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## **HCV PROGRAM NEWS**

### PIH Issues Notice Revising EHVs Household Data Reporting Requirements

Yesterday HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing (<u>PIH</u>) issued Notice <u>PIH 2021-20</u> to revise the reporting guidance in Notice <u>PIH 2021-15</u>, which describes the allocation process and operating requirements for EHVs. Specifically, yesterday's notice sets forth new requirements for PHAs to report EHVs household data into HUD's existing Inventory Management System/PIH Information Center (<u>IMS/PIC</u>). It also updates the EHVs administrative fee eligibility requirements with regard to reporting in IMS/PIC.

As you recall, Section 15 of Notice PIH 2021-15 described HUD's initial plan to use the Public Housing Information Center – Next Generation (<u>PIC-NG</u>) system, the new information technology platform developed for the MTW Demonstration Program's expansion, to collect EHV tenant information as opposed to using the existing IMS/PIC system. However, Notice PIH 2021-20 states that given delays in the implementation of the new PIC-NG platform, the Department will collect EHV tenant information using its existing IMS/PIC system in the same way it currently collects tenant information for the Housing Choice Voucher (<u>HCV</u>) program. Once PIC-NG becomes available, HUD will notify PHAs participating in the EHV program of any special instructions for transitioning from IMS/PIC to PIC-NG.

More information, including administrative fee eligibility requirements, can be found in the <u>notice</u>. Additionally, an office hours session on EHV reporting will be held on July 27, 2021, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time. It will cover IMS/PIC, VMS, and FDS reporting requirements. To access this and other office hours and webinars provided for the EHV program, visit the <u>EHVs</u> webpage.

#### PH PROGRAM NEWS

# PIH Posts Op Sub Obligation Letters for July

HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing (PIH) has <u>posted</u> the public housing operating subsidy obligation letters for July. As usual, the letters to all PHAs in the same state are combined in a single file, which you can access through the map on <u>this webpage</u>. You'll find links to the obligation letters on the <u>2021 operating fund grant processing page</u> at the <u>operating fund website</u>.

### **GENERAL NEWS**

### U.S. Supreme Court Allows Eviction Moratorium to Remain in Place

On June 29, 2021, the United States Supreme Court <u>ruled</u> to continue a temporary stay on a lower court ruling seeking to overturn the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (<u>CDC</u>) <u>eviction moratorium</u>, implemented on September 4, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Therefore, the recently extended CDC eviction moratorium will remain in effect until July 31, 2021.

In a 5-4 <u>decision</u>, the court declined a request from a group of landlords and realtors to revoke the moratorium, which temporally prohibits landlords and owners from evicting any covered person from any residential property in any jurisdiction to which the order applies.

On May 5, a federal judge <u>threw out</u> the CDC eviction moratorium stating that it exceeded the CDC's authority. The Department of Justice (<u>DOJ</u>) sought an immediate emergency order to put the judge's decision on hold, arguing that evictions worsen the spread of COVID-19, and that the harm to the public that would result could not be undone.

### HUD Publishes Correction to AFFH Interim Final Rule

On June 23, 2021, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (<u>HUD</u>) published a <u>document</u> to correct an amendatory instruction appearing in its Restoring Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Definitions and Certifications <u>interim final rule</u>, published on June 10, 2021. In that document, HUD incorrectly referenced the *Federal Register* publication date for its interim final rule. For the convenience of the public, today's document republishes HUD's June 23, 2021, correction with the corrected publication dates.



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