Dear NAHMA Member,

HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing recently issued the following notice concerning guidance relating to family moves with continued assistance and other related changes resulting from publication of the rule "Housing Choice Voucher Program: Streamlining the Portability Process" from August, 2015.

The two provisions included in this notice outline the requirement to provide as part of both the oral briefing and the information packet for tenants. HCV participants may choose a unit that meets program requirements anywhere in the United States, provided that a Public Housing Authority (PHA) administering the program has jurisdiction over the area in which the unit is located. Moves with continued assistance can occur both inside and outside of the PHA's jurisdiction. Specifically, this notice provides guidance on a Public Housing Authority's (PHA) administrative responsibilities related to family moves with continued assistance both inside and outside the PHA's jurisdiction and guidance on suspension of the voucher term.

This notice outlines Fair Housing compliance measures, such as reasonable accommodations and limited English proficiency (LEP) standards, as wells as the necessary revisions PHAs must make to their current Family Briefing practices, such as an explanation of the advantages of moving to an area that does not have a high concentration of low income families and how voucher portability works.

This full notice is attached to this message and may be found on the NAHMA website here

Additionally, a side-by-side comparison of previous and new regulatory requirements may be found at HUD's website <u>here</u>

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