threat to his life. Youth reports, on Monday November 23, 2014, three unknown trucks arrived at his house occupied with 15 unknown people. Youth stated his wife, (14yoa), was at home; however, he instructed her to remain in the house. Youth denied knowing who these individuals were; however, many of them had identical tattoos of the Santa Muerte with above. Youth reports he was approached by known cartel leader,

Youth stated he was told he was there to pick him up, as he was told by his friend\cartel member, that he wanted to work for them. Youth stated he denied wanting to work with them, as he was joking when he spoke with (Youth explained having had a prior conversation with an acquaintance of his when he jokingly stated he wanted to come to US; however did not have the funds to pay for a guide. Youth stated during this conversation, told him he could make arrangements with cartel to help him cross in exchange for crossing drugs. Youth stated he refused, as he did not want to traffic drugs and had no one to stay with in the US.) Youth stated told him they were still going to take him even if he did not want to work for them. Youth stated he was told if he did not want to go with them then he would be either beaten or killed. Youth he feared for his life so he went with these individuals. Youth stated he and five other unwilling individuals were taken to the river, where they were told they were going to take carry something into the US or they would be killed. Youth stated he knew one of the five other individuals, Youth stated he and fellow group mates were instructed they would wait until dark to cross river. Youth stated after sunset he and the others were pushed to the rivers edged and given their packages. Youth stated he knew his package contained marijuana, as he overheard a conversation among the other members and could smell the package contents. Youth stated he and his group mates were then surrounded by 15 other known armed gang members. Youth stated his group was threatened, if they refused to cross river or if they tried to return they would be shot. Youth stated his group composed of five others and a guide (also a cartel member). Youth confirmed guide was armed and was given a cell phone to receive further instructions. Youth voiced crossing the river via inflatable tire tube. Youth stated he was apprehended 10 to 15 min after crossing river. Youth denied being physically or sexually abused during this incident. Youth denied witnessing any acts of violence toward others during this time. Youth denied being forced to complete any other acts of violence, in addition to present trafficking. Youth is stable during disclosure. Youth appears to be stable as evidenced by his ability to participate in session and disclose information while demonstrating appropriate mood and affect during interview. Youth voiced feeling safe and secure within shelter. Youth denied any intention\plan\thought to run away, as he knew agency would assist him in returning to COO.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** Bethany Christian Services TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 11/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The youth reported to the caseworker that in August of this year she was raped by a local community gang member. The youth stated that her mother went to the store to buy some food while the youth was sleeping in her bed. The youth stated that after her mother left, the man came in and raped her. The youth stated that the man left and her mother found her once she returned. The man has since made threats to the youth's mother stating that if the youth stays in Honduras he will kill her. The youth and the mother decided that the best option was to have the youth move in with her sister and husband in the United States. The youth is three months pregnant from this incident.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior



**Facility:** St. PJ's Childrens Home

**Date of the Incident:** 11/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Current resident, reported this information to program staff, , on 11/28/2014 at approximately 11:00 a.m. Staff then notified Team Leader, Assistant Program Director, and Program Director, On 11/28/2014, Clinician, met with the peer to clarify reports and gather additional information. The peer stated that had told him once that staff, Ms. would touch his back to wake him up. The peer stated that told him "me toca la espalda". The peer then stated that told him that the staff, Ms. put her head on his shoulder to wake him up. The peer stated told him that this had occurred on only one occasion. Clinician then asked the peer to provide more details about his report of seeing Ms. with a "red face" and seeing rush into a bathroom stall. The peer denied making those reports and stated that he never saw anything between and Ms. z. He stated that he was verbally told this information by . Minor stated he made the report about what he had heard because he wanted to. He denied any further issues or concerns. Clinician asked the peer if he wanted to share anything else. Minor shook his head and returned to normal routine and activity.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Estrella

**Date of the Incident:** 09/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth stated that he was detained by Mexican authorities on his first and second attempts to travel to the US. Youth reported to this writer that on his second attempt to travel to the US he was detained in Mexico, by authorities, and while there forced to work on a coffee plantation in MX. Youth stated that he was detained for approximately a month and a half (approximately from 09/01/2014-10/15/2014) at this location. Youth stated that after a month and a half he was put on a bus and taken to the Mexico/ Guatemala border and there released by Mexican authorities. Youth further stated that he was paid 1000 Mexican Pesos for his labor. Youth stated that this is his third attempt during which he arrived in the US without incident.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Hacienda del Sol

**Date of the Incident:** 11/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Clinician responded to IR from YCW in regards to an allegation made by client. Clinician met with client making the allegations towards her peer. Client reported that on 11/26/2014 while they were waiting in line to go to the classroom, client touched her inappropriately on her back side. Client reported that he used his hand to "slap" her behind and then laughed about it. Client stated that she reported to YCW but no action was followed; so client waited for YCW and reported to him. Clinician interviewed client to get his side of the story, he reported that it was not him the one that accidentally touched from the back and that it was client with his pouch. Client reported that he is not sure why she is making those allegations towards him, when he reports hardly ever talking to her. Clinician then followed up with client and asked him about the incident and he reported that it was an accident and that, in fact, it was his pouch and that neither client used their hands to touch her intentionally. Clinician proceed to report findings to PD, and she directed Clinician to speak to shift leader, and review video footage. Once the video was reviewed by shift leader, APD shift supervisor, and Clinicians, and it was clear that there was no physical contact between clients. However it does appear that client pouch made contact with client's back side, confirming version of events. Video shows that client physically did not see who/what made contact with her back side. Also in the video it shows that YCW did not appear to witness the incident.

**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Selma Carson Home

**Date of the Incident:** 11/28/14

**UAC**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During details when minor was in his room with door open resident 1 was mopping hallway and as resident 1 was near minor door Resident 2 was walking past when minor in room stated, hey look at the Virgin Mary pictures. Resident 1 and 2 both stopped and turned heads toward room and it was at that moment when resident 1 and 2 stated minor pulled both his pants and underwear and expose his penis to them. Staff [redacted] was in hallway and witness resident 1 and 2 stopping in form of minor room door but minor was not visible. [redacted] stated that she saw resident 1 and 2 make a grossed out face and then say something to minor in room and walked away. At the point both resident reported to her that minor had showed them his penis. Resident 1 and 2 reported the following day to CM [redacted] that minor has exposed himself to them 2 times.

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**DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report**  
Submitted by: Mata Sebgoya/Jacqueline Melvin  
September 28 – October 4, 2014

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**Category of Significant Incident Report:**

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **2**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **8**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **10**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **1**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **3**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **1**
- Other: **0**

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**Total Number of Major SIRs: 25 ; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 461; Number of SIRs for FY14: 24,680**

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Morrison Paso Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 09/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor was seen sniffing an alcohol wipe, minor was redirected and alcohol wipes were also removed. Minor not only was redirected by staff but he was also informed of the danger and harm of sniffing alcohol wipes.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** IES Los Fresnos

**Date of the Incident:** 08/2014

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/29/2014

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported that while in Mexico, during her journey to the United States, she was raped by an unidentifiable adult male. Minor became pregnant as a result.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Bokenkamp Children's Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 06/15/2011

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/29/2014

**Summary of SIR:**

On 09/29/2014 during initial interview with case manager UAC reported that she was coerced to work for a gang, in El Salvador. UAC reported that she was required to do extortions on businesses around her area. UAC stated she was coerced to sell marijuana and crack cocaine. As a consequence, UAC began using marijuana and cocaine occasionally.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** CC Phoenix

**Date of the Incident:** 09/26/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

was seen by another UAC lying with her three old son, Foster mother reported both children where in a bedroom lying on the bed with the lights off. Both the female UAC and foster mother reported that both children were fully clothed and had been out of the family's presence for approximately three minutes.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** SWK Mesa Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 09/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 09/27/2014, at approximately 12:45 p.m., while doing arts and crafts UAC informed Youth Care Worker, that a peer told him that Youth Care Worker, had a fanny pack on her waist and a male staff allegedly lifted her fanny pack and rubbed her private area. Mr. asked if he knew who the male staff was. responded that he did not remember the staff's name. stated that Ms. allegedly did the same to a male staff; however, would not provide the male staff's name. also stated he did not remember the name of the client who told him about the alleged incident.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Hacienda Del Sol

**Date of the Incident:** 09/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 9/28/2014 clinician met with client to assess for trafficking, however, there was no interpreter available to translate, despite the scheduled appointment clinician had made on 9/25/2014. From the information gathered due to the language barrier, it appears client is suspected of being trafficked, but further assessment is needed. Client reported his sponsor, had loaned him money to travel to U.S. However, when case manager called sponsor he denied knowing who the client was. In addition, client reported that has helped several other individuals from Guatemala with loaning them money and finding them work. Client stated he was "hopped from person to person until he arrived to Mexico". While in Mexico, client stated he worked for a week in picking tomatoes. However, client stated he was not directly paid for the work he did. He stated his guide received the money. Client indicated he was paid 50 MXP for a day's work. Client stated he was told he needed to work to pay the rest of his journey to the U.S. Client stated his family's land papers were given as collateral for the loan that Martin gave him. Client reported that the money owed is 20,000 GTQ and 100 GTQ of interest each month. Client stated Martin is a family friend, but was unable to provide any information of the quality of their relationship. Because of the language barrier and limited availability of an interpreter, further assessment will be done with client.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 09/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor was knocked out unconscious by gang and gang sexually assaulted her. Due to the sexual assault minor had a premature labor. Minor made a police incident report. After, baby was released from the hospital minor went back on train to continue her journey. Once arriving to Mexico .She was held against her will and threatened if she did not give cartel money they would kill her. Minor called mom and send \$2,200 dollars for her release. Minor reports no physical or sexual harm from second incident. Due to these incidents minor is currently suffering from nightmares.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** St. PJ's Children's Home

**Date of the Incident:** 09/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/25/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Clinician created a Trafficking Addendum on 9/30/2014 based on the inconsistent statements and accounts of trip and problems identifying a viable sponsor. It is the clinician's impression that may have been at risk of exploitation based on her status as a minor and in a work/labor capacity. This concern is based upon report that her family owes a debt; the unknown motives of those who wanted to bring her to the U.S.; and that she reported that she traveled to the U.S after being promised a job by a lady in New Jersey.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Bokenkamp Children's Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 03/01/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/30/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC disclosed that in March 2013, she worked for a man and woman who sold her for sex in Honduras. UAC stated the woman she worked for locked her out of the home so the abuser could take her to his home. UAC further disclosed that the woman took money from the man that sexually assaulted her UAC stated she was held captive and repeatedly raped by the man. UAC stated the same man took photographs of her naked with his cell phone. UAC stated she was held against her will for approximately a day and upon her release, returned to the home where she was living. UAC reported she did not live with her family. UAC stated she lived with the man and woman she who sold her to men. UAC disclosed she was sexually assaulted on a separate occasion in March 2013. UAC, stated the man and woman drove her to an unknown location and exchanged money with a different man so that he could have sex with her. UAC stated she was held against her will for several hours. UAC reported the man forced her to have sex with him. UAC disclosed she worked for the woman and man for several weeks before escaping to another city in Honduras.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Campbell

**Date of the Incident:** 09/30/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/30/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The client reported to Clinician MS during MHS that her father had many outstanding debts with male individuals and would exploit his daughter by forcing her to have sexual intercourse with these individuals for payment of his debts. Client expressed that her father began prostituting the client from age 12 until she departed COO. Client reported that she made the journey to get away from her father and her current situation of abuse and exploitation.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland CRC

**Date of the Incident:** 08/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/30/14

**Summary of SIR:** Addendum

The minor stated that she was held captive by in for about 2 months during her trip. She was traveling with a group and they stayed in a home to rest before continuing on with their trip. When the group she was with left the minor was told she could not continue with them because she was sexually assaulted during her trip. They called the minor's brother in the USA and told him she was going to wait a while there because she was not feeling well due to someone "trying to violate her" and they wanted to wait until she was better. The minor states they kept her there 2 months and only let her call her brother with monitored calls and she had to say she was okay and doing fine. In that time they forced the minor to learn to drive and use weapons because they wanted her to work for them. They threatened to kill her if she did not comply and told her they would tell her brother she "got lost". On two occasions they forced her to go with another male to make trips smuggling other immigrants from Mexico City to She went by "microbus" with them and had to help drive. On each trip they took about 30 people. She was paid 2,000 pesos per person but she typically had her money taken back by them. In the first trip they were caught by the police. The minor states she was let go because they also trained her to pass off as a Mexican national. On two occasions they took her to other locations in to see where they keep other hostages captive. They expressed they wanted her to learn to kill people. She told them she was not yet ready. The minor was also going to be groomed to bring drugs on her trip but they said she needed more training. She reported the first thing they teach is "not to have fear". The minor states her brother began being suspicious of why her journey was taking so long and was calling the man in as well as the guides he knew were guiding his sister by phone from El Salvador to Mexico. He was trying to figure out why she was taking long and pressure the men to send her. One of the men told her brother "how much money can we send you to forget about your sister?" Her brother told them to send her and did not accept a price. One of the men holding her told her to continue on to cross the border and that she

was to tell her brother that she does not want to stay in the USA and wants to return. They explained he would probably get angry and ask her to repay him the money he spent on her trip. They said they would then send her the money to repay her brother and give her money to travel back. They told her if she did not return they would kill her brother and then find her and bring her back even if it took a year. They then took her themselves to cross the river.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 09/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/01/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor then disclosed that while he was looking through the books [redacted] has on her book shelf, he found a note that read "Ustedes no son mis amores, y aqui hablan much de sexo." Minor stated that he did not know what to make of the letter and that he felt weird about it so put it back in the book and did not say anything else about it. Minor stated that he does not know who could have written the note and what it was intended for. Clinician congratulated minor for reporting and stated that he would too, let the appropriate personnel know.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland Casa Guadalupe

**Date of the Incident:** 08/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/01/14

**Summary of SIR:**

A Trafficking SIR is being submitted due to coercion indicators. The minor reported that she was verbally threatened by the 50 year old owner of an apartment she was staying in while in [redacted] Texas. In addition, minor stated that while in the apartment, she was told by another man that the owner had discussed a plan to sell the women in the apartment for sex. Minor stated that a guide who had traveled with them from Honduras also accompanied them across the border into the United States. Minor stated that she was with her 29-year-old aunt and her 12-year-old cousin who is currently at the facility with minor. Minor stated that together they walked about four hours to a car and were then taken to an apartment in [redacted] Texas that was occupied by a male (approximately 50 years old) who appeared to be the owner. Minor stated that they were left there by the guide for two days and two nights. Minor stated that the guide stopped in once a day to bring food and then left. Minor stated that there were 16 women and 6 men in this apartment and they all stayed in the same room. Minor stated that while in the apartment the owner threatened them by saying "if you don't leave my apartment I'll call the police or cut you up". Minor stated that on one occasion the owner masturbated outside of their room and when one of the men tried to shut the door the owner swung knives at him so as to keep the door open. Minor stated that she, her cousin, and another minor were put in the closet of the room for protection in case the owner tried to harm them. Minor stated that on one occasion the owner spoke to a 25 year old man that was also staying in the apartment and asked him to help sell the woman for sex for \$40 dollars each. Minor stated that she did not hear the owner saying this but that the 25 year old man told the rest of the group of the plan and that he had refused to help. Minor stated that the guide who had taken them to the apartment arrived the following day with food and they informed him of the owner's plan. Minor stated that the guide moved them to another apartment that same day. Minor stated that they were put in the apartment for 17 days and told not to leave because they could be kidnapped or held for ransom by other guides if they were found. Minor stated that they were given food once a day and the women and children stayed in a room separate from the men. Minor stated that she and her aunt and cousin were let go after 17 days and were then guided by foot for a few hours before getting in a car. Minor stated that after a short time driving, the guides left them in the car and immigration officers found them and detained them shortly after. Minor stated that her father (current sponsor in the US) is aware that minor was held in these apartments during her journey because her aunt had a cell phone with her that they were able to use.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault:

**Facility:** Heartland SC1Y

**Date of the Incident:** 09/30/14

**UAC:**

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/01/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While in class on 9/30/14 the minor reported that the minor touched her inappropriately while in class. Upon follow-up, the minor stated that while in class, she touched right thigh while attempting to move out of the desk that they were sharing. The minor denied touching on any other part of her body and stated that this lasted less than 10 seconds. This writer discussed the importance of boundaries and not touching others in the program and reiterated the program rules.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Center

**Date of the Incident:** 09/30/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/01/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 09/30/14, during a counseling session, UAC reports he is doing better and is aware that it is simply a matter of time before he is released to ICE for deportation back to Mexico as he is an adult. He shares his enthusiasm about the presentation he will be giving in school on landforms of Mexico. He presents less guarded and relaxed. He speaks more openly about his experience crossing the border and the circumstances of risk/trafficking that he endured prior to his recent apprehension. He is no longer worried about the safety and wellbeing of his family because his wife and son have moved with his in-laws to another house. does not want to pursue any legal adjustment of his status by way of a T-visa and simply wishes to return to Mexico to join his family. reports he and his mother had paid \$7,000.00 to a coyote "guide" to get him across the border and to his mother's home in Texas. In late August, he says the coyote picked him up at his wife's parent's home in Mexico, to meet up with the guides that were waiting to cross the Rio Bravo. At the pick-up location, another Hispanic male, he identifies as "el gordo" the fat-one simply because of his size, not necessarily his nickname or alias, arrives and starts yelling "that there is a change of plans and everyone has to carry a suitcase of marijuana," at the immigrants waiting to cross. UAC Hernandez says one of the immigrants refused to carry the suitcase because he did not want to get in any legal trouble and simply wanted to make it to his family in the United States. This same individual also stated he did not know how to swim and was afraid. removed a pistol from his waistband and shot the immigrant in the head, killing him, and asked if anyone else wanted to refuse. UAC carried the suitcase along with the other individuals, but they were apprehended by U.S.CBP/ICE officers and he was returned to Mexico the following day. UAC returns to his in-law's home in Mexico. He reports that in early September, near the 5th or 6th, a large black SUV, drives up to the house. The UAC recognizes " inside the vehicle along with several heavily-armed men and is motioned to come over to the vehicle. tells him to gather his belongings because they are going to have him go across the border again with another suitcase of marijuana and if he refuses, his wife, son, and in-laws would be killed. UAC agrees to do so to protect his family. On 09/07/14, UAC and several other immigrants make it across the Rio Bravo carrying suitcases of marijuana using truck tire inner tubes and are subsequently apprehended by U.S. CBP/ICE officers.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Youth for Tomorrow

**Date of the Incident:** 10/01/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/01/14

**Summary of SIR:**

reported to staff that he was touched inappropriately by another on his buttock. sked staff not to say anything to the Oscar.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Senderos

**Date of the Incident:** 10/01/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/02/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth was making symbols (representing a vagina) to another youth. When addressed by [redacted] and asked to stop, youth stopped. When staff [redacted] was asking another staff what the symbol meant, youth gestured to staff [redacted] with sexualized tongue gestures.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** KidsPeace

**Date of the Incident:** 09/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/02/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

UAC discloses additional information related to potential sex trafficking. The UAC reports physical abuse by the "Senora" she worked for and having knowledge that the "Senora" employed at least 10 other underage girls. The UAC reports she had a romantic relationship with the "Senora" and she lived with her for approximately 9 months while working for her. The UAC reports fear that if she ever returned to home country this woman would hurt her.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** David and Margaret

**Date of the Incident:** 10/01/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/02/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On October 1, 2014 at approximately 7:30pm at [redacted] while waiting for Confession from resident [redacted] resident [redacted] made inappropriate sexual comments to staff [redacted] UM [redacted] tated to staff [redacted] Ms, I need to be with a women, I feel frustrated because I haven't been with a woman in a long time". While staff was redirecting resident [redacted] resident then proceeded to get an erection.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** 08/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/03/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

On October 2, 2014, our department was notified that ORR/ATIP has reviewed the information submitted for [redacted] and has determined that he is eligible as a victim of trafficking.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** IES Foster Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 10/02/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/03/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On October 2, 2014 while assigned clinician was gathering information in order to complete assessment/ISP, the teen disclosed the circumstances of her pregnancy. 15 year-old [redacted] reported that she was raped by an unknown male in Guatemala. The teen went on to say that while outside during school hours an unknown male approached her with a knife and began to make threats towards her family if she did not follow him. [redacted] informed the clinician that she believed the male had to have been following her since he was able to indicate the school her younger brother attended and the time her maternal uncle returned home from work. In fear that harm would be done to her or her family, [redacted] proceeded to follow the male into a nearby wooded area. The teen reported that once she and the male were out of sight from other people he then raped her. [redacted] mentioned that it was a one-time incident and is the result of her pregnancy. The teen reported that she believes she is approximately 7 months pregnant.



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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Selma Carson Home

**Date of the Incident:** 10/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/03/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Staff [redacted] was in staff office when resident HH stopped at office door to ask [redacted] a question. As resident [redacted] stood at door speaking with staff Resident [redacted] walked behind resident bent down out of sight and pull down resident [redacted] sweats pants. Resident [redacted] immediately bent down to pull his pants up and that is when Resident [redacted] realized that staff had witness incident.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** IES Welasco Foster

**Date of the Incident:** 10/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/03/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/02/14 [redacted] (age 15, 2 months pregnant) arrived to IES Foster Weslaco, Texas. On 10/03/14 case manager met with [redacted]. During initial intake, [redacted] disclosed to case manager that her pregnancy is a result of rape from an unknown gang member in El Salvador. As per [redacted] her family is aware of the incident and of her pregnancy

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Senderos

**Date of the Incident:** 10/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/04/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While in gym, county staff [redacted] approached me and asked me to ask [redacted] to pull up his pants. When gym was over, she told me that the youth was showing his pubic hair to everyone.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Crittenton LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 09/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Foster mother (FM) reported to Foster Care Social Worker (FCSW) that FM let [redacted] use her cell phone to make a long distance phone call to her friend. FM reported that the family was not planning to go out that day but that she noticed that [redacted] had put on make-up and fixed her hair. FM reported that when she received her cell phone back from [redacted] that there were messages on FM's cell phone from unknown adult males who were texting back and forth with [redacted]. FM reported that she posed as [redacted] and asked one of the adult males their age. According to FM, the adult male texted that he was 26 and that the adult male thought that [redacted] was 20 years old. FM reported that [redacted] had linked FM's cell phone to [redacted] Facebook page where she saw that [redacted] had posted provocative pictures of herself wearing a bikini sitting on the bathroom sink. FM also reported that she saw that [redacted] had also posted pictures of her 18 month old daughter (UAC also living in the home) and that the child was not wearing clothing on some of the pictures. FM reported that when she asked [redacted] why she posted pictures of her daughter that [redacted] replied that her "friends" wanted to see her daughter. FM reported that according to the messages on her cell phone; [redacted] had been chatting with three adult men of ages 26, 32, and 49. FM reported that she received more messages today for added friends on [redacted] Facebook page. FM also reported that [redacted] continuously tries to take FM's cell phone or the house phone to make unauthorized phone calls. FM reports that she has to wake up every fifteen minutes each night to ensure that [redacted] is not using the phone without permission. FM also reported that she believes that [redacted] may have stolen water, a soda, and a set of eyelashes from a Walmart store on the day they went to get a haircut. FM had not reported the incident at Wal-mart until now. FM reported that [redacted] had allegedly taken FM's wedding band and that they eventually found it. FM reported that [redacted] scratched FM when she snatched the cell phone from FM's hand. FM reports that she and her husband are worried that [redacted] will make false allegations against foster father in retaliation for the increased supervision. When FCSW and FC

Program Director were on the phone with (b)(6) she admitted to having been on Facebook and when asked about the pictures, (b)(6) responded that she was not aware that she could not post up pictures.

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**DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report**  
Submitted by: Mata Sebgoya/Jacqueline Melvin  
October 05 – October 11, 2014

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**Category of Significant Incident Report:**

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **2**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **8**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **9**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **1**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **2**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **6**
- Other: **4**

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**Total Number of Major SIRs: 32; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 444; Number of SIRs for FY15: 705**

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Center – Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/04/14, UAC lost a behavioral level for inappropriate sexual behavior. Minor had been touching his genital area and staring at another peer during the enrichment group session during the enrichment group session. Minor also pointed his penis at another peer and asked his peer: 'you want to suck it'. Minor is reported to have made many other inappropriate sexual behavior towards residents on the unit.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Lakeside Washington Park

**Date of the Incident:** 10/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client stated that during her journey she was taken to an empty warehouse and forced to have sex with the owner of the warehouse. Client stated she attempted to refuse, but was threatened with violence and told she would be reported to Mexican Immigration if she did not cooperate. He threatened the next day to keep her longer in the warehouse if she told anyone of the event.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Lakeside Washington Park

**Date of the Incident:** 10/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client reported that she was sexually abused by one of the smugglers that took care of the warehouse. Smuggler threatened her with violence if she did not participate.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** ST PJ

**Date of the Incident:** 10/03/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/06/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Case Manager contacted both sponsor and minor's mother to get more information about phone calls that they were receiving requesting money for the safety of minor. Sponsor informed CM that he has not received any phone calls requesting money for minor from anyone. Minor's mother says she received a phone call from the guide requesting money but that was prior to being detained and that she was not able to pay any money to them because did not have money to give.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Morrison Transitional Foster Care

**Date of the Incident:** 10/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Yeiner reported that he was only allowed to leave his room for eating and using the bathroom this weekend.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** KidsPeace

**Date of the Incident:** 10/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The UAC reports he came to the United States for a better life and to work so that he can send money back to his mothers and sisters in home country. The UAC reports his uncle works in a banana factory and his uncle talked to his boss about hiring the UAC to work in the factory and work may be available. The UAC would not elaborate on this when this clinician began asking additional questions. UAC was also traveling throughout the U.S. with other adult migrants who were transported by a guide.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 10/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC was witness kissing another UAC in the classroom. After reviewing the cameras it was confirmed that UAC's exchanged a kiss. Camera was reviewed and confirmed that UACs exchanged a kiss. ORR Lead Therapist spoke with UACs regarding appropriate boundaries. Both UACs received 8 hours R.E.S.T. time and will be on a 10 foot ban from each other. The seating arrangements were changed in the classroom, so the two residents are not sitting near each other. UACs will continue to process incident with their primary therapist.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 10/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/07/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC was witnessed kissing another UAC in the classroom. After reviewing the cameras it was confirmed that UAC's exchanged a kiss. Camera was reviewed and confirmed that UACs exchanged a kiss. ORR Lead Therapist spoke with UACs regarding appropriate boundaries. Both UACs received 8 hours R.E.S.T. time and will be on a 10 foot ban from each other. The seating arrangements were changed in the classroom, so the two residents are not sitting near each other. UACs will continue to process incident with their primary therapist.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland CRC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/07/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The minor reported information indicative of possible trafficking concerns. The minor reported to GDIT staff that he was forced to sell drugs when in home country.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Morrison Transitional Foster Care

**Date of the Incident:** 10/06/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/06/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Morrison received an email response from the Office of Adult Abuse Prevention and Investigation stating that the incident was reviewed and not considered neglect/abuse at this time and closed the referral.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Friends of Youth

**Date of the Incident:** 09/30/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/06/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor had an MP3 in his possession that contained pornographic images and videos.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Selma Carson Home

**Date of the Incident:** 06/01/12

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/01/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Resident reported he was forced to smuggle by the CDG called "The Cyclones".

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 08/10/14

**Summary of SIR:**

In the context of clinical assessment minor reported being physically assaulted by the guide, and made to work during his travel to the United States. The clinician met with minor to process the disclosure and evaluate for any additional needs.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** IES Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/07/14

**Summary of SIR:**

reported a history of abuse in her home country, while in Mexico during her journey from El Salvador to the U.S. and in the U.S. (in the U.S. by a smuggler). also reported engaging in a consensual sexual relationship with an adult male in her home country of El Salvador.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** The Children's Center Jameson Center TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/09/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor admitted to foster parent to still using marijuana at least once a week. Foster parents also found marijuana in the minor's room.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during journey

**Facility:** His House Children's Home

**Date of the Incident:** 10/07/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/08/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor was asked by her guide to lay naked next to him in case a immigration raid was to occur. Minor states that the guide did not touch her.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Rio Grande

**Date of the Incident:** 10/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/08/14

**Summary of SIR:** Youth reported that youth would make inappropriate gestures to her such as blow kisses, bite her lip, and wink her eye. This behavior occurred sporadically for about two weeks. Youth also reported that youth tends to sway her arms back and forth and during one occurrence youth, brushed her hand against youth's behind when standing in line. During another time, youth asked youth if she liked girls and she replied with "mmm" while biting her lip. Youth reported that these behaviors from youth would make her feel uncomfortable.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** Lorraine Thomas

**Date of the Incident:** Not specified

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/07/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor was raped while on the journey to the US. Minor has requested to have an abortion.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** IES Brownsville Foster

**Date of the Incident:** Late August

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/07/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor claims to be approximately 8 weeks pregnant and expecting twins. When asked about her pregnancy, mentioned that her pregnancy is a result of a sexual assault that occurred in Mexico, late August during her journey to the United States.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** IES Driscoll

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/07/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Resident disclosed being physically assaulted by several members of the "Policia Estatal Mexicana", Minor went on to report that she was handcuffed to the rods of the passenger seat's headrest while she led them to two random locations in where she hoped to somehow escape. Minor states she was hit on the back of the head and back by several officer with a closed and open hand after leading them to two random locations where they did not find any hidden firearms. Minor states one of the officers sat on top of her and placed the plastic bag over her head for approximately 20-30 seconds while threatening to kill her if she did not lead them to more firearms. Minor states the officer also placed his hand on her throat and squeezed it in order to hurt minor engaging in an inappropriate sexual relationship with an adult male, and a history of alcohol and drug use. Minor states she began to use cocaine this year and reports she last used on September 15, 2014. Minor states she also began to use "Rivotril" this year in order to get "high".

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Southwest Key Rio Grande

**Date of the Incident:** 07/10/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 01/10/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On October 7, 2014 two female minors residing under the program's care accused the above-mentioned minor of displaying inappropriate behavior toward them. Minor [redacted] and minor [redacted] accused M.M (A# [redacted]) of blowing kisses, winking, biting her lip, and "accidentally" brushing their buttocks with her hand. Assigned clinician met with minor to determine the nature of the accusations. At the time of the session, the minor denied engaging in inappropriate behavior. Clinician reminded minor of boundaries and respecting other individuals. Minor denies engaging in inappropriate behavior.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** IES Foster Welasco

**Date of the Incident:** 10/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/08/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/08/14, the assigned clinician met with [redacted] for a weekly individual session. [redacted] reported that during the weekend she woke up on morning and observed Jade naked in the room. [redacted] disclosed that on one occasion during the weekend she saw [redacted] without clothes in her room. [redacted] reported that [redacted] was standing near the dresser. [redacted] stated that she walked out of the room and asked [redacted] to put her clothes on. [redacted] reported that Jade was receptive and dressed herself. The clinician met with Jade to further assess the situation. [redacted] denied being without clothes in her room while another child was present. The assigned clinician reviewed with [redacted] the program rules and provided her with information about healthy boundaries. The clinician reviewed with the child the "Good & Bad Touch" activity workbook. The child has not made an outcry of abuse and or neglect.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff

**Facility:** Southwest Key Conroe

**Date of the Incident:** 10/02/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/02/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Ms. [redacted] stated that Ms. [redacted] was yelling at client [redacted] "a mi no me interesa lo que usted piens o diga, aqui son las reglas y usted debe hacer lo que uno dice". Ms. [redacted] stated that the tone of voice Ms. [redacted] used was harsh towards the clients. [redacted] stated that Ms. [redacted] refused to exchange the underwear of client [redacted] as the client reported the underwear was too big for her but according to Ms. [redacted] the underwear fit her right after Ms. [redacted] hold the underwear to client's hip area. Ms. [redacted] reported that she didn't say anything to Ms. [redacted] at the time of the incident because she didn't want to be seen as she was taking authority away from staff in front of the clients.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected smuggling/trafficking

**Facility:** Southwest Key Programs Combes

**Date of the Incident:** 05/1/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/29/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Clarification for trafficking concerns -On September 29, 2014, during an interview assessment with youth, youth disclosed Information regarding history of gang persecution and verbal\emotional abuse by [redacted] Youth reported fleeing home country due to gang persecution (by [redacted] Youth also reported 3 separate incidents of being approached by [redacted] and asked to traffic drugs Youth reported incident occurred on 3-4 months ago.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Nova

**Date of the Incident:** 10/10/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/10/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Failure to comply and inappropriate sexual comment. During art class, UAC made an inappropriate sexual comment to ORR Program Aide. UAC was escorted to his room with 24 hrs of room confinement.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** IES Foster Welasco

**Date of the Incident:** 10/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/08/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/08/2014, case manager received 3 notice of concerns from child care worker [redacted] stating that (age 16) had told UAC's [redacted] that she was not comfortable at her current foster home because her foster parent would limit the food in the foster home and that she would get upset if she asked her for more food. There were also allegations of rationing toilet paper, not being allowed to get up at night from her bedroom, and three foster children were sharing one bath towel.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Southwest Casa Houston

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 09/29/14

**Summary of SIR Addendum:**

Minor reported being sexually assaulted while being held captive during her journey in Mission, TX. State wide intakes report: Reference [redacted]. Additionally, ATIP responded to clinician's report, stating that minor does not qualify for benefits and services as a victim of trafficking.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICC-Beverly

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/11/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the initial clinical assessment, minor reported he wanted to live with a family friend named [redacted]. Minor stated his father [redacted] is friends with [redacted] father, [redacted]. Minor stated he has never met [redacted]. Minor stated, he originally owed [redacted] 5,000 quetzals for his journey to the US, and was planning to pay [redacted] the money he owed [redacted]. Minor reported because he was apprehended by US immigration officers, his debt was reduced to 3500 quetzals. Minor also reported to the clinician he currently owes the 3500 quetzals to a different man in his community and no longer owes the money to [redacted]. Minor told the clinician, he did not know the name of the man he owes the money. However, minor told his family reunification worker [redacted], he owed the remaining 3500 to his potential sponsor, [redacted]. Minor reported to the clinician, he was responsible for paying his debt within the year. Minor also stated when he begins living with [redacted] he would be responsible for any cost he incurs, such as food and clothing.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff

**Facility:** Selma Carson Home

**Date of the Incident:** 10/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/05/14

**Summary of SIR (2):**

Resident [redacted] was refusing to leave social area for his room got into a verbal altercation with staff [redacted]. Minor alleges staff [redacted] used physical force such pushing minor down on chair and then once minor was at door of his room staff pushed minor into room with force and shut door. [redacted] alleges that Minor alleges staff [redacted] hit him on his ribs on right side of torso then grabbed minor's shirt on right side and pushed him in his room. Minor stated he felt staff scratch his chest when he was grabbed by the shirt.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICC-Beverly

**Date of the Incident:** Unknown

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/11/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor stated he then got in touch with a man named [redacted] who agreed to sponsor the minor and pay for his trip to the US. Minor stated he agreed to pay [redacted] 47,000 quetzals for his journey to the US. Minor stated he signed a paper agreeing to pay [redacted] the money within one year. Minor said if he did not pay [redacted] there would be consequences for the minor's mother, who is living in Guatemala. Minor explained, [redacted] agreed to help the minor obtain a job working as a gardener. Minor stated he is to start this job upon his release from the program, in order to start repaying his debt.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICC-Beverly

**Date of the Incident:** 10/3/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/11/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the minor's initial clinical assessment, he reported working as a guide on one occasion and felt forced to act as a guide. Minor stated he was approached on October 3, 2014 by a car while sitting in the plaza of his town in Mexico. Minor reported he believed the men in the car were gang members, but he was unsure what gang they may have been affiliated. Minor was asked if he wanted to help cross people into the United States. Minor was offered 30 dollars per person to cross a group of four into the United States. Minor stated when he was approached; he noticed the men were armed with guns. Minor denied being verbally threatened, but stated he did not believe he could refuse the offer without negative repercussions. Minor agreed to act as a guide and got into the car. Minor reported one of the men told the minor "you look scared". Minor then told the men he was afraid and did not believe he could refuse the job offer. Minor stated the men in the car told him he didn't have to work for them, but he would be hit four times with a wooden bat if he decided not to complete the trip. Minor stated he decided to follow through and work as a guide, in order to avoid any physical violence. Minor was driven to his house by the men in order to change clothes, minor stated the men waited outside his house as he got ready. Minor stated he told his grandmother he was going out to run errands, but did not tell her about the men or his plans to work as a guide. Minor left his house on 10/03/2014 at 5pm and was driven to an area he did not know well. Minor arrived to the house at 8:30 pm. At 10:45 pm the four immigrants were brought to him by another man associated with the men in the car. Minor started walking with his group and crossed into the United States (Rio Bravo) and when they crossed the border into the US, the group began to run because they saw a truck approaching. Minor states the group tried to enter an abandoned house, but could not get in at which point he was apprehended by US immigration officers. Minor entered ICCB on 10/7/2014. Minor denied being asked to bring drugs or other items into the US and only traveled across the border with the immigrants.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICRC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/3/14

**UAC:**

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**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/11/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

This addendum is to provide information reported by the minor expressing additional trafficking indicators and coercion. He was made to watch as several of his friends were killed by the Cartel and to kill 3 people. The minor is very responsive to staff at program. He's being referred to psychiatry for additional assessment and supports.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Jacqueline Melvin

October 12 – October 18, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **8**
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- Possession/Use of Drugs: **0**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **2**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **5**
- Other: **3**

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**Total Number of Major SIRs: 44; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 424; Number of SIRs for FY15: 1129**

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 10/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/11/2014 at 10:14am, Case Manager [redacted] was approached by Shift Supervisor [redacted] regarding information documented by a direct care worker. During the initial call, minor [redacted] (A# [redacted]) was said to have spoken to his mother who advised him that she received a phone call asking for monies to be paid for minor's return. Case Manager [redacted] agreed to follow up immediately. On 10/11/14 at approximately 3:41 PM, contact was finally made with sponsor, Ms. [redacted] mother of UAC [redacted] reports that on 10/06/14 around noon, she received a phone call to her cell phone [redacted] from an unidentified male requesting fee in exchange for the minor [redacted] Sponsor requested to speak to her son however; the unidentified male declined and demanded \$3,500 in exchange for minor. Once Ms. [redacted] explained she needed more time, unidentified male instructed her to call [redacted] for further instructions. The unidentified male threaten with minor's life by stating "Me paga por el chamaco o lo mato" meaning "either you pay the money or I kill the kid." [redacted] explained she attempted to call unidentified male the following day (10/7/14) for further instructions however, no one answered the call.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** IES Los Fresnos

**Date of the Incident:** 10/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On October 12, 2014 Child Care Staff [redacted] reported, resident [redacted] disclosed she been touched on the buttocks area by fellow female resident [redacted] (who has been discharged from the facility 10/12/14 at 1:06PM) yesterday. [redacted] stated she chose to disclose the incident due to the fact that the resident [redacted] misunderstood a conversation and thought that [redacted] stated it was [redacted] who had touched her. According to [redacted] residents [redacted] and [redacted] were joking about touching each other's buttocks on the previous Saturday night 10/11/14. Leiva then stated that during the night of 10/11/14 [redacted] touched her [redacted] in the buttocks area, which [redacted] states that she did not like and does not joke with anyone in this manner.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Tumbleweed

**Date of the Incident:** 09/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/13/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

was caught watching pornographic videos while using the computer in the living room. accessed the video through the website, youtube on 9/29/2014. On 10/13/14, Case Manager and Clinician met with client and discussed appropriate behavior when using the computers Client seems to be needed of educated on appropriate behaviors and was hesitate to admit watching inappropriate websites. Client admitted being on a website with adult content and seemed embarrassed.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland CRC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the course of a clinical session minor's peer, (17), reported that minor, (15), grabbed her inappropriately. eported that they were working on decorating the bedroom door when accidentally touched her breast and apologized. stated that then grabbed left breast on purpose with force saying "mejor te lo agarro"/I'll just grab it better. stated she felt uncomfortable and went to her bed to lie down and get away from

The minor stated she typically gets along okay with but did not want to say anything to her because she is afraid of her reaction because she sees "has an attitude". and are not roommates. Clinician followed up with who denied the event occurred the way KYCR reported it. stated she accidentally touched breast one day when they were outside for gym and that she apologized. denied ever grabbing with force or intent.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** KidsHaven

**Date of the Incident:** 10/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/13/14, at approximately 2:30 p.m., Assistant Director eceived a Grievance from In his grievance the UAC alleges that YCW yelled at him and became angry to the point that the UAC felt that the staff member wanted to strike him with his fist. The UAC reports that another staff member, YCW had to intervene to prevent YCW from striking the UAC. The UAC further alleges that YCW tried to escalate him to provoke him into becoming aggressive. The UAC further alleges that YCW Tineo threatened that he would report that the UAC, in collaboration with UAC , had cursed at the YCW n 10/13/14, at approximately 3:25 p.m., Assistant Director met with about his grievance. Assistant Director asked that the UAC inform AD of what happened on 10/11/14 between him and YCW informed AD that he and three other clients were taken to the Fun Zone at the Captain Wiley Building to shoot pool. reported that YCW's and were also in attendance. admitted that, while playing, he and his peers were using inappropriate language. However, the client asserts that the language was not directed to the KidsHaven staff and was not exhibited in an effort to be defiant. went on to say that he and his peers were transported by staff to the facility gym after they had completed their recreational activity at the Fun Zone. reported that he and his peers informed the staff of their interest to play Soccer but that YCW informed them that he was in charge and they would be playing Volleyball instead. went on to say that he and client began to goof around by tossing balls around the gym and pushing each other on a cart they found in the gymnasium. reports that YCW became very irate with the UAC's and began to yell at them aggressively as he paced back and forth and shoved his hands in his pocket. eports that YCW suddenly pulled his hands out of his pocket and continued to yell, as he paced around with clenched fists by his hips. reports that he and immediately felt threatened by YCW verbal abuse and clenched fists at his waists. As a result, and began to question YCW

about his motives and informed him that they would be filing a grievance against him. In response, YCW allegedly informed the youth that he would be reporting them for their use of profanity and would tell the Administrative team that the UAC's had cursed and threatened him. reports that YCW was in an escalated state at this point in the conversation, warranting YCW to intervene and asked YCW to go for a walk so that he can calm down.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** NOVA Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC was making inappropriate gestures towards staff. UAC was observed blowing kisses to a female staff. He was escorted to his room with 24hrs. of room confinement.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Cayuga Centers

**Date of the Incident:** 10/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Foster parent advised program that while on her way to her vehicle with UAC and his sibling they witnessed a shooting. She confirmed that she saw along with when the individual took out the firearm and began shooting. She explained that as soon as she heard the shooting she took cover with both UAC's and called the police as soon as she had the opportunity to do so. FP onfirmed that incident occurred two blocks away from her home currently located at: On 10/14/14 Clinician, met with UAC at approximately 11:50am to assess for any trauma and/or nervousness regarding the shooting he was witness too earlier in the morning. LCSW Director of Clinical Services joined session for a few minutes to asses UAC. UAC reported that he saw a man take out a firearm and heard about 4-8 gunshots. UAC denied feeling nervous or afraid however, he verbalized feeling slightly nervous regarding walking in the same street again.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Selma Carson Home

**Date of the Incident:** 6/1/11

**UAC:**

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**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor was assessed again for any trafficking concerns, minor disclosed that he sold drugs, he was a "puntero" for 2 months during 2011, working from 12pm - 12am earning 1500 pesos a week. Minor shared that when he didn't want to work as a puntero, cartel threatened him by saying: "If you don't come we will force you to be with us". Minor stated he moved out of his mother's home and started living in a friend's home and changing places every week for 4 months. Minor reported cartel stopped looking for him.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Southwest Key Las Palmas

**Date of the Incident:** 10/1/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/14/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

During the client's the client reported that while in her journey she stayed in a hotel when a got into her room and "made her a woman". Client cannot recall his name, his face or who that man is. Client reported that she cannot recall anything about this experience. Client reported that she does not remember place and time where the event happened. Client was having difficulties to remember in regards of her journey experience. During the interview client was indifferent when having to answer questions about passed physical abuse and sexual relationship with a man.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Hacienda Del Sol

**Date of the Incident:** 10/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client approached a male shift leader and made a sexual gesture towards him simulating oral sex with a hot dog wiener during lunch time. Shift leader immediately instructed client to stop and completed an incident report

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 10/14/14

**UAC:** Axel Oved Cerrato Pineda A#206424203

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reports being introduced to prostitution by his female friend and prostituted himself for eleven months under the name of [redacted]. During this time, he reports selling six to seven bags of cocaine daily which cost approximately 120 lempiras or \$35 USD. Minor reports he would earn up to 3,000 lempiras prostituting and would have to pay an additional \$500 lempiras to the [redacted] for "rent".

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** KidsPeace

**Date of the Incident:** 10/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

This clinician met with [redacted] for an individual session. [redacted] began to stare at this writer and started to touch his genitals. When this clinician mentioned to him that this behavior was inappropriate he immediately denied the behavior but then apologized. He proceeded to stand up and say "I have to go." When he left the room he stated "I am going to the bathroom and was laughing about it."

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Holy Family Institute

**Date of the Incident:** 10/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Students were preparing to transition from the school to the house. [redacted] refused to leave the classroom and transition to the house with the YCWs present. She repeatedly stated that she "did not want to go back to the house." One of the teachers [redacted] collected her personal belongings (her book bag, jacket, and water bottle) and waited by the door of the classroom for her. The other two teachers [redacted] Teacher, and [redacted] Educational Coordinator) were in the classroom with [redacted] was lying on the floor in a bean bag. The teachers tried to re-direct her by singing rhyming songs and then gave her a count down from 5 to 0. When one of the teachers [redacted] got to 0, [redacted] put one of her hands out and motioned for the teacher to help her up from off the ground. [redacted] gently took her hand and helped her up off the bean bag while signing a rhyming song. Then, [redacted] walked her out the door hand-in-hand and passed her off to the YCW who was waiting for her. [redacted] walked out the door appropriately, but the teachers later learned she ran from the YCW back to the house. After arriving from school on 10/13/14, [redacted] was upset and crying. She went upstairs into her room and got into her tent. Shift Supervisor [redacted] followed her and asked her why she was upset. Sindi shared that she was lying on the floor not wanting to leave the trailer at the end of the school day, and one of the teachers pulled her up off the floor. She couldn't remember the teacher's name; she could only describe her as "the tallest teacher." She shared that when the teacher pulled her up, it hurt her hands. In follow-up call to Allegheny County Children Youth and Families, [redacted] of CYF indicated that CYF decided not to assign this case to anyone for investigation and that the case was closed. [redacted] indicated that it was okay to put teacher back into classroom. [redacted] will return to the classroom on Monday morning.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland ICC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Tender age participants were playing soccer with a balloon in their room, when staff heard a fall. Upon checking on them, he found was lying on the floor with his legs spread apart, holding his shorts and underwear down below his genitals. was laughing until he noticed staff in the doorway, at which point he pulled up his pants. were standing next to him, still playing soccer with the balloon.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 10/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reports that in March of 2013 the he left his mother's home in MX and went to live with his father in a different area of In April of 2013 while living with his father he met some people who that saw that he was poor and had ill-fitting, ragged clothes and gave him some nicer clothes. He reports that they began to talk to him about a job and asked him, "Don't you want to see yourself like this and always have nice things." He reported that in this manner they recruited him to a group to work with the as a lookout. Minor reported that in February of 2014 he decided that he wanted to leave the cartel because police had photos of him and knew who he was. The previous commandante had been killed in August 2013, and the new comandante was someone that he had relationship with and gave him permission to leave. He stated that he then left to go live with his family. Minor reported that during this time working for the cartel that he was paid as promised between 300-650\$ per week and that as a look-out he was paid extra if he did not sleep. About a month later (March 2014) another "central" named who was part of the same group began to threaten his life via Facebook because he had left the cartel. He reported that this person told him "Te voy a entrar en el tambo." (I am going to put you in the barrel) He reports that this refers to the way that the cartel disposes of bodies. He also reports that this person came to his father's house to find him. Minor reports that in May of 2014 after a few months of being threatened and feeling scared he decided to start working with another group of the same cartel as a foot guide because he felt he needed protection and he knew that if he worked for this group that they would protect him from the people who sought to harm him. Minor reports that while living as a foot guide he lived in a "bodega" (house owned by the cartel where immigrants waited to cross the border). He reported after a few attempted journeys across the border the realized that the job was very difficult and did not want to continue to work. He stated that at that time (July 2014) he told members of this group that he no longer wanted to work and reported that they told him that if he wanted to leave that he would be taken to the commandante. When minor stated that he did want to go to the commandante to ask for permission that they told him to get him in the truck with them and told him that going to the commandante meant that he was going to be killed. They drove him around the block and then took him back to the bodega and threatened to kill him and beat him with a board. He stated that from that point on that he was "locked up" against his will and was not allowed to leave the bodega. They continued to force him to work as a foot guide. Minor reports that while working as a foot guide that he was supposed to be paid \$80 per person that he crossed, but denies that he ever successfully crossed any person over the border

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** St PJ's Childrens Home

**Date of the Incident:** 10/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Angel shares bedroom #5 with the At 10:45pm, was observed by staff to go to the bathroom and then return to his bedroom and assigned bed. At 11:00pm, a bed check was completed and all UAC were accounted for in their bedrooms. Immediately following the bed check, staff started to complete chores in the kitchen. Staff immediately proceeded to bedroom #5 after hearing noises and met walking out the bedroom door. He stated that had

gotten on top of him (while he slept on the top bunk) and made sexual movements. He added that [redacted] had ejaculated on him. [redacted] then pulled down his front shorts and boxers to show staff what he called "mecos". Staff asked [redacted] to pick up his shorts. Staff immediately turned on the bedroom light to see [redacted] lying in his bed with his eyes closed. Staff asked [redacted] what happened to which he opened his eyes and replied, "Nothing happened". Team Leader was notified and immediately arrived to assist. [redacted] was placed in line-of-sight and then moved to a different house to keep the UAC separated. [redacted] stated to the Team Leader, "his shorts and boxers were down...I saw his thing". **Addendum:** [redacted] mother was notified about incident. [redacted] received a Sexual Assault Nurse Examination at Children's Hospital of San Antonio. SAPD and TDFPS Child Abuse Hotline were notified. **Addendum:** TDFPS Licensing Investigator, [redacted] initiated a Minimum Standard violation investigation for Neglectful Supervision as a result of "child to child sexualized behavior". The licensing representative conducted an inspection of the shelter, interviewed both minors involved and spoke with staff that was present at the time, and documentation was provided to include Serious Incident Reports, Individual Service Plans, and UAC Assessments. [redacted] made plans to return on 10/20/2014 to interview additional children and staff as collateral witnesses. At this time, no concerns or issues were noted.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 10/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During a weekly meeting with Case Manager along with Lead Case Managers, minor [redacted] disclosed that he was involved with the [redacted] in Honduras. Youth stated that he was involved in this gang activity for approximately 4 years. Youth stated that he felt obligated by gang members to do so, due to gang members threatening that they would cut his younger sister's head.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** Seton Home

**Date of the Incident:** 10/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Resident disclosed during initial clinical assessment on 10-15-2014 that she is currently 4 months pregnant. The pregnancy was not the result of a consensual relationship. The resident disclosed that she was sexually assaulted on home country (Honduras) around June 2014. The resident reported that the perpetrator was a known member of a local gang. Following the attack the resident was threatened on several occasions by the perpetrator, demanding that she have an abortion and demanding that she sell drugs in her school and neighborhood. The resident did not report the assault to the authorities or her family and did not seek medical attention.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Morrison TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/14/14 during a school activity [redacted] grabbed at the arms and hands of another minor to stop the minor from taking his marker. YCW [redacted] came over to intervene. YCW [redacted] reported observing LEAP Teacher [redacted] put her hands on the hood of [redacted] sweatshirt and pulled directly back in response to his actions of grabbing the other minor's arm. YCW [redacted] reported that [redacted] immediately stopped his actions and looked up at LEAP Teacher [redacted]. On 10/15/14 [redacted] alleged that his teacher [redacted] had pinched him. His teacher [redacted] explained that when entering the car for an outing into the community [redacted] had tried three times to open the door. He was explained that the teacher would open the door. She stated that when she opened that door he told the teacher that she pinched him [redacted] expressed that the Skills Trainer [redacted] was there when the incident occurred. Morrison Division Director [redacted] contacted Oregon CPS on 10/15/14 at 11:57 AM to report the incident. [redacted] reported that she spoke to Oregon CPS worker [redacted] who in turn consulted with Office of Adult Abuse Prevention and Investigation worker Todd Cooley, and stated that the incident did not rise to the level of investigation at this time.



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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** Lorraine Thomas

**Date of the Incident:** 10/07/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Termination of pregnancy completed on 10/14/2014. Pregnancy was a result of rape during journey, which was previously reported on 8/27/14.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Nueva Esperanza Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On Thursday 10/16/2014 approximately at 11:46AM UAC reported to CM that about 8 months ago, while attempting to travel to visit a maternal aunt in North Carolina he was recruited by the cartel, he was the last person to be delivered from his group by the smugglers in MX. was told that he was going to be taught how to cross immigrants and as he progressed he would get paid more. Minor stated that his plan was to cross with the first group and flee to North Carolina. His first attempt to run away failed because the "lifter/pusher" would notify the cartel people via radio. stated that by the time he would cross back to the people he was working for were already expecting him at the bridge to take him back to the warehouse. Minor also reported to Case Manager that in other several occasions he attempted to run away from the warehouse by telling his boss that he needed to go to downtown in to buy clothes, but he was never sent alone. About 4 months ago approximately, after had just gotten paid he attempted to buy a bus ticket to at the bus station in However, the "estacas" from the cartel found him and took him to the boss because he was attempting to run away. UAC claims he was hit in the buttocks one time as a punishment for escaping. When case manager inquired with UAC about physical abuse, reported that he was never hit or physically abused other than the time he tried to escape. Minor reported being "stuck" with the cartel without being able to run away.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Brazoria County Youth Homes

**Date of the Incident:** 10/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Per documentation received today from staff, it was reported that UAC was sitting on the couch with both YDW (staff), when UAC sat down beside staff and UAC stated "ella queria que staff le diera Chichi". UAC then proceed to try to touch her breast, when staff redirected her she stop. Another YDW (staff) was sitting on the other side when UAC proceeded to tell her the same thing, "ella queria Chichi". YDW (staff) redirected her and UAC stop right away. Per UAC, she reported she doesn't remember doing anything wrong.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland ICCB

**Date of the Incident:** 10/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC reported that members of the asked him to transport 1,000 dollars from one neighborhood to another neighborhood. UAC reported he agreed to transport the money because he was afraid to say no. UAC reported that if he did not follow their request, they had threatened to physically assault him. UAC reported that he was approached again in June of 2014 and was asked to transport a package of cocaine and marijuana. UAC stated that he was told if he did not transport the package he would be physically assault by the members if they saw him in the market. UAC stated that he agreed to transport the drugs in a backpack by bus to the same location he had previously transported the 1,000 dollars to. UAC stated that a couple months later in August of 2014 he was asked by the gang members to transport a gun a few blocks away. UAC reported he was threatened again by the members, if he did not transport the gun they

would physically assault him. UAC reported he agreed to transport the weapon, even though he knew it was illegal, because he was afraid of the [redacted] members. UAC reported that in September of 2014 he was asked to transport another gun, but this time he told the [redacted] members he did not want to help them anymore. UAC stated that he was told to meet the gang members the next day. UAC stated he arrived to the meeting and that there were approximately seven to eight members waiting for him and they proceeded to physically assault him.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Southwest Key Rio Grande

**Date of the Incident:** 10/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth was also sexually assaulted in Guatemala from one of the male guides during her journey to the United States. Youth stated that she believes the guide was about 30 years old. During youth's journey to the U.S. she stayed at a hotel with some of the guides and other people traveling to the U.S. Youth reported she went to get her clothes from the Laundromat located in the hotel. Youth reported her clothes were missing and youth stated one of the guides was standing there with her clothes in his hand. He walked with youth back to her hotel room and had her take of the garment she was wearing. The guide told her he would put cream on the mosquito bites she had on her legs. The guide touched her inappropriately all over her body and then tried to rape her. Youth reported she refused to do anything with him. As per youth, she stated that the guide told her that if she was to have sex with him he would allow her to continue the journey and if she did not she would stay there in Guatemala. Youth continued to say no and the guide left the room. Youth did not see the guide again and he did not continue on the journey with her to Mexico. Youth spoke with another guide in charge and a lady that was in charge of guiding them to Mexico and they allowed her to continue the journey.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland CRC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the course of a clinical session with minor she did not report trafficking indicators such as coercion, deception or threats, but given the circumstances of working for unknown persons throughout several places and living without family and SIR was submitted to ATIP as a precaution. Clinician met with minor on 10/15/14 to follow up on reports minor made to her FR Specialist that are indicative of possible trafficking. The minor stated that when she first came to the USA in February or March 2014 she lived with her father in Houston. After a month she moved in with her brother, [redacted]. While there she worked in a restaurant for 1-2 weeks at the cashier counter. She was paid \$600 a month working Monday through Saturday. She stopped working there because her father and brother did not want her to work. She lived with her brother one month before running away around May to North Dakota. She stated a female friend from Houston helped her find a ride from unknown people. The minor paid \$500 to be taken to North Dakota. The minor stated she went there because her maternal cousin, [redacted] (approximately 22 or 23) told her they paid more money there. In North Dakota her cousin got her a job where he worked. The minor worked for a clothing company in a warehouse or "bodega" placing price tickets on the merchandise. She was paid \$1,500 every 2 weeks and worked Monday through Saturday 8am- 4pm. The minor stated that while working here she lived in a house with her bosses. Livings in the home were her 3 male bosses all aged 30-32. The minor stated she could not recall their names but that they were from Utah, were American and spoke little Spanish. Also in the home were her 20 year old female friend [redacted] female cousin, [redacted] (22) and 2 other unknown females who were about 22 and also from Latin American countries. The minor stated her bosses did not charge her rent and that the bosses paid for the house and all the bills. Each person had their own room. She did not have any money taken away. Her work was about 2 minutes away by car. Her male cousin would usually drive by to pick them up for work or the bosses lent them the car. Her cousin lived in another home. The minor reported she was working because she had a 13,000 Quetzales debt from her journey and she has paid it down to 4,000. The minor stated she was not forced to work or do other tasks against her will.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 10/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On October 15, 2014 at 4:55 pm, arriving at Bravo dorm 2nd floor from recreation, minors from room 17 and 18 entered their rooms. Direct Care, [redacted] was checking on room 17 and then walked towards room 18 when she noticed a minor standing outside of room 18 trying to enter the bedroom but the door was closed and could not get in. Direct Care [redacted] immediately tried to open the door and redirected whoever was on the other side to open the door. After hearing laughter inside the room, she once again attempted to open the door, redirected the minors to open it and notified Shift Leader, [redacted]. Seconds before Shift Leader [redacted] arrived, the door was opened. The minors were inside the room with the door closed for approximately 20 seconds. When the door opened, staff witnessed client [redacted] lying down on his bed, fully clothed and reported having a headache. [redacted] had been holding the door. [redacted] was seen sitting on the floor next to the window across the room. Minors were taken downstairs to process the incident and reiterated that doors are not to be closed due to safety issues and the need to follow directives from staff. All three minors were placed on increased supervision and were separated into different rooms. Several minutes after returning from talking to Shift Lead and Supervisor, minor [redacted] was speaking to another peer of which Direct Care overheard [redacted] state, "nos van hacer un reporte por que aquel se estaba jalando" which can mean, "we are getting an incident report because that guy was masturbating". Again, minors were redirected and separated and Shift Lead [redacted] was notified. Minor [redacted] spoke to Shift Lead and supervisor [redacted] and stated he was joking with his peer because that's how he jokes with him. (Peer had been inquiring why the three clients had to speak to staff). Minor explained that "jalando" meant his peer was horse playing. [redacted] stated his peer was not masturbating. The house rules were explained to the minor and that those types of comments (sexualized) were taken very seriously. Minors were separated into different rooms to avoid any future incidents of this manner.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Children's Village Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 10/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor is a foot guide who arrived to the Children's Village on 10/12/14; Minor has one prior apprehension and was granted a voluntary return. Minor works for [redacted]. As per minor's report, the main reason he came to the US was because he was going to get paid \$200 dollars for helping the lead foot guide. Minor also reported that he was forced to come to be a foot guide; he said he was told to do so by a man that was holding two big guns on each side and a small gun pointing at him to go with the older foot guide who Minor identified as being around 20 years-old and/or early 30.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** CC Fort Worth LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The client, [redacted] biological mother, [redacted] contacted Case Manager, [redacted] stating that [redacted] informed her that she was sneaking out of her foster home through her bedroom window at night in order to have sexual contact with alleged perpetrator, [redacted] is a twenty three year old male that [redacted] lived with in Mexico as a child; however currently lives in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex. The foster parents were immediately notified and foster parent, [redacted] spoke with [redacted] about the allegations. [redacted] confirmed that she been sneaking out of the home and confirmed that she had engaged in sexual activity. This has been occurring for approximately the past three weeks. The last known incident occurred on 10/12/14 in which [redacted] and [redacted] drove to [redacted] home at night without the foster parent's knowledge.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** NOVA Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

At the above date and time, two female staff members were in the back hallway of Unit 4, reviewing individual UAC's hygiene products. UAC [redacted] shouted from his room "te ves buena!" (You look good), to one of the female staff members. The staff member approached UAC [redacted] room and asked him to repeat what he had said. UAC [redacted] repeated, "te ves buena." The female staff then informed UAC [redacted] that his comments were inappropriate and would not be tolerated. As the female staff members began to exit the hallway, UAC [redacted] repeated his comment "te ves buena!"

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Southwest Key El Cajon

**Date of the Incident:** 10/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

CM [redacted] received a phone call from [redacted] who stated that he went on to the Facebook of minor in care which is how he was able to obtain information that CM, [redacted] had sent to minor's mother stating that he was in our care and to contact us via telephone. CM, [redacted] then asked [redacted] how he knew minor. [redacted] stated that minor was residing with him in Mexico since January 2014. [redacted] stated that client was living with him and that one day he informed [redacted] he was going out to the cyber café and never came back. Minor stated that he has never met in person [redacted] but that he knows him through Facebook. On 10-12-2014 while this writer was revising minor's FB to see if minor's mother answer my message, I noticed that somebody sent a message from minor's Facebook account contacting minor's family saying "Tio llameme a este numero -----" This writer knows that the minor did not have access to Facebook but asked him anyways. Minor stated that he did not open his account but he confessed that somebody else has his password and that this account was link to other [redacted] email address.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Southwest Key Rio Grande

**Date of the Incident:** 10/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/16/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

During some part during the journey the youth informed the guide that she wanted to stay in Mexico and not travel to the United States. When the guide sexually assaulted youth, he told her to engage in sexual relations with him for exchange that he would let her stay in Mexico. After several refusals to have sexual relations with the guide, youth reported the guide left the hotel room. The next morning the guide called her adoptive brother living in the U.S. and passed the phone to the youth. The guide put his finger to his mouth as a gesture to keep quiet about the sexual assault. Youth's adoptive brother told youth on the telephone that she could not stay in Mexico and should return to El Salvador because he was afraid she would not follow his orders and stay in Mexico. Youth assumes that the guide informed her adoptive brother about her plans to stay in Mexico as she did not tell him. Youth did not hear the conversation her adoptive brother had with the guide. After the phone call with youth's adoptive brother, the guide did not want her to continue her journey, however, youth reported another guide in charge allowed her to continue on to Mexico. Based on youth's responses above, youth does present concerns of exploitation or possible trafficking.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Youth For Tomorrow

**Date of the Incident:** 10/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported that after crossing the river he was told by his guides who were a part of [redacted] that he needed to carry a backpack that contained packages of cocaine. Minor told his guides that he did not want to carry the backpack. He was told that if he did not carry the backpack they would leave him by himself in the dessert and he would have to find his own way. Minor was one of six individuals carrying the backpack and was told to walk in the front of the group with the guides. Minor was instructed when they were being apprehended to throw the backpack to the right side of the street and then he was run and hide in another area away from the backpack.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** IES Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 10/07/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/17/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

On 10/15/14, Deputy [redacted] (cellular number [redacted] from the Brooks County Sheriff's Office arrived at the IES Shelter to interview [redacted] for the sexual abuse the minor experienced in the U.S. (please refer to SIR completed on 10/08/14). Deputy [redacted] informed clinician [redacted] that the subsequent interview with the minor was to obtain information to file a formal report for the minor

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneuax

**Date of the Incident:** 10/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/15/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the interview with the clinician, [redacted] disclosed information about gang members in his home town of San Miguel, El Salvador who were threatening him to sell marijuana. [redacted] reported that in August of 2014 he was told by the members of [redacted] to sell marijuana for them while attending school in San Miguel, and if he refused to comply they were going to beat him up. He reported that he was not ever injured and that he informed his parents of the threats and they formed an immediate plan to send him to live with his paternal aunt in Miami, Florida.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** IES Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 10/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

[redacted] reported that she was sexually abuse by an unknown man in home country [redacted] disclosed that her current pregnancy is the result of the abused. As per [redacted] he is about five months pregnant.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Crittenton Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 10/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On the above date and time, while waiting at LAX for her flight, Client [redacted] reported to me (Transporter [redacted] the following: while she had been at her previous facility (Southwest Key-Ventura County), she and her female peers were woken up early in the morning by staff and taken outside to be "wetted". Client communicated that she and peers were fully dressed when they were "wetted". I asked [redacted] why this occurred and she said that staff explained it as a normal "activity."

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** IES Brownsville Foster

**Date of the Incident:** 10/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Foster parent expressed [redacted] does not always tell the truth about certain things. Foster parent gave case manager an example that happened earlier this week. Foster parent stated [redacted] was playing with the mat on the floor in the living room. Foster parent observed her husband touch [redacted] on the top of his head and asked him not to play with the mat because the female resident [redacted] (9 months pregnant) may get hurt. Foster parent then stated [redacted] looked at her husband and replied “Porque me pegaste” (Translation: why did you hit me). Foster parent stated she redirected [redacted] on not to say statements that are not true as they may be hurtful.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Southwest Key Casa Lighthouse

**Date of the Incident:** 9/8/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The minor disclosed that once they arrived in Sonoita, Sonora they were walking through the street when two Mexican Police Officers approached them. The minor indicated that the police officers requested to provide money to them in order to release them. He reported that between him and his friends were able to pay the police officers \$100.00MX. The minor stated that a man arrived a few minutes later and was talking to the police officers when the police told them to leave with him. The minor reported that they left with the man and were taken to a house where six more people were locked up. He stated that once in the house the man indicated that they had to work for him since he kept them from been taken by the police officers. The man stated to them that they work for the [redacted] (Narcotrafic). The minor and his three friends were locked up in the house waiting for the right time to cross the border with the drugs. The minor reported that the previous day of his journey through the desert he and his friends were provided with food, water and shoes. The minor indicated that was forced to carry drugs on their backs for several days. He described that they would get up at 6:00am in the morning and walk for two hours with no break. He reported that they were not able to request to stop for few minutes because they were afraid. He reported that his friends and him were surrounded by people with weapons and pointed the guns towards their heads telling them to hurry up. He reported that during his journey they were poorly fed. The minor indicated that one night when the gang members were sleeping they escaped from them. He disclosed that they ran until they saw a little town located by the Interstate 8. He stated that a truck driver offered to give them a ride to Phoenix, AZ. The minor indicated that were pull over by the highway patrol because the back door of the truck was opened. He stated that the police officer requested their documentation and since they were unable to provide the documents were arrested and taken to the brother patrol officers. The minor indicated that they were transported to the ICE detention and finally he was transported to SWK Lighthouse.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/16/14

**Summary of SIR:**

[redacted] reported to clinician that another UAC, [redacted] who was previously in our LTFC program did not want to go to URM in Pennsylvania because he was in a relationship with a staff member at IES Driscoll, while he was a minor, and didn't want to leave Texas. [redacted] stated he believes this female staff was 24 years old and [redacted] was 17 years old when the relationship began. [redacted] stated [redacted] spent approximately 15 days in URM before leaving Pennsylvania and moving back to Texas to live with the woman. Finally, [redacted] stated the woman is no longer employed at IES Driscoll and is now a teacher in Houston.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Heartland CRC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

was interviewed by Director due to reports that wanted to leave the Big Sister program as she was uncomfortable with behaviors she witnessed between and reported that and had kissed, had passed a grape from mouth to mouth, and that Valeria had been on bed. stated that she has not seen them naked with one another, she has not seen them under the covers together (always on top of the bed), and stated that she has not seen them engage in any other type of sexual act. stated that had stated that she is a lesbian, but could not recall the date or time this verbalization occurred. denied that either or had touched her inappropriately, denied that they tried to kiss her, and denied any threats toward her on their behalf. and denied the allegations.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Brazoria County Youth Homes

**Date of the Incident:** 10/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/18/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Minor reported to clinician that the Youth Development Worker (YDW staff) “ was mistreating him. Minor reported to clinician that he feels “ was mistreating him because “Mr. quitandonos los video game y diciendome palabra prosaica cabron”. Based on this clinician’s assessment, the minor experienced an incident of transference with the staff . Staff reported that while he was talking to and two other male minors about the program rules and privileges, he accidentally said the word “cabron” without directing the word towards any one minor in particular. He reported that he recognized what he said and immediately apologized for saying that word in front of the minors. The minor stated that the staff directed this word to him only. On 10/17/2014, minor was transferred to Shiloh Treatment Center for 30 day sub-acute assessment for further assessment. Prior to the transfer, (clinician) met with UAC to process the transfer to Shiloh Treatment Center that included assessing how he was coping with the transfer and to clarify any questions he may have. UAC asked if he could say "good-bye" to staff, including staff who was present this date. When UAC saw this staff, UAC approached him and gave him a hug, sobbing thereafter. This staff made eye contact with UAC and provided UAC with encouraging words related to the transfer. UAC was observed to nod in agreement

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 10/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/16/14 during dinner the minor stated to his peers that he took sexual pills that to enhance his erection. DFC redirected him twice about the inappropriateness of the statement. The minor disregarded her directives and stated it again. When the DFC re-directed again he became disrespectful calling her as a and . laughed at shelter staff redirection.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Heartland SCiy

**Date of the Incident:** 10/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Per the minor, two other girls and she had been sexually assaulted by more than one man upon their arrival to a safe house during her journey to the US. Clinician inquired as to the exact number of men, minor declined to answer and was visibly teary. When clinician attempted to inquire further the minor noted that she did not want to talk about the subject.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** IES Driscoll

**Date of the Incident:** 10/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC commented to [redacted] he would be leaving soon and he was sad to leave the shelter. During this conversation [redacted] brought up a Childcare worker who has been passing letters to him as well as having conversations which makes [redacted] believe CCW [redacted] wanted to have sex with him. [redacted] advised CCW [redacted] that CCW [redacted] had made statements like “Nos vamos al bano?” or “ Nos vamos al la casita solos?” and also “que se la quiere mamar.” [redacted] also said CCW [redacted] was going to give him a bracelet which was worth \$200. CCW [redacted] did see one of the notes which said “ Te quiero mucho.... Really I do”

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

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October 19 – October 25, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

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**Total Number of Major SIRs: 38; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 505; Number of SIRs for FY15: 1634**

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Mesa Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed that between May 2013 and January 2014 minor had been working as a foot guide. Minor states that he had dropped out of school (he had finished his 2nd year of "Secundaria," or 8th grade) and in order to assist his mother and siblings financially, minor began guiding people across the border (across the river). Minor reports that he at first made 2 trips back and forth, and that minor's mother, supported his actions. Minor reports that he did not like it because the people around him intimidated him and he was scared to continue. Minor was 12 years old. However, minor reports that he felt coerced to keep working as a foot guide because he was scared of his family being killed if he refused. Minor stated that he did not remember the name (nickname) of his "boss," but reported that he (the boss) worked for the " " Minor also disclosed that many times he was not paid the amount promised to him and was offered a number of excuses by his boss. Finally, according to minor, his boss stopped telling him to go on jobs in January 2014. Minor goes on to report that in June 2014, minor's old boss tracked him down once again and told him to guide four people across the border. Minor denies that he was physically hurt, but reports that there was a very explicit physical threat by boss to comply. Minor reports that he (minor) as well as the lives of his mother and 3 siblings were threatened by boss. Minor states that he did the job being ordered but that he had to help his family move to another side of town (Matamoros) to protect them from the cartel members.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** New Hope Emergency Children's Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 10/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC has exhibited an infatuation with a 60 year old male whom he claimed to live with for the past year. During every session the clinician has with UAC he will ask to make a phone call to his care taker in home country. During a session on October 16, 2014, UAC disclosed working for the 60 year old male in home country. UAC stated a year ago, his mother told him she was unable to provide for him and so informed him he would be living with an "uncle" he had never met before. UAC stated he lived with 5 other males, whom also worked for his so called "uncle", However, UAC stated unlike the other workers, he would not receive payment for work performed in the fields planting milpa or cutting firewood because the 60 year-old male whom he lived with, would provide food and shelter for him. UAC denied being forced to do sexual favors and denied any physical abuse during his stay, however UAC had not been living with for an extended period of time. UAC stated that the incident was not reported to police officials and denied needing medical attention.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Helping Hands

**Date of the Incident:** 10/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Youth reports he witnessed one of the coyotes (Javier) rape a female who was traveling with him. He reports wanting to help her but felt helpless because he was afraid of the coyotes. Youth reports he was also slapped by the same coyote after he was done talking to his mom because he was crying. He was also hit with a "ruler" by [redacted] after youth went outside the house where they were hiding out. Youth was also threatened not to leave the house again or his mother would get "hurt". This same coyote would have youth pick up coins on the floor and touch his butt.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Mercy First

**Date of the Incident:** 10/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported [redacted] members forcefully told minor to be their look out for a day in COO. Minor reported the gang members instructions were that minor had to alert gang members when the authorities would come nearby. Minor reported that if he didn't obey to the gang members, they threatened to hurt him and his family members. Minor reported this happened only once in COO.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Campbell

**Date of the Incident:** 10/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Due to various concerns related to the client's relationship with an adult, [redacted] who resides in the U.S. and a loan he made to the family, [redacted] as well as leads where in agreement to submit for trafficking concerns. Client did not have any relationship with [redacted] while [redacted] as in home country and began in having telephonic contact with him approximately two years, two years after he had traveled to the U.S., throughout [redacted] and [redacted] efforts to assess for trafficking and the wellbeing of the client, the client and her parents have provided conflicting information. Client provided [redacted] boyfriend's contact information stating it was her siblings' information. Client initially denied understanding or Speaking Spanish and was not responsive when an interpreter was provided. When clinician followed up client denied arrangement to live with her boyfriend and initially denied having a boyfriend. Client stated it was boyfriend idea for client to travel to the U.S. and stated that it was an arrangement made between boyfriend and parents and she was unaware of the detail. Client stated that she had agreed to travel as her boyfriend informed her she would be provided with an education and "everything" she wanted. Client reported that her boyfriend lent the family 20,000 quetzal for a family debt they had with the bank due to some property. Client additionally stated that the boyfriend was the solely responsible to pay the client's travel to the U.S. -When [redacted] and [redacted] followed up with father he initially denied having received any money from the boyfriend and when CL inquired about the client's disclosure, father confirmed that it was loan and it did not involve the client or the status of her relationship with this individual. Father further stated that the client would receive a monthly allowance of 100 to 200 U.S. dollars from the boyfriend which the client utilized for personal expenses. Throughout the client's discussion she states that multiple people, father, sibling, pastor have informed her that she must marry this individual as she has received money from him and it would be disrespectful or an embarrassment to her and the family if she does not follow through with the marriage. Client additionally stated that the boyfriend and father informed the client that if she does not marry this individual then the family will be responsible to repay the debt otherwise, the debt will be cleared.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Galveston Multicultural Institute

**Date of the Incident:** 6/1/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported that he was physically assaulted by gang members. This incident happened about 2 months before withdrawing from school (June 2014). He reported that he was beat by 7 or 8 gang members for few seconds; they hit him with their hands all over his body except the head, threw him on the floor, and kicked him with their feet. Minor reported that he had bruises. He reported that he hid the bruises from his mother because he didn't want to hurt her/for her to suffer what he was doing. He did not receive any medical care after the beating. Minor reported that he withdrew from school on the first week in June 2014 because he was threatened by the [redacted] According to minor he was forced by the gang to join them and work for them as a drug seller. He reported that he used to sell cigarette of Marijuana for one dollar each. Minor reported that he was threatened by the gang with hurt his 26 years old sister if he does not comply with the request from the gang. He was told "le vamos a hacer algo a tu hermana si no nos ayudas" (We are going to do something to you sister if you do not help us

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** IES Hildago

**Date of the Incident:** 10/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/20/14, the assigned clinician met with [redacted] age 7, in regards to a disclosure made by child's foster parent. Foster parent reported that on Sunday 10/19/14, the child disclosed that the child's brother, [redacted] (also a UAC in IES care), touched [redacted] inappropriately in her private area. When the assigned clinician asked for additional information, [redacted] reported that it occurred while they were watching television in the living room and this was the first occasion that something like this occurred. [redacted] reported that she immediately informed foster parent, who was changing a sibling's diaper when incident occurred.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 10/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While waiting at the gate to come into the garden area, minor pulled down the shorts of another minor exposing the underwear of the other minor.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Bokenkamp TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC [redacted] reported to foster mom [redacted] that UAC [redacted] was touching himself inappropriately and in a sexual manner under the blankets during their bed time. According to UAC [redacted] both UAC [redacted] and, UAC [redacted] were sitting on the floor of the bedroom with a blanket over them and their hands under the blanket watching TV. UAC [redacted] pulled the blanket away from them and found UAC [redacted] with his pants down. According to UAC [redacted] UAC [redacted] approached him, put his hand under the blankets, and pulled down pants down.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Mercy First

**Date of the Incident:** 10/8/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the initial UAC assessment the minor reported that while in Mexico he stayed in a home. While in this home the minor stated that several gang members would target him, and touch his buttocks. On several attempts the gang members tried to pin the minor and another minor on top of each other.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Center

**Date of the Incident:** 10/21/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/21/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC reports that he witnessed torturing people in the streets. He reports that he was stopped and held by approximately six times within the past year. The first three times, UAC was hanging out with friends who had angered the Cartel. UAC reports that he was taken into the woods and beaten. UAC was held for a day and then released. Another time, UAC was kidnapped for about a week. UAC reports that he was blindfolded, tied up and beaten. UAC was with other boys in the same situation. His mother and uncle were charged a sum of money for UAC to be released. UAC does not know how much his mother and uncle paid. Then another time, UAC was kidnapped by the Cartel and 'planked'. UAC reports that he was hit in the knees with a wooden board until his knees bleed. UAC was unable to walk after being 'planked'. On 10/09/14, UAC was drinking with his friend, and his cousin, They all spontaneously decided to cross the border, try to work in the United States and live with UAC's aunt in Brownsville, TX. As they were walking towards the border, they were kidnapped by UAC reports that they were tied up for about three days with UAC reports that he was whipped on his bottom with cords, beat with the cartel member's fists, and had a gun to his head. UAC reports that they were instructed to carry drugs across the border or be killed. UAC reports the cartel members cut head off with a machete in front of UAC and his cousin to demonstrate the consequences of disobeying their orders. UAC and his cousin were instructed to carry 10 kilos of marijuana across the border with a guide. UAC and his cousin crossed the border on 10/12/14. Once they were across the border, UAC and his cousin threw the drugs on the ground and started running. UAC reports the guide threatened both UAC and his cousin that they would be killed if they returned to Mexico for not carrying the drugs. UAC reports that the guide took the drugs back to Mexico.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Heartland SCiY

**Date of the Incident:** 10/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/21/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the initial clinical session, the minor reported that he had inappropriate interactions with a staff while in his previous program. The minor reported that while in his previous facility he would often feel upset because the other minors had parents who loved them and would work to get them out of the program quickly. He stated that he felt, "desesperado," that he was not leaving quickly and saddened that his parents did not care for him in this same manner. The minor stated that during this time, he gained a great deal of support from a male staff in the program named, The minor reported that told the minor, "yo no puedo tener hijos, entonces te voy a cuidar como si eres mi hijo." The minor stated that he would often talk to in order to feel better when he was upset. The minor also reported that while he was in the program, was handing out company shirts to other staff members. The minor stated that he then asked, "Y donde esta la mia?". The minor reported that on the day he left the program in order to be transferred to SCiY, provided the minor with one of the company t-shirts and then took the minor into one of the rooms to hug the minor. The minor stated that he believes that took him to the room to hug him in order to be out of camera sight because everyone knew that it was part of the rules not to touch others. The minor denied being touched by Jaime at any other time. There is a previous SIR for the minor's referring facility due to concerns for inappropriate relationship between the minor and a female staff from his previous facility.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 10/21/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/21/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During UAC Mental Health Assessment with interpreter, Isabel reports she was not paid correct amount while working in Guatemala. While working on a coffee plantation she was promised 500 Quetzal for 40 days of work. Instead, Isabel reports receiving 300 Quetzal for her work which included picking coffee and cleaning the plantation. During her stay she reports her boss was extremely demanding and would have her and uncle work 12 hour shifts with limited food and water. Isabel's job depended on the need and as a result would work daily sometimes and other days have off. Living conditions consisted of staying in a warehouse with 60 other men and female workers. Isabel denies and physical abuse.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Heartland IYC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/21/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Within the context of the clinical session, minor disclosed a female staff who worked at BCFS while minor was detained there was aware of minor's plans of escaping the facility and had promised to help minor and another participant after their escape. (See SIR completed for AWOL). Minor reported staff was a female of Mexican origin in her mid-twenties. Minor refused to disclose staff's name. Minor reported staff was aware minor and the other participants were planning on escaping the facility and promised them she will help them. Minor reported staff gave minor and the other participant her cell phone number to call her after they had escaped with the intention of helping them. Minor reported they called her from a public phone with money received from a Spanish-speaking adult male whom they met in the park. Minor reported staff told them to call her again the same day at 10 pm, after she finished her shift. Minor reported he and the other participant returned to the center before they had the opportunity to call her again. Minor reported she was no longer working there upon their return. Minor reported he believes she was fired because someone had suspected she was involved in minor's and the other participant's escape.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** SWK Mesa Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 10/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/21/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Clients reported to youth care worker and Shift Leader that he saw one of the legs broken on a sofa, because he saw two staff sitting on the sofa, youth care worker and shift leader who was in area B sometime between 10:00pm and 6:00am during third shift under a blanket appearing to be doing something inappropriate.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Combes

**Date of the Incident:** 10/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/22/14

**Summary of SIR:**

is a 16-year-old male from Guatemala who arrived to the shelter on 10/03/14. Youth reported inappropriate behavior by a peer in the program. Per internal documentation, youth disclosed to Teacher Assistant that a peer grabbed his buttocks while they were brushing their teeth in bathroom #6. reportedly began to address the behavior with the youth and another youth that resides in the same room. The youth reportedly stated they normally horseplay in that manner (grabbing each other's buttocks) and the other youth made a comment to the staff member about being homosexual. All youth involved were placed on Poor Peer Relationship status and have been separated from one another. In addition, youth were educated on appropriate behavior in the program.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/22/14

**Summary of SIR:**

At approximately 10:40am a sexually inappropriate note was found on the teacher's desk near his computer. The note contained drawings of multiple penises and said "joto" (homophobic slang), "puto" (bitch). Staff in the classroom did not see who threw the note nor did the teacher, so APD and County Manager reviewed the video of the classroom and were able to see this minor throw the note onto the teacher's desk where his computer was. During the time while APD and County Manager were watching the video this minor was having to be redirected by YCW for drawing picture that was offensive to another program minor. This minor then became verbally aggressive towards staff and posturing in an aggressive manner at staff. He was able to comply and go to his room without further incident but was verbally aggressive towards YCW

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** IES Driscoll

**Date of the Incident:** 10/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/21/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On October 21, 2014 during a follow up session with resident, he disclosed additional information to clinician regarding inappropriate comments and physical contact made by a childcare worker. Resident reported the childcare worker would give him candy, but minor denied ever eating the candy. He mentioned throwing the candy away out of fear the childcare worker had laced it with drugs. In addition resident stated while he was making his bed on October 18, 2014 the childcare worker came into his room and hugged him. Resident states he immediately pulled away from the childcare worker and informed him he was going to report the incident. Minor admitted feeling uncomfortable. Minor proceeded to state a month ago resident had disclosed the same childcare worker would ask him for hugs and kisses. However, minor denies having any knowledge of physical contact between the two.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 10/21/14

**UAC**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/22/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UACs and accused of inappropriately touching their private parts.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Lakeside Washington

**Date of the Incident:** 10/5/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/6/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Minor stated that her mother made arrangements for her journey, but did not mention that they would be stopping at bodegas along the way. They made two of these unplanned Bodega stops during her journey. During the first stop there was no issue. At the second Bodegas, in Mexico, one of the men there took her and another girl to a factory near where they were staying. While there the man took the other girl to another room. He returned and took minor to a separate room. In this room he forced her to have intercourse with him. Minor stated that she attempted to fight him off, but was threatened that she would be reported to Mexican Immigration if she kept fighting. Afterwards he reiterated that he would report her to Mexican Immigration authorities if she told anyone, and returned her to the Bodega where she continued on her trip.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 10/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/21/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported that he and a friend, Rene, met up with the people that he worked with the day before he came to the US and they took him to a house outside of the city in a ranch far from his home around 7pm with the understanding that they would be going to work as a guide. He reported that upon arriving he was told that they did not yet have permission to cross from those who control the border. He stated that he wanted to leave but was told that he would have to stay until the next day. He stated that because he was far away from the city there was no way to leave. He reports that they threatened to beat him if he tried. He also reports that that same night he told them that he no longer wanted to work for them and that he was told that if he did not work for them a few more times that he would have to endure a beating as his punishment. Minor reports that he and Rene stayed there until about 11 am the next day when they were told they had permission to cross. He was then taken to the Rio Grande River to cross over with the group of immigrants.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Morrison TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/14/15

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/22/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

YCW reported observing LEAP Teacher put her hands on the hood of sweatshirt and pulled directly back in response to his actions of grabbing the other minor's arm. also reported to CPS worker the concerns regarding the thought the incidents linked, but the CPS worker did not agree. and met with the supervisor and he explained that there have been concerns regarding communication/interactions between LEP Teacher and YCW and that there is tension between the two individuals. Morrison Administrative Services Supervisor was asked to consult with as behavior appears to be somewhat hostile towards the LEP teacher. Morrison will continue to monitor YCW interactions with LEP teacher and provide continued support and supervisor regarding this issue. On Friday the 17th met with , LEP Supervisor, and , LEP Vice Principal. also witnessed the first incident of the sweatshirt. She claims nothing happened. was informed of our process of having the teacher assist in the reporting since when individuals are directly that they should make the call to CPS. It was explained to and that there should not be any physical contact between LEP Staff and the minors. The tension between YCW and LEP teacher was also discussed and agreed to provide additional support and supervision.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Southwest Key Sol

**Date of the Incident:** 10/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client stated that he traveled with his uncle, and his 2 cousins. Client reported that his uncle traveled with them to ensure they arrived to the U.S. Mexico border safely. Client stated his uncle had arranged for all of them to work picking squash in Mexico with and individual. However, this individual was unable to obtain them work and consequently went with another individual. Client stated he had a fake Mexican identification to be able to work in Mexico. Client stated his cousins and uncle where unable to work at the location due to not having a hard copy Mexican identification. Thus, client was left to work at the location for a week while, client's cousins and uncle when to holding house in Sonora. Client stated he signed a contract in Hermosillo stating he would work the entire harvest which was about a month. In addition, the overseer of the location required client to have 3days of work be withheld from his pay check. Client stated this was to prevent workers from leaving before the harvest ended. Client indicated he was paid \$120 pesos a day and was to pay \$280 pesos for food provided to client while he worked. Client reported that he would work from 7am-7pm. Client stated that although he was not forced to work, he was obligated to work. He stated the area in which he worked was supervised and gated to prevent people from escaping and leaving the area. Client stated he worked

for a week and only received \$200 pesos for a week's worth of work after paying the \$280 pesos for food. Client stated he was finally able to escape because they would allow workers to leave the premises on Sundays.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland CRC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/10/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Addendum**

A Trafficking SIR is being submitted due to labor trafficking indicators. The minor reported that she was provided with housing by her employer. Minor reported that after a year of working she was forced into a car and was sexually and physically assaulted by her boss and police officers in her home country. Minor stated that this happened because she went to the police to report that her boss and other management personnel were sexually abusing the women she worked with.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** Seton Home

**Date of the Incident:** 10/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Resident disclosed during initial clinical assessment on 10/24/14 that she is currently 5 months pregnant. The pregnancy was not the result of a consensual relationship. The resident disclosed that she was assaulted in home country (Guatemala) around May 2014. The resident denied knowing the identity of her attacker. The resident denied having reported the assault to the authorities or to her family, as has not received any prenatal care as a result.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Children's Village SS

**Date of the Incident:** 10/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

According to the report of another resident, [redacted] was rubbing his private part in the morning and told his roommate that when he is sleeping that he was going to rub his private part in his face. The other resident also reported that Juan put his finger in his nose and wiped himself in the other resident's pants. The roommate looked for a staff and informed staff of what had happened in the bedroom. The roommate was immediately removed from the room and placed in another room. Throughout the minor [redacted] made inappropriate comments to the female staff including the Assistant VP. Comments included that the female staff looked good and he would like to hit that. During media he walked towards a female staff and touched her face. In class he ripped the placement test that was given to him by the teacher and he broke the pencil in half. When the staff redirected him, he told the staff, "Me Vale Verga." During siesta, minor kept on calling a particular female staff informing her that he had a gift for her. The female as per order sent a male staff, male staff saw that the resident had his hands in his pants and pulled his pants up. Minor during transitioning from recreation in the basement shoved another minor aside and threatened to fight him. Staff immediately intervened and the other minor stepped aside and told him didn't want any problem with him.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** NOVA Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While staff was performing room checks, UAC [redacted] was observed in his room screaming loudly, and pulling his pants down to expose himself to another UAC across the hall. Staff verbally informed the UAC that this was unacceptable behavior. He remained in his room with no further incident.



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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Southwest Key Canutillo

**Date of the Incident:** 10/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During a scheduled session on 10/22/2014 client provided additional information to his initial report on 9/25/2014. had initially reported his grandmother had tried to force him to sell drugs in his home country. During the session, voiced that he in fact was forced by his grandmother to sell and distribute marijuana. reported that for the past several years, his grandmother's house was a "stash house" and he lived around what looked like "bricks" of Marijuana and cocaine. reported his grandmother would make him sell drugs from his house (her house) as she would simply ask him to open the door, give "a package" and retrieve money from the person picking it up. He voiced his house was "like" a distribution center. reported his grandmother would beat him if he did not comply with this. also reported to have felt anxious and stressed about the situation and felt ill at times because he complied with this.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** IES Weslaco

**Date of the Incident:** 10/22/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC (age 15) arrived to IES Weslaco foster care program on 10/21/14. Upon completion of her initial intake on 10/22/14, reported to case manager that she was 3 months pregnant, and disclosed that her pregnancy was non-consensual. According to she was threatened by (age 20) who is a member in El Salvador to go live with him if not he was going to kill her. stated that he took her out of school by force and that she felt obligated to go with him since she feared for her life. fled from residence and home country due to being threatened by and feared for her life.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** BCFS Fairfield Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/21/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/22/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the afternoon activity disclosed that he had a "horrible" experience at his precious placement (Union County). According to officers verbally abused the minors and encouraged them to fight whenever there were disagreements. recalls being insulted by a male of large build and Cuban origin. Furthermore, also reported that staff members provide gloves to the residents and took them into a room allowing them to hit each other and settle their "differences". As the fight in the room occurred, staff would make bets and provide the "winner" with outside food. The report was submitted to New Jersey Department of Children and Families by . Per the report was submitted for investigation to New Jersey Institutional Abuse. Please note, has been very guarded about the information he shares and who he shares the information too.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/23/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/23/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During weekly meeting with clinician, reported that on one of his successful journeys to the U.S. he was hitchhiking his way back in to Mexico and was offered a ride by an unknown individual who coerced him to cross a package from the U.S. in to Mexico. He refused and he felt his life was in danger because he was threatened. felt he had no choice but to cross the package in to Mexico. He states he did not know the contents of the package. was given a small package and a gun for protection. He was detained by U.S. police officers as he attempted to cross the package in to Mexico. reports he was placed in a juvenile detention center in Edinburg, Texas in 2012.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** A New Leaf

**Date of the Incident:** 10/23/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Prior to the incident, client and had finished lunch. Approximately 2pm, both clients got up to read their kitchen duties, which are posted in front of the door entering the kitchen area. Staff was able to clearly see both clients from his view point; staff was sitting at the dinner table facing all clients. Client and were reading their kitchen duties in front of the door. Both clients were standing shoulder to shoulder when client reached down with her right hand and quickly grabbed client hand which swiftly proceeded with client SA grabbing peer's rear-end. Staff immediately addressed client's behavior. Client without delay pulled her hand away from peer's buttocks. During incident, client did not react to client's inappropriate touching. Staff actually observed client smiling as this happened. Moreover, client and attempted to lie about the incident saying client just attempted to reach over to better read the kitchen duties log. This incident is being reported for information purposes; both clients involved denied incident.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Friends of Youth McEachern

**Date of the Incident:** 10/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While completing initial intake, was asked "do you feel safe right now" responded no as there were many male staff working in the program. elaborated and reported that during his trip to the U.S. he was kidnapped, eventually was able to escape and then declined housing at the immigrant shelter. reported that he then met a man who threatened to call the police or the cartel if he did not go with him. reported that this unknown male who he described as bald, short and chubby, sexually abused him. was reluctant to share any further details or information.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 10/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/24/14 clinician, was meeting with when he stated that a former resident of the program told him and the other residents that the following things happened at Morrison Senderos Secure Program. 1) The former resident stated that when new minors entered Senderos they would fight for 15 minutes. When asked if staff intervened or if kids were hurt, stated that he didn't know and that this was all that was said. 2) The former resident also stated that all the residents at would shower together. 3) The former resident stated that the food was bad. 4) The former resident stated that they were given IPODS. was further interviewed by Clinical Supervisor and When he was asked questions about the disclosures he stated that the former resident just told them these incidents occurred and didn't ask any questions and wasn't told about anything else.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 10/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/24/14 at 5:30 pm, Case manager contacted sponsor to inquire about anyone contacting him requesting money to release the minor. The sponsor reported that he received a call a week before Case Manager contacted him to ask if he was willing to sponsor the minor. The sponsor reported that the call that he received was from a private number and it was made between 10/6/14 and 10/7/14. The sponsor reported that a man asked him to send him money and a lady would come to his door and bring the minor to him. The sponsor reported that the man did not disclose an amount to send, but he did not listen to the man and hung up the phone.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland IYC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/24/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During the course of initial assessment, minor disclosed a history of working as a foot guide crossing undocumented immigrants into the United States. Minor reported that when he was 11 years old he would cross into the United States by himself to visit friends. When he was 13 years old a friend approached him that said with wanted minor to work as a foot guide. Minor reported hreatened him that if minor did not work for CDG minor would be killed. Minor stated trying to stop working as a foot guide when he was 14 years old but threatened him again that if he stopped then the would kill him. Minor stated working as a foot guide from 13 to 15 years old. Minor stated working one day a week, where he would cross approximately 10 migrants at a time, and get paid 80 dollars per person. Minor reported there was one time when he was 14 years old he was called upon to smuggle 20 kilos of marijuana (approximately 40 lbs) but was not ordered to smuggle any more. Minor worked as a foot guide until he was 15 years old when he was apprehended on July 22, 2014 in TX. Minor reports being apprehended 25 times prior to 2014 and was apprehended for the 26th time in July 2014 where he was detained and sent to an unaccompanied minors program in California. Minor was sent to a family friend in TX on September 12, 2014 and a week later moved in with his mother in TX. Minor states on October 19, 2014 he went back to Mexico to inform a leader in the named Miguel that minor had been detained in the United States which is why he was no longer working as a foot guide. Minor reported needing to do this because a nephew of who lives in TX found minor on Facebook and informed him that if he did not show his face to nd offer an explanation would hurt his family. Minor denies neither experiencing any physical harm nor witnessing any harm being done to anyone else. Minor states being forced to work for as a foot guide but denies being a member of the cartel or any other gang.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Paso Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

stated that one of his brothers, who is 25 y/o, has been forced to work for people who contract with the in Mexico. Minor stated that his brother has been obligated to live in a warehouse where the people who are going to be smuggled are taken before crossing the border, and he is not allowed to live that warehouse. reported that his brother had an accident that resulted in a mental disability when he was 18 y/o. Minor stated that his brother has been apprehended several times by the authorities, but is always let go due to his disability. believes that because his brother will never been imprisoned, the people who have him captured don't let him go and forced him to work. stated that he (minor) started to work for the cartel as a foot guide about 6 months ago. stated that he started because his mother left the house and he was obligated to provide for his little siblings. Minor stated that he communicated to a friend that he would like to work for the cartel, and several days later members of the cartel came to his house and told him to work. Minor stated he had to work since he felt he could not refuse as he had heard several stories about minors being hurt when they refused to work for the cartel. Minor stated that when his daughter was born (about 4 months ago) he said to his boss he did not want to work anymore. Minor stated he was told that he would be hit with the wooden board if he refuses to work. Minor disclosed that he was also communicated that if he refuses to work he will never see his brother again, and he could only see him if he continues working for them. stated that his boss, whom he called , would pick him up not only from his house, but would look for him in several other places like a soccer field or the streets of Minor stated he felt harassed by his boss, but he felt obligated to work since he was afraid to be punished and also feared that something bad would happen to his brother.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/25/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Case manager was conducting an informational interview with mother of UAC, via teleconference. According to case manager's verbal report mother stated UAC traveled with another youth that was deported to home country recently. According to mother UAC and the other youth were (enganado) lied to by " (teacher, unsure of relation to minors; actual name unknown) into coming to the USA with. Mother of the UAC stated the had intentions of selling the youth (unknown to whom, or for what). According to youth's mother, UAC and the other youth ran away from the adult at the border in Mexico and crossed over to the USA, because he was "tratandoles muy mal" (treating them very poorly). Program is uncertain what "poorly" means at this time, or if abuse occurred. Both youth were apprehended by US authorities. 2. Per mother of UAC, is in custody, but it unknown to what authority or where. 3. Mother of UAC stated " has threatened UAC and other youth with death when he exits jail. Mother of UAC states the girlfriend (name or description unknown) of " is looking or UAC in US to kill him

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

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October 26 – November 1, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

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**Total Number of Major SIRs: 34; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 464; Number of SIRs for FY15: 2098**

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** CC Houston

**Date of the Incident:** 10/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/27/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported while waiting in a warehouse in \_\_\_\_\_, Mexico, a man forced her to kiss him two times. Minor reported she pushed the man off and ran to a room where the women were. Minor did not report any other injuries or abuse.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 10/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/24/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Due to nature of allegations at previous shelter (inappropriate sexual behavior between one UAC against \_\_\_\_\_), minor was interviewed by SAPD Detective Wesley Ross, and a Spanish speaking translator. During this interview, RAICES child attorney \_\_\_\_\_, HHS OIG, and Clinician \_\_\_\_\_ were present.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** A New Leaf

**Date of the Incident:** 10/26/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/27/14

**Summary of SIR:**

At approximately 9:30pm, staff \_\_\_\_\_ informed shift lead \_\_\_\_\_ that both clients, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ were talking to her about client \_\_\_\_\_ prior to going to bed. According to Staff \_\_\_\_\_ both clients stated client \_\_\_\_\_ informed them that she feels attracted to Clinician \_\_\_\_\_ and staff member \_\_\_\_\_ Client \_\_\_\_\_ stated to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ he will do her best to entice both male staff.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 10/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/27/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/27/2014 at 2:27 PM, Case Manager \_\_\_\_\_ received a phone call from sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ (mother) stating that she was calling to report she received a call from a female named \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ disclosed to Case Manager \_\_\_\_\_ that this female caller reported her son (UAC \_\_\_\_\_) was in the United States with a coyote. Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ was instructed to call the coyote at \_\_\_\_\_ and pay money in exchange for UAC \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor reported she did not call the number as in previous conversations with Case Manager \_\_\_\_\_ she had been made aware to report any such incidents and explained services were at no cost to the sponsor.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** CC Houston

**Date of the Incident:** 08/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/27/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

Minor mentioned that she spoke and met directly with the man (previously denied information) that was in charge of arranging her appointments with potential clients. She reported that she is not sure if this man was part of the FBI undercover operation or if he, in reality worked in the business of "selling of minor girls." Minor mentioned that he told her she would be paid \$5,000 per client. Minor indicated she had the option to perform sexual acts with more than one client per night and that she was going to meet with 2 to 3 clients per night. She reported that she planned on working for one month, giving the money (she estimated \$200,000) to her sister [redacted] who was in turn going to distribute the money to their sister [redacted] and their mother in Honduras, who were not aware of the plan. Minor stated she planned to move back to Louisiana after her month of working in the Houston area. Minor reported she wanted to work to pay back the family for everything they have done for her. The minor has also started asking when she can speak to her mother about her sisters, [redacted] currently, she is restricted from speaking to her mother about trafficking concerns and her sisters, [redacted] and Luz).

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** IES Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 10/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/27/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During individual session with [redacted] 15 year old female from El Salvador, she reported that back in her home country she was raped by an older male gang member. [redacted] did not want to provide any details at the time, but mentioned she is 2 months pregnant as a result of the rape [redacted] reported that it was an older male and that she had seen him before in the neighborhood but was not acquainted with him.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Children's Village Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 10/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor requested to speak with Case Manager regarding an incident that took place during her journey to the U.S. Minor is a 15yo Hispanic female originally from El Salvador who traveled with her female cousin to the U.S to reunite with extended family living in the U.S. Per the minor, she informed the Case Manager that in Veracruz, Mexico she was raped by the owner of a hotel she and her cousin were staying. According to the minor, she and her cousin got into a fight while in the hotel room due to her cousin wanting to sleep in the same bed as the coyote [redacted] that was bringing them to the U.S. Minor mentioned she wanted to sleep in the same bed as her cousin for protection purposes however, cousin refused. At that time, minor stated she punched her cousin in the back and everyone in the hotel room ganged up on [redacted] telling her she was no longer able to sleep in the same room and she was to sleep outside; minor was provided with a pillow. Minor stated it was very cold at night and was not able to fall asleep. In the morning, she was told to get everyone breakfast before they started their journey. Minor stated she was really upset at her cousin and decided to go to the supermarket that was in that neighborhood. Minor stated the owner of the hotel (drug smuggler), was following her and "bothering" her stating [redacted] told him to pick her up and take her back to the hotel. According to Minor, she did not want to get in the car with him however, since he was being very persistent and was growing impatient with his groveling she got in the car. According to minor, he informed her that he was going to take her to his home to pick up a few items that he forgot. At first, [redacted] as hesitant in going however made the decision to go with him. In the car, he began to offer her something to drink; he kept insisting until minor drank what appeared to be soda. Minor stated that this particular drink had something in it that made her fall asleep. Minor stated when she woke up she found herself in his house, on his bed, under the covers; minor stated she was raped by this man. Minor stated she grew very upset she began to cry and immediately got dressed. Minor stated she did not see the man in the same room as her so she grabbed his car keys and his cellphone.

According to she got in the car and began to drive; not knowing where she was going. Minor stated she turned his cellphone on and saw that name appeared in the caller ID. At this time, minor stated this man began driving after her in another car. Minor was not sure where she was going however, wanted to get away from him as fast as she could. At a stop light he pulled up next to the car and was informed to follow him since he was going to take her back to the hotel. Once the minor arrived to the hotel, her cousin and the other coyotes stated they were looking for her. began to cry and was really upset with her cousin since she believes it was her cousin and the coyote's idea to have this happen to her. stated she grabbed all of her things from the hotel room and proceeded to leave. stated her cousin began to apologize for throwing her out of the hotel room, was really upset she ignored her cousin. According to Kenia, she informed her cousin she was going to find her own way to the U.S. and no longer needed their assistance. She began to walk, in tears, when she came across another coyote who, she stated, helped her cross over to the U.S.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** BCFS Extended Care

**Date of the Incident:** 10/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10-29-14 UAC DRM was detained by NISD campus police. His teacher could smell the odor of marijuana when he walked in to the room. She called the NISD campus police and they found a little baggie with marijuana. UAC was escorted to the principal's office and has been placed under arrest. UAC had .015oz of marijuana in his pocket and admitted to smoking in the morning right before going to class. UAC is being transported to Bexar County Jail. We will be discharging UAC from our program as of today.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** IES Brownsville

**Date of the Incident:** 10/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/28/14, during individual session (age 17), mother to (age 1 year and 11 months) and (age 1 month) reported that she was feeling uncomfortable with a frequent visitor to the foster home in which she and her children are currently placed in. reported foster parent's daughter in law named visits the home on a daily basis, and she does not like the way treats her daughter reported that yesterday while she was changing her baby diaper, her daughter was in the living room/dining room area with stated that came crying into the room where was, and was holding her hand. asked what happened and according to led her to the living room area then pointed at " stated that this made her believe that may have hit on her hand. reported that she did not observe any red marks or bruising. She stated she did not tell foster parent who was within hearing distance in the kitchen. stated in the past has made comments that make her uncomfortable such as: telling foster parent it is s mother's responsibility to watch stated these comments were made in front of her as if she was not there.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Nueva Esperanza

**Date of the Incident:** 10/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed to this clinician that she was one of the last ones to leave a warehouse in . Minor shared while there she and two other females were ordered to wash the clothes of the man in charge and cook for everyone staying at the warehouse. Minor stated she washed clothes four weekends and cooked six times during the month she was there. Minor expressed the other people in the group who were also waiting to cross would tell her she better do as told otherwise she would stay there longer. Minor reported she was able to borrow a cell phone and she called her brother who lives in Miami to inform him of the situation. Minor stated the next day she and the other two females were taken to another warehouse to continue the journey to the U.S. Minor verbalized she had no knowledge whether her family was contacted by the man in charge of the warehouse to demand money so she could continue her journey. Minor shared she

was not physically or sexually abused at any time while staying at the warehouse. Minor acknowledged she was there for one month but explained that people were taken 3 or 4 at a time and she and the other two females were left to the last. This clinician contacted minor's brother in Miami to get more information. Minor's brother stated that he never received any calls from anyone from that warehouse minor stayed. Minor's brother also stated that no one contacted him for any monies nor his family in home country. Minor stated that while at the other warehouse she witnessed some men being punched but not severely. Minor shared that the men verbally expressed that they did not like being yelled at or have their food they purchased thrown away. Minor expressed when the men were being hit she got up and went to the restroom. Minor expressed she felt scared but not terrified.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** United Methodist Home

**Date of the Incident:** 10/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

When she was in Mexico, she went to a place where a man (member of ) wanted to "buy her" and the coyote responded with "no because he had a commitment with her". responded to the coyote: "Ok but for the next trip, I want a guerita". man was 35 years old. stated "If Mexico wins the football game, la guerita will stay with me". The coyote told him "no, I will pay you a lot of money for her". The coyote moved them to a house closer to the river and she stayed there for 2 nights She argued with the coyote because he refused to continue with her. The coyote stated: "stay with me, I will buy you a house and I will give you whatever you want." He touched her breast and kissed her. Then, she spoke with another person because she wanted to cross the river without the coyote. left the coyote's house in the middle of the night and swam across the river alone to get to the United States. At this moment, is refusing to eat her meals.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 10/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

It was reported to a staff member ) by another resident that and on kissed at the pool after lunch around 12:45 PM. was questioned by the therapist and confirmed that did kiss her while she was sitting down. was very honest and she was able to process this incident.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Shiloh Treatment Center

**Date of the Incident:** 10/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client reported that one of his peers has been periodically 'inappropriately touching' some of the other boys in his teaching home. Client reported that last Wednesday his peer touched his hand inappropriately while in the living area during leisure time, and later the same day he 'blew him a kiss' while eating dinner. Client stated that next day that this particular peer told another boy in his teaching home that client had shown peer his private part and that they were sexually intimate. Client reported that this peer continued telling others the same story for two more days. Client reported that two of his peers had also been touched in their private areas by this same boy in the teaching home; one peer while leaving the restroom, and the other peer while in the living area. Client reported that the inappropriate touching happens when passing this peer and staff is looking the other way. Therapist affirmed client for reporting and made a CPS report. This report was reported to supervisor and to case manager. Client was assured that he is safe and staff will make sure he is not bothered by this peer. Case Coordinator interviewed client around 2:30 pm, client disclosed he felt uncomfortable with peer reporting: minor uses sexual innuendo type gestures, and stated that about 3-4 days ago he let (staff member) know that the minor who is not a UAC, was bothering him and trying to hold his hand, that today he spoke to his CM and let her know that his roommate had touched his private part (Case Coordinator asked minor what area of his body he referred to and he pointed to it, Case Coordinator asked "penis" and client said yes). did not disclose what



he and his roommate were doing when this occurred and also disclosed that peers have let him know that his roommate has told them they he and client are having/have had a sexual encounter.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 10/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While staff was accommodating UC's for lunch time, [redacted] was singing out loud at the table. One of the staff asked the UC to stop singing because it was time to eat. Staff respectfully tried to re-direct [redacted] and teach to him about good table manners. [redacted] disregarded any teachings by staff and became argumentative and disrespectful with staff. He became angry and stated "Who are you to tell me what to do? Are you going to shut me up?" Minor continued by stating "Joboune" which means "Eat my penis" to staff.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** CC Fort Worth Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 10/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During completion of the child's initial intake assessment on the morning of Tuesday October 28, 2014, the child stated to case manager [redacted] that her name is not [redacted] but rather, [redacted] and that rather than being a 14 year old [redacted] citizen of El Salvador, she is in fact 18 years old (DOB: [redacted] and a citizen of Mexico. The child reported that as a young child her biological father in El Salvador "did not want her" and "gave her away" to a "friend" of his in Mexico. According to the child, her biological mother did want her, but because her biological father was "not sure that [the child] belonged to him," he refused to let her biological mother keep her. According to the child, she has lived with her "adoptive" mother in Mexico, in the city of [redacted] since she was a young child and, although the child could not provide any identifying paperwork, is also very adamant that she is 18 years old and not 14, like Dallas ICE and ORR Placements allege. According to Dallas ICE officials, the child is also a suspected victim of trafficking, as she traveled to the United States to live with her 42 year-old "boyfriend" who is currently a fugitive. Dallas ICE officials stated that the man in question, Mr. [redacted] paid \$8,000 to bring the child to the United States. At this time the child has not disclosed any information regarding her being trafficked, and has stated that she and 42 year-old, [redacted] are in a "relationship" and are going to get married. The child has reported multiple timelines for when her travel to the United States took place, including a report that she's been in the United States for 8 months, for 5 months, and "since June of this year." The child also stated to clinician [redacted] that she was 14 years old when she left her "home country" to come to the United States. At this time it is unclear to Catholic Charities Fort Worth Shelter staff the true identify and age of the child.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Bokenkamp TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 10/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On October 29, 2014, CM [redacted] was contacted by UAC's sponsor (mother) via telephone. Sponsor reported that she was contacted by an unknown individual who identified himself as [redacted]. According to the sponsor, [redacted] stated that he was working for an immigration office in Harlingen TX and that UAC [redacted] had an immigration court hearing on 10/29/14 at 11:00 am. She was instructed by this man to make five deposits of five hundred dollars into a Western Union or money gram account to secure the release of her son for 11/02/2014 and to avoid deportation. Sponsor reported that the man called her again at 11:00 am stating that if she did not deposit the money her son was going to be deported to Ecuador. [redacted] Iso stated that she needed to hurry because he was the only one able to avoid UAC's deportation. Sponsor reported that [redacted] did not speak very good Spanish.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Cayuga Centers

**Date of the Incident:** 10/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/27/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

She clarified that [redacted] 19 years old, the son of [redacted], her grandmother's boyfriend, did in fact live with her and her grandmother, and he obligated [redacted] to transport drugs between her home and the homes of associates of his. She stated that he threatened to kill her if she did not do this. [redacted] verified that her grandmother had also advised her to do as he asked because both [redacted] and her grandmother had been told they would be killed if [redacted] did not agree to do the transportation. [redacted] and her grandmother believed the threats were credible due to Johnathan's anger and having witnessed him and his friends attack others in the community before. One such incident took place approximately on September 1, 2014, wherein [redacted] and his friends attacked and beat a transgender individual. [redacted] also had a gun in the home for a while, however, he recently gave the gun to a friend and [redacted] stated there were no other guns in the home after that point. [redacted] reported she was obligated since age 7 to transport drugs every weekend, on Saturday and Sunday but not on days she attended school. She stated she transported drugs predominantly between [redacted] and an associate of his, whom she reported she knew as [redacted] lived slightly far away; she stated approximately 12 to 18 houses away. She reported she was always alone when she transported the drugs, and she had been told ahead of time by Johnathan that she would be carrying drugs. She described [redacted] as keeping the drugs, described as small whitish-green balls, in a hollowed out stick. He would place the balls into small baggies and divide the baggies into 4 larger bags and then place the 4 bags in a black plastic bag for her to carry. She reported [redacted] would both use and sell the drugs from the home. She described that he would take her school workbooks and rip pages out to roll up the drugs after he crushed the balls, and that when he smoked the drugs it smelled of burnt plastic. She also reports that individuals would come frequently to the house to seek [redacted] out and buy drugs. She reported they would knock on the door and she would be made to answer. They would ask for the drugs and she would get them from [redacted] exchange the drugs for money at the door. She said the drugs she would give them were in tiny bags. She reported the individuals would steal her money on the way to school (approximately \$1 a day) were the same friends and associates of [redacted] whom would often sleep outside their home in hammocks and on the front porch, they would frequently use and buy the drugs [redacted] had. She also reports her aunt, age 18, [redacted] was made to transport for [redacted] as well, and was robbed daily as well when she would come to retrieve to walk to school with her.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 10/25/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

This SIR adds further information regarding trafficking original SIR 10/19/14. Minor stated that after he was apprehended for the first time by ICE, about a month and a half ago, he did not want to continue working for the Cartel, and told his boss about this. Minor stated his boss initially said that it was fine, but after a month his boss went to his house and told him he had to work smuggling drugs to the US. [redacted] reported that his boss told him that if he refuses to transport the drugs, he was going to be physically punished with a wooden board. Minor stated that it is very common that the cartel physically penalizes minors with wooden boards that have holes on them to make them more harmful. Minor reported that the moment he was given the drugs, his boss told him that if he loses the drugs he would be killed. Because he was apprehended by immigration officers with the drugs he was forced to smuggled, Minor stated there is a 98% probability that he is going to be killed by the Cartel once he is back to Mexico. Minor stated that there are alternatives for him not to be killed: 1. Pay about \$500 dollars to the Consulate when arriving to Mexico, and not being released to the DIF. B. Become an assassin for the cartel. Minor stated if he becomes an assassin, he would have to kill whoever they said, otherwise his fingers would be broken [redacted] stated he has seen people many times being hurt with the wooden board with holes as punishment when members of the cartel do not follow orders. He stated he saw a person being killed in front of him. He stated there were 7 more people carrying drugs that day (about 9 months ago) when they looked for the drug that they were going to smuggle. Minor said they did not find the drugs and realized it was taken by the army. Minor stated the bosses told the 8 people to say who was the person who told the army, otherwise their fingers would be cut one by one.

stated he found out who did tell the army. He described this person being beaten, taken to a place where all the assassins who work for the cartel were waiting in about 30 trucks. Minor stated this person was killed in front of everyone by a shot in the head, and then his body was thrown in a pile of tires and then burned. Minor stated he thought that could happen to him if he does something he is not supposed to do.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** Morrison Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/24/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/29/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

~27yrs old) a music teacher at Instituto \_\_\_\_\_ professed his love to minor on the journey, gave minor alcohol, and tried to touch him in a sexual manner 2 to 3 times he was distracted (youth stated). Youth also stated the attempts of \_\_\_\_\_ were unsuccessful.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Extended Care

**Date of the Incident:** 10/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10-29-14 at approximately 7:17am UAC was redirected by staff for making inappropriate comments. UAC then proceeded to walk towards staff and continued repeating the the inappropriate comments. Minor was telling staff "En donde estabas te extrane mucho, estube pensando en ti mi amor. Yo no me porto bien con otros staff pero contigo si." "Where have you been? I have missed you so much, I have been thinking of you. I do not behave well with the other staff only you." Staff immediately redirected UAC and advised him that those comments were not an appropriate way of talking to staff. Minor proceeded to try to give staff a side hug, but staff stepped back and told minor that touching is not allowed. On the way to take minor to his medical appointment UAC once again made a comment "yo quiero que seas mi mamasita." "I want you to be my mamasita." Staff once again redirected minor and reminded him of proper boundaries. When minor got back from the medical appointment a pen fell from the staffs hand and it landed in front of minor. Minor was not moving to allow staff to pick up the pen and when he picked it up and gave it to the staff but touched staffs hand while giving over the pen.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 09/26/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/29/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

A victim of trafficking eligibility letter was received for \_\_\_\_\_ Minor, case manager and all parties involved will be informed of the information provided by ATIP.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/29/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During clinical interview, \_\_\_\_\_ reported this as being the 6th time that he has been apprehended by ICE. Jose reports he was a "coyote" working in collaboration with his two older cousins who made arrangements with the \_\_\_\_\_ and paid them an unknown fee. He stated that approximately four months ago he decided to stop working as a coyote. \_\_\_\_\_ was told by individuals affiliated with the \_\_\_\_\_ that he would be killed if he stopped working for them. \_\_\_\_\_ feared for his safety and continued to work for these individuals.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** St PJs Childrens Home

**Date of the Incident:** 10/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/30/14

**Summary of SIR:**

shared with the clinician his love interest for two female staff members. He reported that he had asked a team leader what would happen if he fell in love with staff. reported that staff told him it was not something he could pursue. stated that he developed these feelings for staff because he falls in love easily, and then asked if a transfer to another facility was an option. reported he would consider a transfer to avoid seeing these two staff members, adding that he rarely sees one of them and identifying the other as a transporter. reported that he feels bad because he cannot act on his feelings and has thought of the consequences. He reported that he will not act on his feelings for staff, however does not like that he cannot pursue this love interest.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS Harlingen

**Date of the Incident:** 10/28/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/28/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/28/14 and at 8:40 pm while at the Emergency Shelter living quarters room #22 UAC (A# ) age 16, disclosed to DCW that age 16, from his same group had exposed his genital area to him while in the room.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Southwest Key Hacienda del Sol

**Date of the Incident:** 10/30/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/30/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client's mother stated that client was forced to sell gum and candy in COO by a woman who was responsible for caring for the client and her younger brother. Mother could not divulge details of this in regards to timeframes etc or how she became aware of this information.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Southwest Key Lighthouse

**Date of the Incident:** 10/30/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/30/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On the above date and time, client disclosed to Clinician LMSW, he was forced by unknown individuals to cross drugs to AZ, U.S. Client reported that on or about 10/17/2014, he was in Mexico, waiting to complete his journey to the U.S. He stated he was walking out of the hotel where he was staying to go buy beans and tortillas. He indicated as he left the building, a white car with two men came up on the side of him and asked him if he was to which he replied he was. He stated that one of the men got out of the car and approached him in an aggressive manner, grabbed him by the front part of the neck his shirt, and pushed him harshly up against a tree, causing him to deeply scratch his left shoulder. He stated that stated the man pointed a gun at his head and made him get into the car and told him they were taking him to Client stated that the car arrived at an undisclosed location where he observed men putting large duffle bags into another car. He stated he was there for approximately one half hour when they began driving again. He stated they arrived in at an unknown location. He stated he was told that he would be carrying a backpack full of marijuana across the border to the U.S. Client stated he told the men that he did not want to cross any drugs. He stated the man if he didn't carry the drugs he would kill him. He stated they also provided him with a backpack full of food, and two gallons of water. Client indicated he informed the man that was directing him and five other

adult males that the load was too heavy and he could not carry it. He stated the man yelled at him "como que no puedes! Si no lo haces te disparo en cada rodilla haber si haci lo haces!" (What do you mean you can't? If you don't, I will shoot you in each knee to see if you'll then do it!). Client stated he and seven other male adults walked for five days through the desert into Arizona through an unknown location. He stated they would begin at 5 a.m. and stop at 6 p.m. and sleep through the night. He stated it took them another three days to reach Tucson, AZ. He stated he was unaware if the men he walked with had any weapons but stated that two of the men had knives to cut rope. He stated he was not threatened by any of the men he walked with during the time they were crossing the drugs across the desert and does not know what would have happened if he would have run. He stated he was told before he began his journey that he was not to leave the backpack undelivered under any circumstances or they would kill him. Client stated that on the third day of their walk toward Tucson, border patrol officers came upon the group in quads and apprehended him and the group. Client reported he spent one night, was treated well overall, and taken to a "carcel" where he was separated from the adult community, fed, and treated well overall. He stated that on the following day, he spent one night in another "carcel", was treated well overall, was separated from the adult community, fed, and treated well overall.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Downtown Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 10/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/30/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor has made numerous inappropriate sexual gestures and comments towards female staff. Minor took the sleeve of his sweatshirt and hit a female staff on the buttocks. When staff confronted minor he responded that he did it because he was curious about her body. The staff informed the minor that this was inappropriate and he responded by stating that she didn't even understand Spanish. The staff responded that she does understand Spanish and the minor responded and asked if she knew what "chinga tu madre"(fuck your mother) and "come mierda" (eat shit) meant. The minor then took his belt end and put it between the legs of a doll as if it was a penis and thrust it towards the female staff and made grunting noises. Minor then stated "Me gusta tu" (I like you) several times despite the staff stating its inappropriate. In a separate situation, the minor received a banana for snack at which time he put the snack into his pocket and positioned it so it made his pants protrude in the crotch area. Minor then looked at a female staff member and said "oh mi banana" (oh my banana). Minor was redirected and stopped the inappropriate behavior.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Youth for Tomorrow

**Date of the Incident:** 09/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/31/14

**Summary of SIR:**

She reported that while she was kidnapped by \_\_\_\_\_ members during her journey to the US, she was forced to cook and clean for 8 days.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** NOVA Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 10/31/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/31/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While performing the interview for the UAC assessment, \_\_\_\_\_ disclosed to CM that he had been raped by a group of eight men during his journey to the U.S. He had been riding the train through Mexico when a group of eight men boarded the train and requested the money of everyone riding that car. \_\_\_\_\_ had no money. Therefore they took him off the train and raped him.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** St PJs Children Home

**Date of the Incident:** 10/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/30/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

shared with the clinician his love interest for two female staff members. He reported that he had asked a team leader what would happen if he fell in love with staff. reported that staff told him it was not something he could pursue. stated that he developed these feelings for staff because he falls in love easily, and then asked if a transfer to another facility was an option. reported he would consider a transfer to avoid seeing these two staff members, adding that he rarely sees one of them and identifying the other as a transporter. reported that he feels bad because he cannot act on his feelings and has thought of the consequences. He reported that he will not act on his feelings for staff, however does not like that he cannot pursue this love interest.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 10/31/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/31/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During his journey to the US, reported that in Mexico, one of the individuals in his group attempted to touch his genitals reported having woken up and moved to another area of the room. denied any physical harm.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Downtown

**Date of the Incident:** 10/30/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 10/30/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On October 30th, 2014 minor was put onto a behavior contract for a series of incidents that occurred over the last 10 days. Please see details below: October 20, 2014: At 12:30pm, minor used a folded piece of paper to make a sexual motion towards program teacher, s backside while she was faced the other direction. Youth Care Worker edirected minor immediately by stating, "Fabrizio, que estas haciendo? Sabes que falta de respeto es eso, no hagas eso." (Fabrizio, what are you doing? Do you know how disrespectful that is? Don't do that." At 12:40pm, Youth Care Worker spoke with minor one-on-one to further explain the program rules prohibiting disrespectful language and sexual behaviors towards others. October 28, 2014: At 1:35pm, minor made a sexual gesture in reference to program teacher, while she was speaking to the class. Youth Care Worker immediately removed minor from the classroom into the hallway and explained to minor that his action was inappropriate. Minor apologized to Youth Care Worker At 3:15pm, minor spoke with Milieu Supervisor from the doorway of his room about his use of a rude tone towards Youth Care Workers during lunch time. Milieu Supervisor informed minor that he would need to write a thinking paper to process his actions, and minor became visibly angry and was pacing in his room. Minor stated that he did not have a problem with how he spoke to staff during lunch, therefore, speaking with Milieu Supervisor was a waste of his time. Minor walked towards her very closely and said that he was not going to do the paper and that Milieu Supervisor hould leave him alone. Milieu Supervisor moved away from minor, said she would give him space, and Milieu Supervisor repeated that minor was required to complete the thinking paper. At 3:45pm, Milieu Supervisor spoke to minor and explained that the thinking paper was to be done before minor could use program electronics. Minor stated the he had not been disrespectful to anyone and said, "vale la verga" (it's worth cock).

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Raymondville

**Date of the Incident:** 10/31/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/01/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On October 31, 2014 at approximately 5:55pm, Direct Care Worker, [redacted] advised Shift Lead, [redacted], during scheduled phone calls, UAC [redacted], was speaking with his aunt [redacted] who reported UAC [redacted] wife [redacted] in home country receive a phone call asking for money in the amount of \$1,500 for his release. UAC [redacted] reported aunt [redacted] denied knowing name or number of person requesting the money and advised she would be speaking with [redacted] to obtain more information and asked to be called on 11/1/2014 for further clarification. Shift Lead [redacted] spoke with [redacted] and advised no money is to be requested of any youth nor family during youth's stay. [redacted] understood all information discussed and was advised assigned case manager would be notified. At this time, UAC [redacted] has no viable sponsor.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Rio Grande

**Date of the Incident:** 09/29/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/01/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While Case Manager was conducting Intake with minor, she reported that she was sexually abuse by two unknown males on September 27, 2014 in some part in Mexico. She added that she had made a police report and was then taken to a shelter where she was examined and provided with an counselor. Minor became emotional and decided not to proceed on discussing this matter. She was advised that the program will take care of her and for her to stay calm. Case manager referred her to Clinician on duty in order to follow up with minor. CPS REPORT WAS COMPLETED ON NOVEMBER 1, 2014 AT 11:54 A.M.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Rocio Herrera  
November 09 – November 15, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

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**Total Number of Major SIRs: 41; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 484; Number of SIRs for FY15: 3046**

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Lemon Grove

**Date of the Incident:** 07/31/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/09/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed that towards the end of July she was raped by two gang members as a consequence of not joining their gang. As a result, the minor is now approximately 14 weeks (3 months) pregnant. She continued to be harassed by the men in the weeks following the event. For this reason, the minor and the family decided that the minor should travel to the US to live with her maternal aunt in the San Francisco area.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Lincoln Hall

**Date of the Incident:** 10/27/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/10/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor made inappropriate comments towards female staff. During class minor refused to perform any work but would smile and leer at the teacher making her feel uncomfortable. also made a comment to one of the Treatment Environment staff asking if her breasts were real.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff

**Facility:** Camino A Casa Bay City Michigan

**Date of the Incident:** 11/07/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/10/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

On 11/7/14 at approximately 4:00pm, stated that he was kicked by a staff member earlier in the day. stated that due to being kicked, his lower right back hurt. The team called Child Protective Services the day that the incident occurred. The child was interviewed by the police and by CPS the day of the incident. The incident report states that a "3200 was called in at 5:20 pm." This may not have been clear in the initial submission; however a 3200 is a report of suspected abuse or neglect. The State of Michigan/Bureau of Child and Adult Licensing was also contacted regarding the incident and they will be doing a separate investigation. There is videotape of interactions between the youth and the staff member shortly prior to the incident in the public areas of the house; however the kick itself is not captured on video tape, as it occurred in the bedroom. 11/14/14 Update: Child's unverified father (sponsor) was informed of the incident on 11/8/14. Reunification of the child occurred on 11/13/14. In addition to the CPS and police interviews and notification, the program also notified the State of Michigan Bureau of Child and Adult Licensing (BCAL) regarding the incident. BCAL will conduct a separate investigation due to the nature of the incident. The video footage has been viewed by CPS and by the police as a part of their investigation. CPS conducted additional interviews with staff at the program on 11/13/14. CPS has not made a determination regarding whether or not the staff member will be substantiated for abuse of a child. The staff member remains suspending pending the outcome of the CPS and internal investigation.



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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Union County Juvenile Detention Center

**Date of the Incident:** 11/10/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/10/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The above minor exhibited inappropriate sexually behavior towards a female custody staff officer. Incident report states that the UAC asked JDO. for a pencil and when it was given to him he attempted to touch her hand. After he finished with the pencil the UAC stood at the line by the Touch Screen Panel and asked the JDO "why do your pants fit like that?" The JDO ignored him and the UAC proceeded to state: today is my last day and before I go am I gonna grab a hand full of that shit!" JDO asked the minor to stop touching her and being inappropriate, he then requested to go into his room and asked to be woken up at 8:10am.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Heartland CRC

**Date of the Incident:** 11/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/11/14

**Summary of SIR Addendum:**

During an individual clinical session, the minor disclosed being robbed at gun point and being forced to carry Marijuana across the U.S.-Mexico border. The minor reported that after being held a gun point, they continued their journey to the U.S. via train and somewhere in were stopped and deboarded the train once again. The minor stated that this time they were stopped by 5 men from the or artel. The minor stated that they were armed with guns, and were informed once they deboarded the train that they would need to comply with the men or they were be killed or kidnapped. The minor reported that the group deboarded was approximately he, his father, and about 7 other adult migrants. The minor stated they were told at this point that they would have to carry drugs across the border. The minor denied being told at this point where they would be going, but stated that he felt that he needed to comply otherwise he or his father would be killed. The minor stated that he was only sure that they would cross the border, and would hopefully be released once they complied with the men's request. The minor stated that they were taken to a house nearby, where they were kept for approximately 3 days. The minor stated that they were fed twice a day and left to sleep on the floor. The minor indicated that they were mostly left alone for most of the day and just provided with food. UAC denied any maltreatment while in the house. The minor stated that on the last day they woke up at 4am were they began to prepare for the journey to cross the U.S.-Mexico border. The minor stated that they were provided with some food and water to pack, and he was provided with a green/black backpack. The minor was instructed to pack 50lbs of marijuana in plastic bags into his backpack. The minor complied with the request, and stated that he felt very scared but knew he had no other choice. The minor reported that they were then told that they would be crossing the desert. The Cartel members informed the group that they had snipers watching the group from a distance and that they would be killed if they appeared to struggle at all. The minor stated that he, his father, and the group of 7 migrants carrying drugs then traveled with one member of the Cartel as a guide. The minor stated that the Cartel member had a gun on him, and instructed the group to follow him. The group was told that they would be traveling for approximately 6 days until they arrived to Arizona. The minor stated they would stop to eat and sleep. The minor reported that he was glad his father traveled with him, and was supportive to him during the journey. The minor reported that his father would help carry his heavy backpack when the minor seemed tired. UAC reported that on the 5th day of walking in the desert, they were apprehended by Immigration.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** Seton Home

**Date of the Incident:** 11/10/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/11/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Resident disclosed during initial clinical assessment on 11/10/14 that she is currently 3 months pregnant. The pregnancy was not the result of a consensual relationship. The resident disclosed that she was sexually assaulted in home country of Honduras in a "callejón" or back alley 3 months ago by an unknown perpetrator. The resident denied knowing the identity of her attacker and described him as being older than her and a gang member. Resident disclosed being held down by her arms, assaulted, then threatened by the perpetrator. Resident was told by the perpetrator that if she said something, he

would go after her family. The resident denied having reported the assault to the authorities. Resident also denied having any bruises or bleeding and did not seek medical treatment. The resident reported telling her sister about the assault once she thought she might be pregnant. Resident disclosed that her sister took her to the doctor where it was confirmed that she was pregnant and that the doctor reported that everything was fine with the baby. Resident disclosed that she was given prenatal vitamins and continued to take them until her journey to the United States. The resident reported that she sister told her father and mother about the pregnancy. The resident disclosed that she came to the United States to reunify with her mother who resides in Fort Worth, Texas. The resident reported that she paid for her trip by saving the money her mother would send her on a weekly basis. The resident reported traveling by bus with several other people, stopping at various homes to stay the night. Resident reported that her trip took approximately 20 days and denied any significant incident occurring on the journey. Resident also denied having to work at any point in her journey. The clinician reported the incident to the Department of Family Protective Service on 11-11-14; Confirmation Number:

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** St. PJs Children's Home

**Date of the Incident:** 11/10/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/11/14

**Summary of SIR Addendum:**

Licensing investigator conducted a collateral interview with the minor to complete a pending investigation involving a peer, On 11/10/2014, the UACs were randomly selected to meet with TDFPS Licensing Investigator, as a collateral interview regarding a reportable incident involving a peer. expressed no concerns or issues following the interview.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** St. PJs Children's Home

**Date of the Incident:** 11/10/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/11/14

**Summary of SIR Addendum:**

Clinician was notified by CM that CM had spoken with minor's sponsor earlier in the day. CM reported that sponsor sounded concerned about a conversation she had with earlier in the day. Sponsor reported that stated that he was having problems with his roommate but she did not provide any further details to CM. Later that day on 11/10/2014, Clinician met with to address his phone call to sponsor and any problems he is having with another minor. reported that another minor in his dorm, not his roommate, has been picking on him and making inappropriate sexual comments towards him about his female cousin who is also in care. reported that minor has been telling that he is going to make his cousin "happy" and he is going to make her "choriar sangre" (make her bleed). also reported that as been staring at s cousin and following her while they leave the cafeteria. eported that has been picking on him /calling him names and threatened to "knock him out in a few seconds" if he says anything to staff. Iso reported that minor and minor's friend "stare at him" when they see each other at school. reported that minor made physical gesture of cracking his knuckles like he was going to hurt when he saw him at school the other day. stated that both minors are not in his classroom at school. reported that this has been going on since Thursday of last week but he did not say anything because he feared it would affect his case and he would be here longer. also reported fear that minor would hurt him if he spoke up. eported that attempted to "trip" him during lunch at the cafeteria the other day causing him to drop his juice. Clinician assured that incident would not result in negative consequences for in.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** CC Boystown

**Date of the Incident:** 06/01/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported she was sexually abused in Mexico by a guide during her journey. Minor stated she left her home in Guatemala on October 5, 2014 with a paid guide and arrived in Mexico on October 12, 2014. Per minor, she was handed off to another guide once in who was responsible for crossing them into U.S. Territory. Per minor, the

guide she was handed over kept them in a bodega from October 12, 2014- November 7, 2014. Minor reported during this time her and other were taken into the mountains and left there for 5 days at a time with no food. Minor also stated during her stay in this bodega she was raped and threatened by one of the guides. Minor stated her sister contacted the first paid guide out of concern she had not seen her sister and he contacted the other guide and demanded she be set free. Minor's sexual abuse was initially disclosed to \_\_\_\_\_ and was reported by \_\_\_\_\_ on 11/12/14.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Bethany LIRS

**Date of the Incident:** 11/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

In addition, today BCS therapist met with UAC at FV. At that time UAC disclosed to therapist that she did not want to go home to the foster home. UAC stated that her foster mother is "mean" and one time "grabbed my arm and pushed me out the door to go outside to play when I didn't want to play outside". BCS therapist stated that UAC reported that she did not suffer any injury or marks on her skin from this interaction.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Heartland SCiy

**Date of the Incident:** 11/08/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/08/14

**Summary of SIR:**

At approximately 2:30am, case manager \_\_\_\_\_ came onto the boys' floor and youth \_\_\_\_\_ immediately came to him upset. \_\_\_\_\_ did not understand what \_\_\_\_\_ as saying and asked staff member \_\_\_\_\_ o translate. \_\_\_\_\_ and AG began speaking loudly and \_\_\_\_\_ requested that the information be translated. \_\_\_\_\_ stated that the minor wanted to speak with program supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ was not on shift so \_\_\_\_\_ asked \_\_\_\_\_ if he would like to speak with \_\_\_\_\_ stated that he would like to speak with case manager \_\_\_\_\_ and they met in the medical office. \_\_\_\_\_ reported to \_\_\_\_\_ that he was upset because at approximately 2:00am, he woke up in his top bunk because he felt someone touching his stomach. \_\_\_\_\_ reported that his shirt was pushed up and \_\_\_\_\_ had his hand on \_\_\_\_\_ stomach. \_\_\_\_\_ tated that he said "Why are you touching me?" repeatedly to \_\_\_\_\_ who just walked out of the room. \_\_\_\_\_ reported feeling unsafe around \_\_\_\_\_ at this point. Staff called manager \_\_\_\_\_ nd took \_\_\_\_\_ aside to ask what had happened. \_\_\_\_\_ reported that he had been doing room checks and noticed that the curtain was missing from the window in \_\_\_\_\_ s room. \_\_\_\_\_ reported that he had been feeling around in the bed looking for the missing curtain and his hand accidentally touched \_\_\_\_\_ stomach and he apologized. Staff \_\_\_\_\_ called manager \_\_\_\_\_ who arrived on campus. Staff \_\_\_\_\_ was sent to another building to do file reviews while the situation was sorted out. Manager \_\_\_\_\_ met with \_\_\_\_\_ and all staff witnesses. Manager \_\_\_\_\_ notified director \_\_\_\_\_ and then called the DCFS hotline to report what \_\_\_\_\_ was alleging. The call was assigned report \_\_\_\_\_ but the report was not taken by the hotline. Staff \_\_\_\_\_ arrived on site to assess the minor's mental health, provided support and addressed minor's safety concerns. \_\_\_\_\_ commended minor for his strength in notifying staff of his feelings and seeking out proper strategies with coping. \_\_\_\_\_ reassured minor that he was safe at the program and that staff member \_\_\_\_\_ would work at another program while minor was placed at the program. Minor was able to decrease his anxiety and return to his bedroom to sleep.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Downtown Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 11/09/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/11/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On Sunday, November 09, around 6pm during Dinner time minor \_\_\_\_\_ asked YCW \_\_\_\_\_ "Te gustas salchichas?" (Do you like sausages?). YCW \_\_\_\_\_ told minor \_\_\_\_\_ that she would not answer minor \_\_\_\_\_ question. Minor \_\_\_\_\_ began explaining how the question was not dirty by saying, "a mi, me gusta salchichas con pan" (I like sausage with bread). Minor \_\_\_\_\_ then continued his conversation with two other residents; YCW \_\_\_\_\_ did not understand what \_\_\_\_\_ was talking about to the other minors. However, YCW \_\_\_\_\_ overheard the comments being made by minor \_\_\_\_\_ to the other two youth and reported to YCW \_\_\_\_\_ that minor \_\_\_\_\_ stated that he would hurt her by having sex with her so hard that it would put her in a wheel chair. YCW \_\_\_\_\_ immediately asked minor \_\_\_\_\_ to stop talking like that.

Then Minor stated that, "Ella va a necesitar una pampier" (she would need a diaper). Minor then said that he would hurt her so bad that there would be no need for diapers.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** St. PJ's Children's Home

**Date of the Incident:** 10/10/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/10/14

**Summary of SIR Addendum:**

At Intake reported crossing a group of people near Laredo, TX on 11/08/2014. reported first crossing a group of people in October 2014, but that he was apprehended and sent back to his HC of Mexico. reported that on 1/08/2014 went looking for him while he was working and demanded that he cross another group of people to the United States. eported telling them that he didn't want to, but that they then threatened to hurt him and his family if he didn't do what they asked of him. reported that the men took him to the river where he then crossed a group of people. reported that he does not want to be in placement and for Voluntary Departure.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** Crittenton Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 11/11/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/11/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During initial intake, the minor reported she is 8 months pregnant. UAC reports that her mother did not know that she was coming to the United States. UAC reported that she was raped by 5 men in 9 different occasions in a time frame of two months. She reported that every time she got raped it was after school. She also reported that they put her to sleep and she would wake up in a motel. The UAC reported not to know any of the men but she reported that all the males appeared to be adults.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** SWK Lemon Grove

**Date of the Incident:** 07/31/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/09/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed that towards the end of July she was raped by two gang members as a consequence of not joining their gang. As a result, the minor received an ultrasound and her pregnancy is confirmed at 13 weeks. The minor is now approximately 14 weeks pregnant. She continued to be harassed by the men in the weeks following the event. For this reason, the minor and the family decided that the minor should travel to the US to live with her maternal aunt in the San Francisco area.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** St. PJs Children's Home

**Date of the Incident:** 11/10/14

**UAC:**

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**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/11/14

**Summary of SIR Addendum:**

The clinician followed up with in regards to another UAC's statement which involved making threats to hurt the UAC, and making inappropriate sexual remarks about the UAC's female cousin, who is also in care. The clinician, was informed by clinician that his client reported that had threatened to beat him and had made offensive comments towards his female cousin, who is also in care. The clinician followed up with in session, in regards to these reports. initial reaction was that he already knew what the clinician was going to address with him in session. smiled and stated that he figured it out yesterday when he noticed that the clinician, had talked to the other boy. also stated that prior to that occurring; the boy had warned him that he would confess all these things to his clinician so that ould leave him alone. stated that he was not sure exactly what this boy was referring to since he did not do anything wrong. added that he always thought they were in good terms since they shared a shake yesterday evening. was asked to share his side of

the story and what he thought the child reported to his clinician. stated that he is not sure what happened, as they talked before and everything was fine in his eyes. He stated that there was an incident about 5 or 6 days ago that occurred while they were in the cafeteria line. reported he was waiting to get a fork from the utensil dispenser when the other boy cut in front of him and spun the dispenser so that could not get his fork. stated that he asked him why he did that and told him to wait his turn. He stated that the boy was rude and did not listen and became angry and kicked his leg. reported he did not pay mind to the incident and continued on his way. reported that since then the boy has been giving him nasty looks and bothers him. eported that the boy also tells him that he does not want near his cousin. denied making any offensive or sexual comments towards this boy's cousin. He stated that the only comment he made was that she was not good looking. stated that he thinks this boy is making stories up, since he did not like that disrespected his cousin by calling her ugly. reported that he feels this boy's cousin likes him, since he catches her staring at him. reported he once said "esta bitcha esta horrible" and since then the boy has been telling him to leave her alone. denied making that other statements that he would make his cousin "chorriar sangre". reported that he has tried to leave the boy alone, however it seems to him that he always wants to pick a fight. stated that when they would shower, he would tell that he thought he was tough only because he has a tattoo on his back. reported that they also fought over whose turn it was to play video games even though the rule is that the winner will continue to play the game. reported that he never wanted any problems with him and now feels uncomfortable being around him. stated that he has done his best to maintain his distance from him, to avoid further problems, however thought that this was not an issue since the boy continues to talk to him. reported that he is already doing things to avoid him, by showering in different bathrooms, always staying at the end of the line while he remains in the front as the go to school or the cafeteria. He also reported that they are in different classrooms and do not share a dorm room.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Conroe

**Date of the Incident:** 11/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

According to an incident report by (staff) "At this time all clients were walking to the diner room, because at this time clients going to PE class, S. R. C. told me (mire teacher a I asked the client what happened and he told me that client show his private parts also the client say that it was not the first time that he showed it to him when they were in line. I call by the radio to shift leader and informed the incident shift leader take care the situation. Shift Leader took both clients apart to the group with youth care worker o process with them. During process tated that showed his private part two times to him when they were in line: one time going to class and one going to dining room. didn't say anything during process. Also During process tated that the first time that he showed it to him he let the other client know he is going to reported but the other one told him don't say anything." After the incident report was done and staffed with case manager and the rest of the treatment team. It was decided that (clinician) and I would staff these incidents with the client. While speaking with the client, he stated that the incident was just a joke among friends. He says the other client had done it to him as well at different times. Since the incident has become more severe since starting the Zoloft, we asked him if he has been having any side effects since taking the medication and he denied any. We explained to him that the medicine can cause him to feel emasculate and lose hormones. We also tried to find a way to resolve the behavior issues and he could only come up with maybe some alone time and doing puzzles. We explained to the client we would talk to our treatment team and try to come up with the best situation for him to stay at this shelter. According to Mrs. Assistant Program Director, the video tape does not show any type of exposure. It shows the Client turning around then making a face and getting out of line to call over Mrs. The incident report states it happened around the shift leader office but the video shows the incident by the restrooms.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** IES Foster Hidalgo

**Date of the Incident:** 11/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 11/12/14, Mr. \_\_\_\_\_, the sponsor for \_\_\_\_\_ (age 12) and \_\_\_\_\_, contacted IES Hidalgo Foster via phone at around 8:30am. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ stated he had received a call at around 8:00am from an attorney who stated his name was \_\_\_\_\_. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ voiced that Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ asked him if he was \_\_\_\_\_ father and that he would need to send him a payment of \$850.00 for his daughters to be released from "custody", flown to him, and be granted a 1-3 year permission to remain in the U.S. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ stated that Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ told him that \_\_\_\_\_ was fine and was currently being detained. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ stated he suspected something was wrong when Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ told him \_\_\_\_\_ entered the U.S. through a different area than were she entered. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ voiced he did not recall what place Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ told him \_\_\_\_\_ allegedly entered through. Since Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ did not trust Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ he told Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ he would call back to arrange for the payment. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ then contacted IES Hidalgo Foster to ask about this and Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ was advised to disregard that call since his daughter is under ORR care and the process of reunification does not include attorneys asking for a payment so children can be released from custody nor granted a 1-3 year permission to remain in the U.S. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ stated he wanted to know more information about the person who contacted him and stated he would "follow along" next time he spoke to Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ oiced he understood the reunification process and stated he would not be making any payments to Mr. \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Children's Village

**Date of the Incident:** 11/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor met with Case Manager yesterday to discuss and review any last questions that the minor have had in regards to foster care and to say "good-be" and wish her good luck. Minor gave Case Manager a note that was in a sealed envelope. Case Manager stated that he left the letter in his desk and did not open it until today. The letter stated the following: "Solo quiero que sepa que desde que lo vi la primera vez me gusto mucho y pues ahora yo se que por ahora no se puede. Pero talvez mas adeande nos volvamos aver." (I just want to tell you that from the first time I saw you, I liked you a lot. But I know that at this time it can't be. Maybe one day in the future we will see each other).

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** SWK Campbell

**Date of the Incident:** 11/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While (I) YCW was on 1:1 supervision Client #1 \_\_\_\_\_ pproached me and stated that he had something to say to (Me) YCW Client continued with "La morriya aqueya la Hermana del Salvadoreyo me dio un recadito, que decia que yo le gustaba mucho y que queria que le aga el amor, y que solo aga fuerte y apasionado" "yo no quiero broncas con esa morra esta bien morriya solo tiene 12anos y yo no quiero meterme en problemas por esas tipo de notas" Client was very expressive that he did not want to entertaining that type of interaction one She was only 12yrs old and that he did not want to get in trouble for those type of notes. Client also mentioned that he ripped the note in to very little pieces so that no one would see, but that he decided to inform Me so that if she send him another one that he would give it to a staff. SL \_\_\_\_\_ was informed & I.R was completed by \_\_\_\_\_. When clinician followed up with client, client reported the information above in incident report. Client disclosed that UAC \_\_\_\_\_ approached him and requested to borrow the client's notebook and client agreed. Per client, UAC returned notebook and informed client that a note was in the notebook. Client reported that he read the note which stated that the UAC liked the client along with other inappropriate comments. When clinician inquired about the inappropriate comments, client shared that he was embarrassed to share: however, he had already shared the comment with the above YCW. Client further disclosed that upon reading the letter he decided to rip the note

and throw it in the trash as he did not want other to see it and cause a misunderstand as the UAC was approximately thirteen years old.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Center – Staff Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 11/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC reports that she is a 17 year old female from Guatemala. She reports having a seventh grade education. She identifies as being a lesbian and does not have a religious affiliation. UAC reports that she grew up off and on at her mother's house. She reports various stays in group- orphanage homes, as well as living on the street. She reports that she has always had a volatile relationship with her mother. She states that her mother has always verbally abused her. She remembers many times being told that she was never wanted should have been aborted, that she was hated etc. UAC states that her mother frequently hit her with metal rods, electric cords, and once chained her to her bed. She states that she has known she was a lesbian since a young age and has never been accepted as such by her mother. UAC reports an emotionally absent father and no problems with her siblings. There were neighbor women who would try and step in and try to help UAC with her mother at times to no avail. UAC reports that she has repeatedly been raped by her maternal uncle since the age of eight. She also reports that on occasion he threatened to hurt her sister if she did not let him have his way with her. UAC states that her mother does not believe this and says she is lying. UAC also report that a 17 year female cousin invited her to become a prostitute and taught her how to rob the men she served as well. UAC states that she had been told that since her uncle had used her no one would want her as she was used so she might as well use her body for money. She states that she prostituted herself out from the ages of 8 to 14 at which time she was still attending school and living at home. UAC reports that her mother did not provide for her and so she used her money for food and clothing. UAC also claims that she experimented with alcohol, marijuana, and cocaine from ages 8 to 14. UAC states that at age 14 a School teacher became involved and confronted UAC's mother. UAC reports that she was sent to live in a group home -

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Casa Antigua

**Date of the Incident:** 11/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On November 12, 2014, during a phone call with client's biological mother, case manager overheard client explaining to her mother the reason for coming to the United States. Client stated that she came to the United States due to a family member offering the father money for her to cross drugs into the U.S. Client also disclosed to the mother that her father was also offered money to have sexual relationships.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** MercyFirst

**Date of the Incident:** 10/01/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported her paternal aunt whom lived near to the minor's home would force minor to clean minor's aunt's house on a weekly basis. Minor reported that her paternal aunt would threaten minor, if it wasn't done minor's aunt will tell minor's paternal grandmother to hit her the same day. Minor reported she was doing it against her will but cleaned aunt's home to avoid getting physically abused when minor would arrive to her home in COO.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Pleasant Hill

**Date of the Incident:** 11/12/13

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/11/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Client reported last year his father sold a piece of land in Bangladesh to send him to Brazil due to death threats received in home country. Client reported his father made the travel arrangements and he denied the cost of his travel to Brazil. Client reported his father gave him \$300 USD on the day he left home to cover some living expenses. Client reported he left his home country on November of 2013 and he traveled alone by plane to Brazil. Client reported he planned on living with a family friend (agent) to continue his education while in Brazil. However, client reported the agent who was planning to enroll client in school refused and began pressuring client to work to pay for his food/shelter. Client reported he was called "lazy" for not wanting to work and the agent did not want to support client's wishes to go to school. Client denied ever being threatened or physically harmed. Client reported in order to pay his share of his living expenses, he began working from 11/2013 to 5/2014 at a local chicken slaughter house (killing chickens and packaging for delivery). Client reported working five days a week (Tuesdays to Saturdays) from 5:00am to 3:30pm and he was given breaks for lunch/rest time. Client reported he was given Sundays and Mondays off and he spend this time with the local boys to explore the town (playing/going to parks/buying food). Client reported during this time he was treated okay by the agent and he was provided with several meals a day. However, client reported he was not allowed to contact his family or go to school while he was staying in Brazil. In addition, client reported he was earning \$300 USD per month but he had to pay the agent 200 Brazilian currency (\$78.32 USD) each month for food/shelter. Client reported he confided with his friend, (who lived next door) the hardship he endured and how he was not given the opportunity to go to school. Client reported Carlos would assist him (without receiving payment) to come to the U.S. Client planned to reunite with a family friend in New York. Client reported he used the money he saved from his job to fund his journey and he spent around \$600 USD. Client reported around May of 2014 he and traveled by bus/taxi for 1 day to Peru and they stayed in a hotel for 15-20 days. Client then traveled by bus/taxi/car for 1 day to Ecuador and he stayed in a hotel for 1 day. Client then traveled by bus/taxi to Colombia and walked 2 hours to Panama. Client then traveled by car to Costa Rica to Nicaragua to El Salvador to Guatemala to Mexico. Client reported left him in Mexico. Client reported he stayed 34 days in a Mexican camp and he was given documents to continue the rest of his journey. Client reported he traveled by taxi to get to border and he traveled by foot to cross the border where he was shortly detained by border patrol on 11/5/2014.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** SWK Rio Grande

**Date of the Incident:** 11/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed that on September 27, 2014 during her journey, she was touched inappropriately by a Honduran immigrant who was about 40-years-old. This occurred in a bodega in while laying down to go to sleep in a room with four other immigrants that she traveled with. She states that she was lying in a bed and the male subject lye on a mattress on the floor perpendicular to her. She noticed that the guide in charge of her group left the room for no apparent reason. It was then that the subject got up from his mattress and began touching her legs by sticking his hands through the bottom of her pants. He was only able to reach her thighs when minor ran out of the room to tell another male immigrant. They both then went to tell the main guide in charge about what had happened. By that time, the male subject had left the bodega and the guide stated that if he returned, they would "tablear" him or hit him with boards as a consequence for what he did. The minor was then put in a room with only females and the offender did not return. Minor is certain that the man's intention was to touch her genitals and possibly rape her.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** IES Foster Hidalgo

**Date of the Incident:** 11/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 11/12/14, Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ sponsor for \_\_\_\_\_ (14 yr. old female), stated that she had received a call approximately 9:00 am on 11/12/14 from someone asking for funds in order to release her children from custody as they were currently apprehended and get a 1-3 year permit for them to stay in the United States. Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ stated the call was from a man who identified himself as \_\_\_\_\_ and stated that he was an attorney. As per Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ asked for funds in the amount of \$850 per child in order to offer services and asked that the money be sent through Money Gram. Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ told him she would talk to her family and give him a call back later. Before ending the call the person on the line gave a phone number of \_\_\_\_\_ for her to call back when she was ready to send the funds. IES Hidalgo Lead Case Manager \_\_\_\_\_ spoke to Mrs. Bonilla via phone and informed the Sponsor not to send any money to other programs or individuals calling her regarding her children pending reunification as it may be a scam. It was also explained to Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ that the only fees that she would be expected to pay would be those of the flight costs for her children once the case has been approved by ORR and the children are ready to be reunified with her. Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ stated that she understood and would contact IES Hidalgo if she had any other calls from individuals requesting money or if she had any questions or concerns.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** NY Foundling

**Date of the Incident:** 11/09/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported that while in detention, he experienced verbal abuse. According to minor an ICE official interrogated minor demanding that minor tell the "truth" about his age and that he was really 20 years old instead of 17 years old. Minor stated that the officer was wearing a green uniform. According to minor, the officer continued to make verbal threats to minor stating that because he was lying about his age that he would be deported. Minor stated feeling scared about the constant interrogations, but knowing that he was not lying, kept him hopeful. Minor did not report any nightmares or flashbacks as a result of the trauma experienced. No safety concerns at this time.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** IES Foster Hidalgo

**Date of the Incident:** 11/09/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 11/12/14, the assigned clinician met with \_\_\_\_\_ age 17, to complete her initial assessment questionnaire. When the child was asked if she had ever been threatened, \_\_\_\_\_ disclosed that when she was detained by immigration that they threatened to take her son, \_\_\_\_\_ (also a UAC at Hidalgo Foster Care Program), away from her and threatened to deport her. The child was unable to recall the station and/or city that this verbal threat took place.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** BCFS Chavaneaux

**Date of the Incident:** 11/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During an interview with clinician, \_\_\_\_\_ disclosed information that in \_\_\_\_\_ TX during his apprehension with U.S. Border Patrol minor was pointed at with a firearm by a border patrol officer. Minor reported that he was not harmed and he did not respond aggressively towards the officer. Wilson reported that he was afraid that the officer was going to accidentally shoot his firearm

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** IES Foster Hidalgo

**Date of the Incident:** 11/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

When [redacted] was asked if she has ever been touched in a way that made her feel uncomfortable, she disclosed that the male guide that helped her travel through Mexico touched her private areas while riding the bus. The child did not know the name and age of the male guide.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 11/9/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/13/14

**Summary of SIR Addendum:**

The cellphone that was confiscated from [redacted] had inappropriate pictures. The pictures found on the cell phone consisted of minor posing provocatively in her undergarments. Some of the pictures were of minor only and other pictures included minor and another UAC who aged out of our program in October. There was no nudity involved and the minors were not placed at risk. [redacted] denied sharing the pictures with anyone and did not upload them to any social media networks. [redacted] was very resentful as she did not mean any harm by her actions. Case manager conducted a home visit and met with [redacted] foster mother provided case manager with the confiscated cellphone and inappropriate pictures were found. She informed case manager she is aware she broke the rules and understands there might be a consequence for her actions. According to [redacted] the phone was not activated and would only take pictures and use it to connect to Facebook. [redacted] denied sharing the pictures with anyone. At this time, it has been decided a behavioral contract will not be completed as this is [redacted] first incident. BCFS and Foster Parents will continue to monitor her behavior. Clinician and Case manager will follow up with her to address her behavior. Case manager requested her foster parents to continue to monitor her behavior for any mood changes and increase supervision while at the home. Foster parents will report any pertinent information to BCFS staff. Pro Bono attorney will also be notified.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Staff Secure (Paso)

**Date of the Incident:** 11/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The following information has been gathered during two clinical sessions. Minor [redacted] disclosed he was kidnapped by members of the cartel who obligated him to work for them as a foot guide. [redacted] stated that around April 2014, he was working in a small alcohol dispensary when some people came in trucks, beat him and obligated him to enter in the truck. He stated he was taken to a house where other two people were. Minor stated he was tied, as well as the other people. Minor reported that one of the people who kidnapped him accused them to being thieves. He said his wife indicated they were the ones who broke into her house and stole things from it. Minor stated he never stole anything from anyone, and did not even know that person or his wife. Minor stated they did not believe what he said and told him he was going to be killed. Minor said during three days he was tied all the time, severely beaten, kicked, and was not provided with any food or water. [redacted] reported on the third day the people who kidnapped him brought two other people, who were also accused of being thieves as well, and they killed them in front of him by shooting them in their heads. Minor said he was told that he was going to be killed like that too. Minor stated that one of the people put a gun in his head, and he was going to be shot, but at that moment this person received a phone call saying that there were no more foot guides available to smuggle people. Minor stated he and the other two people were told that they could save their lives if they worked for them as a foot guide. Minor stated he had to agree so he would not be killed. [redacted] reported that he was untied, given food, and waited for about three days before he was sent to a trip smuggling people. Minor stated he was kidnapped in the house for 15 days, and he was allowed to visit his family and friends, but he was told that if he escapes he would be killed. Minor reported he told his father about this, but he did not do anything about it. [redacted] stated he had to come back to the house one week, and then allowed to visit his family and friends for another week, then return to the

house for another week, and so on. Minor reported he was not paid or told he was going to be paid, but sometimes his boss would give him some money. Minor denied knowing the name of the person who kidnapped him, but he stated he must be affiliated with the [redacted] Minor stated that he has been apprehended 5 times, but only this one he has been sent to an IRR program.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 11/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During individual therapy session, while completing the Survey of Exposure to Community Violence, minor disclosed alleged sexual assault during journey to the United States. Minor stated that approximately five months ago, during her journey to the US, while she was traveling on a bus in Mexico, the bus was stopped by Mexican Federal Agents. The passengers were taken off the bus, and one of the agents asked minor for money and minor denied carrying money. The agent proceeded by slipping his hand down minor's lower back side, inside of the pant near the pocket area of the jeans, providing skin to skin contact, and stated he was searching for money minor may be hiding. At this time, minor reported feeling uncomfortable. Minor stated the agent quickly lifted his hand after he did not find any money, and stated minor could return to the bus. Minor denies any other form of inappropriate touching, and stated she was left physically unharmed after the incident.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Center Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 11/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Summary – On 11/13/14, UAC [redacted] disclosed additional details about his time spent forced to work for the [redacted]. On 11/13/14, UAC [redacted] disclosed additional details about his time spent forced working for [redacted]. UAC reports that he has always been a “malandro” or street kid. UAC reports that on the streets he met the right people that led him to finding his way to the border. UAC reports that his friend, [redacted] said he was going to cross the border and showed UAC a map of where he was going to cross. UAC reports that he went from [redacted] to [redacted] with the money he had saved working as a mechanic, and attempted to cross the border with a “coyote.” During this attempt, UAC reports that he was kidnapped by the “coyote” on the United States side of the border. UAC reports that groups of people were separated to proceed to their destinations and UAC was the only one that was separated alone. UAC reports he was taken back to Mexico and met a man named [redacted] a leader of the [redacted] UAC reports that this individual forced him to work as a foot guide for [redacted] and threatened him with death if he chose to run away. UAC reports that he attempted to escape a first time, and was re-captured by the cartel and taken to [redacted] UAC reports that he attempted to escape a second time. UAC reports he was captured once again and was beaten with a metal tube on this occasion. In addition, on this occasion UAC reports that his friend was shot and killed beside him, and that he was told by [redacted] that if he ran away one more time, he would be shot just like his friend. UAC reports that he told [redacted] he didn't want to work as a foot guide anymore and [redacted] continued to force him to work and continued to threaten him. UAC reports that he has been apprehended 5 times by border patrol, and usually crossed with 10-15 people at a time. On a couple of occasions, UAC reports witnessing people drown in the river as he was guiding them across the river. UAC reports that every time he was apprehended, he was immediately returned to Mexico. UAC believes that the border patrol agents are in contact with [redacted] from [redacted], because every time he was released and returned to Mexico a truck from [redacted] employees would be there to pick him up. UAC reports that he had no chance of running away from the Gulf Cartel, because they always captured him after his apprehensions. UAC expressed fear that [redacted] might be searching for UAC, and does not want to return to Mexico. UAC reports that [redacted] does not know his family, and only knows that UAC was a street kid. UAC reported that up until his eventual successful escape, he had been working for [redacted] for up to two years (while UAC was not sure exactly how long it had been, this is contrary to SIR dated 10.16.14 from SWK Nueva Esperanza, where he reported working for them for only eight months).

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Union County

**Date of the Incident:** 10/31/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 10/31/14, upon further investigation UAC continues to remain adamant that when he was caught by immigration transporting undocumented aliens that he was doing the transport only because he was forced to do so. Per UAC while working at a local carwash in Texas, people he did not know came up to him and asked him if he was interested in getting additional money. UAC asked doing what and was told that a van full of people would be brought to the carwash and he would then drive the van to an undisclosed location. UAC was told that he would follow a vehicle to the location and the people he transported would be dropped off then UAC would bring the van back to the carwash. UAC states that he refused the offer but then the people threatened that if he did not cooperate his mother and siblings would be hurt. UAC states he then agreed to do as he was told in fear that his family would be hurt. Per UAC he did the transport a couple of times and then eventually was caught by immigration in September resulting in then being placed under ORR custody. UAC states he never received any money for any of the transports he did.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 11/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/14/14

**Summary of SIR Addendum:**

the youth in ORR custody reported witnessing the following events while on his journey to the United States from Guatemala. For two weeks was held in a home owned by in Texas located outside of Texas. She had 20 – 25 immigrants on her property in separate building behind the home. was sold to this woman by a man (smuggler). was forced to work in the home. He cared for 4 grandchildren, the children's mother also lived in the home however her name was not provided. Reports indicate that was locked in a room at night with the four children. They were not allowed out of the room. reported they would have male guests in the home at night where alcohol and drugs were consumed. reported that and her daughter would leave illegal drugs on the table. reported witnessing the woman ingest Cocaine and there were times that the women snorted so much that their noses would bleed. This was also done in front of the children. reported that on one occasion, when the women had friends over, that they allowed the two year old to stay with them. On this occasion the women put beer in the two year old bottle and make her drink it. They then watched her stumbled around, as she was drunk from drinking the beer that was put in her bottle. The adults in the home were reported to watch this laughing and recording it on their phones. also reported that on one occasion 7 year old was outside of the bedroom when the women had friends over in the evening was struck in the eye by her mother for not being in the room as instructed. fell to the ground from the blow and helped care for her injury. reported that the next day the 7 year old went to school with a black eye. Authorities did come to the home and the mother reported that she got the black eye from fighting with her sibling. The family was informed that would be interviewed separately. mother told to tell authorities that she got in a fight with her sibling and that her brother had a pencil which poked her eye. further explained that the grandmother advised Jaqueline's mother that she should hit the kids on their feet, because nobody will be able to see marks on their feet. A TDFPS report has been submitted with the information above. E Report Confirmation Number:

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant

**Facility:** IES Foster Brownsville

**Date of the Incident:** 11/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 11/05/2014, GDIT Case Coordinator L.G. reported via email that in her interview completed on same date with (age 17 & 5 months pregnant) she disclosed the following information: disclosed that her 2<sup>nd</sup> pregnancy was a result of a sexual assault by her neighbor. The minor did not want to disclose more information other than she has not told anyone of the assault. A CPS report has been filed. The following is the confirmation #: E-Report Confirmation Number:

1626712. At this time, there are no signs of trauma induced concerns. [redacted] has not reported or exhibited any changes in her sleeping and/or eating patterns. She has been reporting feeling comfortable and safe in her current placement. A recommendation was made to increase the number of days she is attending school as she is content participating in school activities. [redacted] has expressed her desire for her unborn child to be a female due to already having a son. [redacted] has been educated on healthy steps for teen mothers and protecting herself in future sexual relationships.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** IES Driscoll

**Date of the Incident:** 11/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On November 14, 2014 during Admission Assessment, resident [redacted] disclosed to clinician [redacted] being verbally abused while in the care of U.S. immigration officials. Minor explained he was apprehended in [redacted] TX after crossing the U.S border from [redacted]. Minor shared he was taken to an immigration center shortly after being apprehended. According to minor, he arrived at this site during night time on October 8, 2014. Minor described being treated harshly during the 28 hours he was held at this particular immigration center. Minor stated he was called names such as "Puto", "Pendejo", "No vales nada" and "Criminal" on a consistent basis. According to minor, there was an officer with the last name of [redacted] who witnessed the resident and other residents being verbally abused. Minor was clear to indicate [redacted] treated him well and was not aggressive towards him in any manner. Minor stated he requested to speak to a supervisor in hopes of addressing the verbal aggressiveness he was experiencing from the immigration officials. Minor informed being treated with disrespect when the supervisor met with him and was told (Te voy a dejar de ultimo para que dejes de estar chingando) he would be the last minor to be processed due to him making complaints about his stay at the immigration center. Minor also reported not being fed on a consistent basis. He shared he was only given two meals consisting of a sandwich and juice during the 28 hours he was detained at this station. Minor indicated after 28 hours he was taken to another immigration center where he was treated much better. Minor denied any type of verbal, physical or sexual abuse during the rest of his time under the care of immigration. However, he indicated he was not fed during the 12 hour period while he was transported to International Educational Services after leaving the first immigration center. Minor denied being physically or sexually harmed in any manner while in custody of immigration officials. Minor described feeling very frustrated and upset by the conditions he experienced. He shared he felt discriminated and saddened by the treatment he received. Minor denied currently experiencing any significant mental health issues such as suicidal ideations and self-harm behaviors as a result of the verbal abuse he endured. Minor presented emotionally stable during assessment and denied any current significant mental health concerns.

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**Incident Type:** Possession/Use of Drugs

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 11/12/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/12/14

**Summary of SIR:**

YCW [redacted] was walking to room S-18 when he noticed resident [redacted] placing his thumb up to his nose and sniffing hard, YCW [redacted] knocked on the door and saw resident [redacted] jump and then crumple up a piece of paper on his desk. YCW [redacted] spoke to the residents in room S-18 letting them know that they were about to have a meeting in the living room. Resident [redacted] placed the crumpled piece of paper in his pocket then walked out of his room, resident [redacted] asked YCW [redacted] to use the restroom. YCW [redacted] kept sight of resident [redacted] and called APD [redacted] over. YCW [redacted] told APD [redacted] about the situation, APD [redacted] told resident [redacted] to empty his pockets out and resident [redacted] pulled out the crumpled paper. APD [redacted] asked [redacted] "what is that?" and resident [redacted] responded saying "nada" APD [redacted] told [redacted] to open it up and resident [redacted] did and there was a white substance inside the crumpled piece of paper. APD [redacted] asked [redacted] "What is that?" and resident [redacted] responded that it was "sal" (salt) APD [redacted] looked at it closely and told resident [redacted] that it wasn't salt. Resident [redacted] did not say anything. APD [redacted] confiscated the paper and took it with him. APD [redacted] told resident [redacted] to stay in the hall in a place that he could be seen by staff. ADP [redacted] investigated and it was determined that the minor was snorting laundry soap. Minor was redirected not to do this anymore as it is not safe to do. Medical Assistant [redacted] followed up with [redacted] to make sure he's ok. Minor stated that he didn't snort anything and because staff caught him.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 11/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During clinical sessions, minor Jose Lopez disclosed he was working for the cartel as "cuidador de linea" (line guard) and was obligated to smuggle drugs in the US this last time he has been apprehended. Jose stated that on 08/14/2014 a friend asked him to work for the cartel watching the line (border with the US), checking if there were authorities around. Minor stated his job was only to watch for police or immigration officers while other two people were going to cross the border. Jose stated that after those two people crossed, he was going to leave, but the person who was in charge told him he could not come back yet, threw a bag with drugs and told him he had to take that bag and deliver it in the US territory. Minor stated he refused to take the bag, and he was told that if he did not deliver it, he was going to be killed. Minor then was forced to take the bag and walked with it into the US territory. Minor reported that after 10 minutes of walking the boss communicated with them via radio and told them that immigration officers were around. He was told "regresate pero regresate con la droga o si no te matamos" (you have to come back, but come back with the drug otherwise we will kill you). Minor stated that he did not want to be killed and decided to turn himself in to the Border Patrol. also stated that previously to this apprehension he has been physically abused and harassed by members of the cartel in Mexico. He stated that on one occasion he was at a party when members of the Mexican police took him to a place known as " " Minor explained these are places managed by the police, in which people are locked in small cells, and tortured and requested money to be freed. Minor stated he was there for 3 days, with no food and no water, and after that time some assassins came to pick him up. Minor stated one of the assassins slapped twice across the face and did it again when they were in the car. Minor reported after 3 days, the police came to his house and took him again to the and the same assassin went to pick him up. Minor stated he was yelled and slapped again across the face and obligated him to watch all the police cars that were there at that time. Minor disclosed that on Aug. 12th, at night, minor was riding his bike when assassins took him to a place he calls "the zone" where the assassin who previously slapped him was there. Minor stated the assassin slapped him again in the face and took him to where he stayed 32 hours with no food or water. Jose reported that on Aug. 14th he was with some friends when assassins got out of a truck and started beaten them, with guns grips and kicks. Minor stated he was beaten severely that day, and that was the same night a friend asked him to watch the line.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 11/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/14/14

**Summary of SIR Addendum:**

Minor reported during her journey Mexican soldiers boarded the bus she was traveling on and robbed her. Minor stated she was told she had to pay them or they would take her. Minor gave them the money she had. Minor also stated that during her journey she did not eat well while she was waiting to cross the border in a warehouse. Minor stated the coyotes would give them small portions of food and she offered to help clean the warehouse in exchange for more food. Minor reported the coyotes did not force her to clean. Minor also stated that she witnessed the coyotes take drugs to stay awake and watch over them. At times minor stated the coyotes would hit and mistreat other travelers.

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## DCS Weekly Significant Incident Report

Submitted by: Rocio Herrera

November 16 – November 22, 2014

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### Category of Significant Incident Report:

- Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior: **2**
- Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault: **7**
- Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking: **10**
- Possession/Use of Drugs: **0**
- Sexual Abuse outside the US – UAC Pregnant: **0**
- Sexual Abuse during Journey: **3**
- Other: **4**

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**Total Number of Major SIRs: 26; Total Number of SIRs for the Week: 455 ; Number of SIRs for FY15: 3501**

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Paso

**Date of the Incident:** 11/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/14/14

**Summary of SIR:**

It was reported by YCW that this youth made a threat to him. He documented the following "During lunch resident had the water gallon on his table when YCW asked to please put the water gallon back where it goes so other residents can get water as well. refused to put it back where it goes so YCW grabbed the gallon to put it back where it belongs and said "Ya no te voy a ponchar las llantas de tu carro, te voy a ponchar tu culo." Translating to "I'm not going to pop the tires of your car anymore; I'm going to pop your asshole."

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 11/13/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/13/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During individual therapy session, while completing the Survey of Exposure to Community Violence, minor disclosed alleged sexual assault during journey to the United States. Minor stated that approximately five months ago, during her journey to the US, while she was traveling on a bus in Mexico, the bus was stopped by Mexican Federal Agents. The passengers were taken off the bus, and one of the agents asked minor for money and minor denied carrying money. The agent proceeded by slipping his hand down minor's lower back side, inside of the pants near the pocket area of the jeans, providing skin to skin contact, and stated he was searching for money minor may be hiding. At this time, minor reported feeling uncomfortable. Minor stated the agent quickly lifted his hand after he did not find any money, and stated minor could return to the bus. Minor denies any other form of inappropriate touching, and stated she was left physically unharmed after the incident.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** United Methodist Home

**Date of the Incident:** 11/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Today, the minor attended the school when she asked to talk with the Clinician. At soon she was alone with the Clinician, she started to cried and stated: "I have more to tell you. When I escape from the coyote, the coyote called to let them know that I escape told me). took me in Texas. They made me to smuggle drugs (10 drugs capsules) and threatened me to kill me if I refused it. They wanted to transport the drug to We went back to Mexico in bus with 2 gringos). There, they gave me a pill and then, they got the 10 capsule of drugs. Then, they made me clean the capsules using toothpaste. They didn't offer any money to me to transport the drugs; just they threatened me that I have to do it. took me to the doctor because 2 gringos wanted to buy me for their business.

The Gringos received payments but I don't know how much. They took me to a doctor and 2 gringos (one of them nick's name is [redacted] wanted to buy me because they told me that I was perfect for something at the magazine. I meet a lady and she told me that I was too young for all this and she wanted to help me escape. The gringos took us to a room and they rape her in front of me and because she wanted to escape, they shot her head in front of me and then, opened her stomach to get the drugs, and they raped me (white guys). I saw cards on the floor with the following information: Texas and federal. They told me that if I escaped that might happen to me. They transported me in a boat, but I escape jumping out. They didn't shoot me because their boss wanted me. I swam and in Texas, I meet another lady with 2 kids. She was lost and she told me "we need to surrender" and we did.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Holy Family Institute

**Date of the Incident:** 11/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Upon arrival to the home for a session with another resident, Clinician went to the second floor of the home where all residents and staff were transitioning the residents after school. [redacted] ran out of her room to greet the clinician, hugged the clinician, and kissed directly on the clinician's right breast. Clinician immediately directed [redacted] to let go and Clinician stepped away from [redacted]. Clinician stated that the behavior was inappropriate and directed [redacted] to ask permission prior to hugging or kissing a staff member or resident. [redacted] stated understanding and engaged in practice of the skill by asking the clinician for permission to greet her with a hug. Clinician then engaged [redacted] in practice of the skill by permitting to give the clinician a quick hug. [redacted] then tried to tickle the clinician. Clinician set the boundary that [redacted] was again behaving inappropriately and directed her to give the clinician personal space. Clinician stated that [redacted] was expected to keep her hands to herself and assisted [redacted] in transitioning to the next activity in the residence.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Downtown Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 11/16/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported that while working for [redacted] he was forced to carry packages across the border on two occasions. Minor stated that the first incident occurred approximately one year prior to being admitted to ORR care (Minor was initially admitted to Shenandoah Valley Staff Secure placement on 6/8/2014). He reported that he was told by members of the cartel that he had to carry packages containing Marijuana across the Rio Bravo. Minor stated that he refused, and told the cartel members that he would only transport people across the border. Minor reported that the members of the cartel then told minor that he would be beaten with a wooden plank, or worse, if he refused. Minor stated that he ended up taking the packages across the river and was not caught. Minor stated that approximately 3 months prior to being admitted into ORR care he was again asked to carry packages across the river. Minor stated that he again attempted to refuse, telling the cartel members that he feared being caught by the U.S. Border Patrol while carrying drugs, but that members of the cartel again warned him that he would have to "pay the consequences" if he refused. Minor stated that on the second incident he did not ask what was in the packages, but that they were smaller. Minor stated that he has not reported this in the past because he feared it would complicate his legal case. Minor stated he was not caught either time, and that he was fearful of being forced to do this type of work. Minor stated that he was regularly beaten by members of the cartel when they were displeased and that he decided to escape into the U.S. on his most recent journey due to the abuse and due to being pressured to do things against his will.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** KidsPeace

**Date of the Incident:** 11/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

[redacted] reported that other UAC, [redacted] has been bullying him. He has been calling [redacted] "chica" (girl). Also, [redacted] reported that [redacted] said to him "Soy un violador, te voy a violar" (I am a rapist, I am going to rape you").



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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Sandy Pines

**Date of the Incident:** 11/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Peer reported witnessing UAC kissing with a male UAC in the hallway during school. They were reported to be kissing 11/17/14 at approximately 12:00 pm. UAC admitted to kissing, but UAC denied the allegations.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** LSS of New York

**Date of the Incident:** 11/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reports being placed in the Ice Box several times while being held in the detention center. Minor stated that the first time he spent one day and night with other minors, and was then taken out to another room. Minor stated that the second time he was placed with other adults, and was taken in and out of the room while immigration officials investigated his actual age. Minor reported it was not until the second to last day of being in the detention center that he received a blanket; the minor reported to be held in the detention center for seven days. Minor could not identify the name of any of the officials who placed him in the Icebox. Minor also reported that the day before coming to LSSNY, as he was waiting for his flight, an officer told him and others to stop being loud; minor indicated that the officer used foul language when speaking to them.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** New York Foundling

**Date of the Incident:** 05/05/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/17/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed that during his long journey to the U.S he experienced child labor, verbal abuse and exploitation. Minor reported that it took him about 6 months to reach the US. Minor reported that during his journey, he worked in many places in exchange for food or shelter. Many times he was promised wages, but was often not paid. Around May 2014- Mexico- Minor reported that he spent 20 days living with a family that were related to his guide. Minor reported that he worked selling watermelons in exchange for room and board, no wages were paid. Minor reported that he worked 8 hours a day 7 days a week. Minor reported that there were no other workers in the residence. In addition at this residence minor reported that he witnessed the proprietor engaging in domestic violence with his wife. Minor reported that he witnesses the proprietor chasing his pregnant wife with a machete while in the presence of the proprietor's two year old child. Minor also disclosed that the proprietor once threatened him with a machete while drunk. Minor reports that he was scared and tried to stay away from the proprietor as much as possible. Minor reported that he called his brother in the US for financial support. According to minor his brother sent him money via the family at this residency and was only given 50% of the funds that were sent to him. Minor reported that when he protested he was told that the guide has said he should only receive that much. Minor was able to use these funds to take a bus to Mexico. Around June 2014-

-Minor reported that he worked at a car wash where the owners routinely cheated him out of his wages. Minor reported that he worked from 9am to 1am, seven days a week. Minor reported that the owner made arrangements for minor to sleep in a bar next door. According to minor he finally left when he was able to save enough money to continue his journey to the US. Minor reported that owner refused to pay wages owed. Around September 2014- Mexico- Minor stated that when he arrived in he stayed with a relative of his nephew's stepmother. Minor reported that his brother paid rent for him every 15 days. Minor reports that the home was comprised of one room which he shared with 6 people. Minor reports that he shared a bed with a 12 year old boy. Minor reported that he was verbally abused by the proprietors, who insulted his mother and referred to him by homophobic slurs. Minor reported that his cell phone was stolen while at the boarding house. Minor reported no trauma, nightmares or flashback as a result of the abuse. No safety concerns at this time.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** IES Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 11/17/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On November 17, 2014 during the initial clinical interview process with Clinician, minor reported verbal sexual harassment from two guides in Mexico explained during the clinical assessment that she was verbally, sexually harassed by two guides during her journey through Mexico. states the second guide out of four guides that she traveled with asked her if she wanted to sleep on the mattress with him as well as all the other females. states she felt very uncomfortable and decided to sleep on the bare floor instead. also explained one by one the other females got off the mattress and left the guide on the mattress sleeping alone. As they traveled along getting to Mexico by bus the same guide who was called who appeared to be about 32 years of age asked her before arriving to their destination if she wanted to stay with him and the other male guides at the hotel so that she would sleep comfortably and if she did she would get special treatment such as tacos and clothes. states she refused and was not bothered by him any longer. As traveled farther in her journey and arrived in Mexico in a stash house, the 4th guide who was in the stash house constantly verbally harassed her as if wanting a relationship with her and asked her two times if she wanted to sleep with him. states he made her feel uncomfortable although she denies any physical or sexual contact with him because he was older than her and was fat.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** Morrison Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 11/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/18/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor made sexual inappropriate gesturing towards a program female staff. While the unit was on their free time, minor was observed by staff, gesturing in an inappropriate sexual manner towards a female staff when they walked through the unit by smacking his hands together gesturing that he was slapping their bottom (back side of their butt) and smiling. Minor was seen by staff signaling at another youth his actions and or intentions. When the female staff walked by a second time, minor was seen by staff repeating the same inappropriate sexual gesture. Youth was sent to his room without incident.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** BCFS San Antonio

**Date of the Incident:** 11/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/18/14

**Summary of SIR: Addendum**

In response to previous sexual assault in another program, attended his SANE follow up exam at Center for Miracles. STD testing results are pending for seven days. RN discussed recommendations for future testing. NO INJURY TO CHILD REQUIRING MEDICAL ATTENTION: attended his scheduled six week follow up appointment from initial SANE exam. He had a verbal consultation with the RN was taken to a medical exam room with Dr. in order to receive a one anal swab for STD testing Syphyilis & HIV. According to RN was hesitant to remove his pants but agreed and allowed the exam. He removed his pants but had his boxers on. Witnesses: CM Transporter Transporter, RN Dr. Staff response and intervention: RN spoke with CM and discussed discharge information. An anal swab was received and within 7 days CM will receive a phone call if results are positive for Syphilis or HIV. RN discussed HIV testing in three months then six months and the HPV vaccine. CM Griselda reported the incident to LCM LCM Clinician Lead Clinician APD & PD Resolution and Follow up: Pending SANE recommendations, case management will follow up with medical recommendations, treatment plans, and legal recommendations. Case manager will notify CPS worker of any updates/recommendations.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Other UAC Sexual Abuse; Inappropriate Sexual Behavior; Sexual Assault

**Facility:** NOVA

**Date of the Incident:** 11/14/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/19/14

**Summary of SIR:**

While on the dayroom floor, staff observed UAC making gestures as if he were masturbating, and pretending to have breasts and squeeze them. Staff informed UAC that his behavior was inappropriate and that he needed to stop. UAC ceased his behavior. Approximately 50 minutes later, staff overheard him telling other UACs about putting semen on a pen that one of the female shift supervisors had given to him to sign a contract. Staff then interrupted the conversation and asked UAC to clarify what he was talking about. He provided more detail about the incident. The shift supervisor was notified and UAC was escorted to his room with no further incident.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS Baytown

**Date of the Incident:** 11/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/19/14

**Summary of SIR Addendum:**

the youth in ORR custody reported witnessing the following events while on his journey to the United States from Guatemala. For two weeks as held in a home owned by in Texas located outside of Texas. She had 20 – 25 immigrants on her property in separate building behind the home. was sold to this woman by a man (smuggler). was forced to work in the home. He cared for 4 grandchildren, the children’s mother also lived in the home however her name was not provided. During a meeting with clinician, explained that during the two weeks he was held in a home owned by “ where sexual advances and a possible sexual relationship, which was forced upon the minor. The minor indicates one night and her oldest daughter had adult females in the home and they were drinking beers, smoking marijuana and inhaling cocaine. reports the other children in the home were placed in a room so they did not inhale the smoke. During three hours was sitting in the dining room table and when asked, he would take beers to the ladies. feel asleep at the table and at a later given time he awoke to see the room full of smoke from the marihuana. He felt odd and could not understand why he was laughing at everything. The female identified as took him by the hand and took him to a room. The female friend of hers went along. When in the room they began to touch him and asked him to remove his clothes to which he said he would rather not. They both pushed him on the bed and proceeded to remove his clothes. He stated they did so as well. The minor described tattoos they displayed. has a Virgin Mary tattoo on her left calf and the names of her children on her right calf. The second female, whom the minor reported to be in her late teens, had a butterfly on the left side of her lower abdomen and another butterfly on her left shoulder blade. Cosman cannot recall much but reported he fell asleep in the bed and awoke with them in bed as well, the next morning. He excused himself for not having reported it before because he feels ashamed. The minor feels safe in ORR placement. A TDFPS report has been submitted with the information above. E Report Confirmation Number: Dated Submitted: 11/19/2014 09:02 p.m.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** CC Boystown

**Date of the Incident:** 11/19/14

**UAC:** N/A

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/19/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 11/19/14 at approximately 4:15am, a man trespassed our property opened the annex door from the second floor and sounded the alarm. Suddenly, the man closed the door when staff approached to him and asked “who are you?” and then the man ran away. The staff, reported immediately to the police and to her coworkers. The police came to the facility and apprehended the man.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Morrison TFC

**Date of the Incident:** 11/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/19/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On 11/18/2014, at approximately 02:45p.m., minor reported to the onsite clinician, the following: "Youth reports that he arrived in immigration custody on 11/7/14. He reports that he spent seven days and six nights in custody. He states that on numerous occasions he and/or his brother asked to use the bathroom but were denied the right for an extended period of time and that on one occasion his brother peed in his pants after having to wait too long. reports that the Immigration staff then made him change his brother's pants." \*\*Per the UAC Portal/Case Management/Intakes/Apprehension and Transfer Information\*\* Minor entered and was apprehend on 11/09/2014 at 12:00a.m. in California. Current Location: SYS POE, California, on 11/12/2014 at 12:00a.m. Minor was admitted to Morrison Micasa on Friday, November 14, 2014.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Children's Village Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 11/18/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/19/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Yesterday evening during therapy session with Clinician, minor revealed that she feels discriminated against by a Staff member According to minor, the Staff yells at her most of the times when is chores time and that this particular Staff tends to assign her more chores than the rest of the residents. Minor further explained that during a Community Meeting on Monday this particular Staff was talking about how to treat others with respect, love and compassion. However, minor stated that she felt distraught because this Staff does not treat her the way she was describing in the group. Minor stated that she could no longer hear what the Staff was saying about respect and how we are supposed to treat each other, and therefore, she began to cry.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Bethany Christian Services Shelter

**Date of the Incident:** 11/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

The youth reports that he was involved in drug smuggling (marijuana) while living in X. The youth reported that he was invited to join a drug smuggling organization by a friend from school. The youth reported that he and his friend began working for the organization in March 2014 and had made 18 or 19 trips since he started. The youth reports that he often felt scared during these trips because he did not know what was going to happen. The youth states he has been caught by U.S. immigration officials about 6 or 7 times and was deported immediately, until this last time that he was caught on 6/21/14 and was sentenced to serve three months at the Eastern Arizona Juvenile Detention Center. The youth reported that he worked for a man named who was part of the but the division of the cartel was called " The youth reported that he was paid \$1,500 USD for every trip, if the drugs made it to their destination. The youth reported that out of all his trips, there were only two occasions when he was not paid due to the drugs being confiscated by immigration officials. The youth reported that the two times the drugs were confiscated, his boss made him take even more heavy backpacks full of drugs on his next trip to "get back at him." The youth stated that his maternal uncle was a good friend of and he was also involved with a drug cartel. The youth also reported that his uncle mysteriously disappeared about 4 or 5 years ago. The youth reports that his uncle was in the middle of working a drug deal, and he got in a truck with some other people and he never returned. When the family went searching for the uncle, one man told them that they should stop searching and thinks that the youth's uncle was probably killed. The youth also mentioned that his uncle had problems with some members of The youth states that his parents also worked with the youth's maternal uncle in the drug business. The youth reported that his father worked with his uncle, both selling drugs and welding compartments in different parts of cars in order to hide drugs in the walls of the cars, and in the gas tanks so the drugs would not be seen by the police when crossing the border. He states that his father, was arrested by the police while selling drugs, but when asked to state his name, he gave the name

instead of his real name, and that is the name he goes by now. Additionally, the youth states that his mother, would go once in a while with his father to collect and transport money for the drugs, so she began using the name [REDACTED]. The youth is unsure if his mother has ever been arrested by the police. The youth indicated that there is a lot of community violence and vandalism in his home town. The youth stated that there are shootings regularly, which he related to all the drug trafficking that is going on in the town. The youth states that he would hear gunshots in the middle of the night many times. The youth also reported that there is a gang in his neighborhood named [REDACTED]. The youth disclosed that his younger brother was being threatened by a gang member in his home town. The youth stated that both his younger brother and the gang member liked the same girl, and so that was the cause of the threats. The youth also reports that his father was threatened by armed drug traffickers about two or three years ago. He states that three cars pulled up to his house, his father went outside, and then the youth heard a lot of yelling. The youth could not understand what they were saying, but he thought at that moment that the drug traffickers were going to kill his father. The youth disclosed that about two years ago, a gang member in his hometown hit him on the chin with a bat, which sent the youth to the hospital. The youth reported that the gang member liked his girlfriend, and when he saw the two together, the gang member approached the youth and hit him with the bat one time. The youth reported that he was given stitches in the hospital and sent home. The youth reports that if he were to return to Mexico and be in a relationship with a girl, events like these would keep happening. The youth also reports that there was a time that people were not able to leave their homes after 3pm due to the shootings in the town. He reports that [REDACTED] would kidnap kids, kill them, and then sell their organs. The youth reported fear that this may happen to his younger brother or cousins. The youth also reports that many of his friends have disappeared, including three kids from his school. The youth stated that the older kids who were kidnapped were forced to join cartels, such as [REDACTED] against their will. The youth states that he fears that if he were to return to Mexico, that this may also happen to him as well. He also states that his family moved to a new part of [REDACTED] MX) due to increased gang violence activities and shootings all around town. The youth reported that his mother called to inform him that his boss, [REDACTED] went looking for him at his family's old house. The youth's mother was at their old house packing up their stuff when [REDACTED] came by the house and asked the youth's mother where the youth is and why he is not back yet. The youth reported that his mother did not tell [REDACTED] where the youth is and only mentioned that he was still in a detention center. [REDACTED] also inquired why the youth was taking such a long time to return to Mexico and asked where the youth's family had recently moved to. The youth reported that his mother did not give [REDACTED] any information. The youth reported that he is afraid of what his previous boss will do to him if he does return to his home country. The youth also reported that when he was caught by immigration, the officials would ask who he worked for and the youth would tell them that he worked for "[REDACTED]" Caseworker and clinician then asked the youth what his boss [REDACTED] would do if he found out that the youth had given his name to the immigration officials and the youth states that [REDACTED] would probably hit him, and doesn't know what else he may do. The youth states that if he were to continue working for "[REDACTED]" then the next step would be an invitation to join the cartel. The youth states that he does not want to become part of the cartel, but if he were to be invited, then it would be obligatory to join them, and the youth would not be allowed to decline.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** CC Phoenix LTFC

**Date of the Incident:** 11/19/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

On November 19, 2014, at approximately 5:40pm, this Counselor met with the client at her foster home residence while her foster parents and her other peers were present at home. The client disclosed that she was feeling sad and lonely and she indicated that she does not understand why her father made the arrangement that he did, causing her to be in the United States in her present situation. She elaborated that her biological father in Guatemala had made an arrangement with the father of her husband, who she now wants to divorce. She stated that she really did not want to marry him and that in fact she did not even know him. After being repeatedly asked by her father to marry him she finally did so as to not disappoint him. [REDACTED] stated that the hardest thing was losing her virginity to her husband, who she really did not know, and who was around 26 or 27 years old at the time. She reported having no knowledge that the intention was for her to come to United States and that in looking back she is surprised at the risk that she took in her journey to America. When the client was asked to clarify if she was forced into the marriage or if that was something she did voluntarily, she replied that it was forced in the sense that she did not want to disappoint her father and that is why in the past she was not clear

on what we meant by force. The client's eyes became watery and we discussed positive coping skills and a list of people who are currently emotionally supportive to her needs.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Selma Carson Home

**Date of the Incident:** 3/15/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor reported that one day in March, 2012, he went to a supermarket in Bakersfield, CA and on his way out a man approached him and introduced himself as [redacted]. He asked if minor wanted to work cleaning his yard. Minor said yes and agreed to come to the given address. When minor went to [redacted] address the next day he noticed that it was a very small yard and [redacted] was sorting his recycled bottles and cans. Minor was asked to help with sorting the cans and bottles and as he and [redacted] were working at this, [redacted] hared how he was sexually abused. [redacted] then asked minor to show him his private parts and [redacted] touched him. Minor was paid \$50.00 that day and was asked to come back for another \$50.00. A few days later minor went to [redacted] ouse for the \$50.00 and was given the \$50.00 without having to do anything. Several times on other days to follow, minor showed his private parts to [redacted] and touched him and minor was given \$50.00 each time. Minor also reported that in October 2013 while he was looking for a job at the Home Depot in Bakersfield, CA he met a man named [redacted] who asked him to clean his house for pay. On their way to [redacted] house, [redacted] asked minor what his sexual orientation was. Minor cleaned [redacted] house and was paid and [redacted] took minor's ph. #. A few days later [redacted] called minor and told minor that he will be paid \$100.00 if he had sex with him. Minor had sex with [redacted] less than 10 times and received \$100 each time they had sex. The incidents were already reported to the International Review Committee (IRC) and ICE Trafficking Officers and minor had received his Eligibility Letter for trafficking victim dated 11/12/14.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** Morrison Secure

**Date of the Incident:** 08/01/13

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:**

**Summary of SIR:**

UAC disclosed, that approximately between the age of 14 -16, while in home country, prior to coming to the USA he was forced to have sex with "homeboys" (Male adult gang leaders). UAC stated they would kill his family starting with his niece, and moving up. UAC stated, that for 3x a week for one year, the "homeboys" would wait for him at a place he had to pass returning home, and would physically take him and force him to have sex with the "homeboys" (Male adult gang leaders). UAC reported the "homeboys" would forcefully sodomize him and force him to touch them. UAC stated he was given cocaine prior to sexual encounters to "kill the pain". He reports that he was given so much cocaine that he would see stars, feel dizzy, and coming down would want to kill himself. UAC reported he did not report this to anyone, including his family.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** SWK Rio Grande

**Date of the Incident:** 11/19/14

**UAC**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/20/14

**Summary of SIR Addendum:**

Youth disclosed information regarding being forced (him and other youths) to work for gang members and being physically assaulted for refusing to work for them. Minor disclosed to clinician, [redacted] LCDC LPCI, that in home country he was forced to work for [redacted] members. Youth stated that in more than eight occasions (for the last two years including on one occasion a month prior to coming to the U.S.) a vehicle would show up to the park where youth would typically attend to play soccer. Youth stated that gang members would choose several youths from the soccer teams at random. Gang members would then send youths out against their will to do jobs such as physically assaulting people that own money from drugs and "taxes" or extortions. Youth was forced to do marijuana and cocaine prior to doing the jobs. Youth stated that he was given money after doing the jobs from 200 -400 lempiras (1 dollar = 22 lempiras) for each job and when refusing to do jobs he would get physically abused/ assaulted. Youth stated that he was physically assaulted for not cooperating in in at least three occasions and so badly hurt that he need to go to the hospital (bruises in the face, ribs and back). Youth stated that he knew of several friends who were constantly assaulted physically and sent to the hospital for

not cooperating with the gang members. Youth stated that he knew of three youths from his neighborhoods that were disappeared for not following order from the gang.

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**Incident Type:** Sexual Abuse during Journey

**Facility:** IES Driscoll

**Date of the Incident:** 11/20/14

**UAC**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor disclosed he was raped after arriving in TX.

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**Incident Type:** Other

**Facility:** Abbott House

**Date of the Incident:** 11/19/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During a follow-up session for further assessment, minor disclosed that when he was apprehended he was hit on his left shoulder by one of the officers wearing a green uniform. Minor stated that he fell to the floor due to the extreme pain he felt at the moment. Minor also stated that he was hit multiple times but the one that hurt him most was the hit on the shoulder. Minor stated that he was then handcuffed and taken to the first building where he was detained. Minor stated that there the officers in the green uniforms "yelled at him like he was an animal." Minor stated that he felt horrible during the time he stayed there. Minor stated that at this place he was only fed tortillas with rice that was barely cooked. Minor stated that he did not eat. Minor also stated that he was not given anything to drink. Minor stated that he was afraid to ask for something to drink because of the way the officers were treating everyone there. Minor stated that there he slept on a "colchoneta" a thin mattress with a thin blanket but the room was cold. Furthermore, minor stated that he was transferred to a second building with 40-50 other boys in one room. Minor stated that at this place he was only given bread and ham and water to drink two times a day. He stated that the toilet was visible to others. Minor also stated that during the day time the thin mattresses were removed and he and other minors sat on the floor. Minor stated that during the day he slept on the bare floors but at nighttime the mattresses were returned. Minor stated that this lasted the time he was detained, which was one day. Minor stated that he felt horrible.

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**Incident Type:** Suspected Smuggling/Trafficking

**Facility:** BCFS Fairfield

**Date of the Incident:** 11/01/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

During assessment session, stated that when he went to work to e met some men who one day arrived at the place where he was working to offer job opportunities in USA. According to minor he accepted the offer as he understood that he would be working in big houses cultivating chili. He and another friend accepted the proposition and they were instructed to go to a place where 3 men waited for him and his friend to cross them into US. However, minor said that there were 3-4 men each carrying a gun who told them they had to carry a cargo of 25 kilos of marijuana each in order to cross them to US. Minor and his friend declined to do it and they were threatened to get killed. Minor said they had no choice. Minor said that he got more scared when he learned that those men belonged to the group of Minor knew that they would kill him if they knew he was originally from an area where o not rule but oes. Minor said he was lucky they did not find that out because although he did not have anything to do with he came from an area where they are automatically considered enemies in the cartel war. The threats continued along the journey until they got to a place called the 9th station, minor said. The man who led them told them what they had to do from then on. stated that they were supposed to get to the 10ths station where a man would pay them \$ 2,000 dollars and would take them to their final destinations. However, this never happened as they were arrested before getting to such station. dded that he is glad that this happened because they were not sure if in fact they would get out alive from this ordeal, he said.

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**Incident Type:** Allegations of Abuse by Program Staff – Inappropriate Behavior

**Facility:** Children' Village SS

**Date of the Incident:** 11/20/14

**UAC:**

**Date of the Incident Reported to ORR:** 11/20/14

**Summary of SIR:**

Minor got upset because he wanted another type of snack and they did not have sufficient to give him one. Staff explained to minor that there was not enough potato chips and gave him an ice cream instead. According to reports, the Staff continued speaking with another resident. reported the staff disrespected him by showing him her middle finger and claimed that she wanted to hit him and that he stood up to her and told her to hit him that he did not care. Minor and staff was separated by Assistant Supervisor, Ms. separated staff and minor and had each write their version of the incident. Ms. hen notified Assistant VP, Ms. nd Director of DIS, . After discussing the incident it was decided that Ms. Ruiz would make a report to the Justice Center. Ms. made the call to the Justice Center. Ms. Ruiz spoke to nd provided the confirmation #: Ms. also had youth Specialist, write a statement as he was in hearing range of the conversation between Staff nd the minor. According to Mr. Ms. was talking to another resident and nterfered in the conversation and was the one who told that he was the other minor's attorney and that he needed to be present to hear what she was telling the other resident. In minor's statement he reported that Ms. used inappropriate language towards the residents and was keeping them up at night with her profanity and loud voice. Minor also questioned why Ms. eferred to one particular resident as "violador de mujeres" (Rapist). Assistant Supervisor, Ms. followed-up with the other resident regarding this allegation made by the minor. The other resident acknowledged that Ms. was calling him "violador de mujeres" (rapist). The other resident wrote a statement stating that the staff Ms. flipped the minor and made inappropriate comments towards them.

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