

Introduction

ABOUT THE REFERENCES CITED IN THE MODEL ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN

AUTHORITIES FOR POLICIES IN THE MODEL ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN

The authority for PHA policies is derived from many sources. Primary among these sources are federal statutes, federal regulations, and guidance issued by HUD. State law also directs PHA policy. State law must be followed where such law exists and does not conflict with federal regulations. Industry practice may also be used to develop policy as long as it does not conflict with federal requirements or prohibitions.

HUD

HUD provides the primary source of PHA policy through federal regulations, HUD notices, and handbooks. Compliance with federal regulations, current HUD notices, and current HUD handbooks is mandatory.

HUD also provides guidance to PHAs through other means such as HUD-published guidebooks, expired HUD notices, and expired handbooks. Basing PHA policy on HUD guidance is optional, as long as PHA policies comply with federal law, federal regulations and mandatory policy. Because HUD has already determined that the guidance it provides is consistent with mandatory policies, PHA reliance on HUD guidance provides the PHA with a “safe harbor.”

Material posted on the HUD website can provide further clarification of HUD policies. For example, FAQs on the HUD website can provide direction on the application of federal regulations in various aspects of the program.

State Law

Where there is no mandatory federal guidance, PHAs must comply with state law, if it exists. Where state law is more restrictive than federal law, but does not conflict with it, the PHA should follow the state law.

Industry Practice

Where no law or HUD authority exists on a particular subject, industry practice may support PHA policy. Industry practice refers to a way of doing things or a policy that has been adopted by a majority of PHAs.

RESOURCES CITED IN THE MODEL ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN

The model administrative plan cites several documents. Where a document or resource is cited frequently, it may be abbreviated. Where it is cited only once or twice, the model administrative plan may contain the entire name of the document or resource. Following is a key to abbreviations used for various sources that are frequently cited in the administrative plan and a list of references and document locations that are referenced in the model administrative plan or that may be helpful to you.

Abbreviations

Throughout the model administrative plan, abbreviations are used to designate certain documents in citations. The following is a table of abbreviations of documents cited in the model administrative plan.

| Abbreviation | Document |
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| CFR | Code of Federal Regulations |
| HCV GB | Housing Choice Voucher Program Guidebook (7420.10G), April 2001. |
| HUD-50058 IB | HUD-50058 Instruction Booklet |
| RHIIP FAQs | Rental Housing Integrity Improvement Program (RHIIP) Frequently Asked Questions. |
| VG | PIH Notice 2004-01 Verification Guidance, March 9, 2004. |
| HB 4350.3 | Occupancy Requirements of Subsidized Multifamily Housing Programs |

Resources and Where to Find Them

Following is a list of resources helpful to the PHA or referenced in the model administrative plan, and the online location of each.

| Document and Location |
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| Code of Federal Regulations http://www.gpoaccess.gov/cfr/index.html |
| Earned Income Disregard FAQ www.hud.gov/offices/pih/phr/about/ao_faq_eid.cfm |
| Eligibility of Students for Assisted Housing Under Section 8 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937; Final Rule http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2008/pdf/E8-19435.pdf |
| Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) System, Security Procedures for Upfront Income Verification data http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/rhiip/docs/eivsecguidepha.pdf |
| Executive Order 11063 http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/FHLaws/EXO11063.cfm |

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| <p>Federal Register http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/fr-cont.html</p> |
| <p>General Income and Rent Determination FAQs www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/rhiip/faq_gird.cfm</p> |
| <p>Housing Choice Voucher Program Guidebook (7420.10G), April 2001 www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/hcv/forms/guidebook.cfm</p> |
| <p>HUD-50058 Instruction Booklet http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=50058i.pdf</p> |
| <p>Joint Statement of the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Department of Justice, issued May 17, 2004 http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/library/huddojstatement.pdf</p> |
| <p>Final Guidance to Federal Financial Assistance Recipients Regarding Title VI Prohibition Against National Origin Discrimination Affecting Limited English Proficient Persons, published January 22, 2007 http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/promotingfh/FederalRegistepublishedguidance.pdf</p> |
| <p>Notice PIH 2012-10, Verification of Social Security Numbers (SSNs) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Benefits; and Effective Use of the Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) System's Identity Verification Report http://portal.hud.gov/huddoc/pih2012-10.pdf</p> |
| <p>Notice PIH 2010-19, Administrative Guidance for Effective and Mandated Use of the Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) System http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/10/pih2010-19.pdf</p> |
| <p>Notice PIH 2010-26 (HA), Nondiscrimination and Accessibility Notice http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/10/pih2010-26.pdf</p> |
| <p>OMB Circular A-133 http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/a133_compliance_supplement_2010</p> |
| <p>Project-Based Voucher Program; Final Rule http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2005-10-13/pdf/05-20035.pdf</p> |

Rental Housing Integrity Improvement Program (RHIIP) Frequently Asked Questions.
www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/rhiip/faq.cfm

VAWA Final Rule

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2010-10-27/pdf/2010-26914.pdf>

Verification FAQ

www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/rhiip/faq_verif.cfm

Verification Guidance, March 2004 (attachment to Notice PIH 2004-1)

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/publications/notices/04/verifguidance.pdf>

The HUD Web site is <http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD>.

Guidebooks, handbooks and other HUD resources may be found at the HUDClips Web site:
http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/hudclips