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Welcome to the MULTIFAMILY HOUSING RENTAL HOUSING INTEGRITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (RHIIP) LISTSERV that brings you up-to-date RHIIP related publications, news, information and occupancy tips in an effort to help reduce errors in rent determinations and subsidy calculations.

HOMELESS PREFERENCE: Resources for Multifamily Property Owners and Agents

HUD Multifamily Housing is a key mainstream resource that can help local communities address homelessness. HUD has issued guidance on adopting a homeless admissions preference in multifamily properties that receive HUD project-based subsidies. To encourage property owners to adopt the preference, new resources are now available online that explain the benefits of the homeless preference, and answer questions about the simple steps to adopt the preference.

The short video <u>Multifamily Homeless Preference: Owners and Agents Share their</u> <u>Experience</u> (run time 4:37) features owners and agents of HUD-assisted multifamily properties who have successfully adopted the homeless preference at their properties. They explain how productive relationships with service providers and HUD partners have facilitated their adoption of the homeless preference, and share the positive impact they have seen the preference have on families and communities.

The webinar <u>Adopting a Multifamily Homeless Preference: An Overview for Property Owners</u> and Agents (run time 5:30) describes the benefits of adopting the preference, walks through the simple steps for property owners to adopt the preference, and provides answers to common questions about property owner flexibility and the option for owners to partner with local service providers to support families and individuals transitioning from homelessness.

The webinar Implementing a Homeless Preference in Multifamily Housing: An Overview for Continuums of Care and Service Providers (run time 10:34) gives an overview of how the homeless preference works in privately owned, HUD-subsidized multifamily properties, and explains the key role of Continuums of Care and local service providers — both in recruiting property owners to adopt the preference, and sustaining the homeless preference once implemented. The webinar offers best practices for creating an effective referral and services package to pair with the preference once it has been adopted, and provides a planning roadmap for local communities wishing to promote the preference.

Learn more about <u>new special and add-on management fees</u> now available for HUD assisted properties implementing a homeless preference.

Find homelessness assistance resources for Multifamily Housing owners and managers on <u>HUD Exchange</u>.

Sign up for the Office of Multifamily Housing Homeless Preference Mailing List.

You can view the RHIIP Tips Archives, under "Listserv-Multifamily RHIIP Tips" at http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/mfh/rhiip/mfhrhiip

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