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REAC Posts *Get NSPIREd* Newsletter

The Real Estate Assessment Center ([REAC](#)) has [posted](#) the most recent issue of its newsletter on the National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate ([NSPIRE](#)), *Get NSPIREd*. The new issue, dated September 2020, provides updates regarding the following topics, among others:

- NSPIRE virtual workshops
- NSPIRE in the time of COVID-19
- The [recent webcast](#) providing an overview for PHAs and property owners

As you know, the NSPIRE [demonstration](#) was announced last year to overhaul HUD's inspection process and test new approaches for making certain PHAs and owners provide housing that is safe and livable. NSPIRE will eventually be implemented as a single inspection protocol for public housing and HCV units.

PD&R Updates Online Magazine, *The Edge*

HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research ([PD&R](#)) has published some updates to its online magazine, *The Edge*. [One of the updates](#) examines local and state strategies for responding to the COVID-19 housing crisis. In [another update](#), PD&R covers a Rental Assistance Demonstration ([RAD](#)) renovation to continue providing affordable housing to seniors in Maine. For other updates, including [a message](#) from PD&R leadership titled "The Census Phase 2 Household Pulse Survey and Rental Housing During the Pandemic," visit *The Edge* [home page](#).

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