

Dear NAHMA Members,

Yesterday, HUD released general guidance to public housing agencies (PHAs), Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) property owners, and Project-Based Voucher (PBV) property owners on **actions required when a child receiving housing assistance is identified as having an elevated blood lead level.**

PIH Notice 2017-13 focuses on recent changes to HUD's Lead Safe Housing Rule, which was effective on February 13, 2017 with a compliance date for PHAs of July 13, 2017. Target housing under the Lead Safe Housing Rule is any housing constructed prior to 1978, with certain exceptions.

The key changes to the Lead Safe Housing Rule include enhancing the level of investigation required for a housing unit of a child with an elevated blood lead level and adding a requirement for testing in other covered units when a child is identified in a multiunit property.

For more information on the attached guidance relating to elevated blood lead levels, including **required actions, responsible entities, and action timeframes**, please click [here](#).

Thanks,

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