

HUD PIH NOTICE 2020-13, PIH NOTICE 2020-33, PIH NOTICE 2021-14

Adopted HUD Waivers for Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Program- June 17, 2021

Public Housing Waivers:

1. PH-5: Community Service and Self-Sufficiency Requirement (CSSR)

Statutory Authority: Section 12(c) of the USHA of 1937

Regulatory Authority: 24 CFR 960.603(a) and 960.603(b)

- HUD is waiving the requirement that each qualifying adult resident of public housing must contribute 8 hours per month of community service or participate in an economic self-sufficiency program or a combination of both. A family's noncompliance with this service requirement is grounds for non-renewal of the lease at the end of the lease term. HUD is waiving this requirement and is alternatively suspending the community service and self-sufficiency requirement. If a PHA adopts this waiver, tenants will not be subject to this requirement at the family's next annual reexamination. Upon the family's next annual reexamination, PHAs should report on Form HUD-50058 each individual's CSSR status as either exempt for those that are exempt, or pending for those that are otherwise eligible but for which the suspension prevents a housing authority from determining compliance. After a PHA completes an annual reexamination for any family, the CSSR becomes effective again for family members for the subsequent annual reexamination cycle. This waiver is superseded by item **12e**.

2. 12e: Community Service and Self-Sufficiency Requirement (CSSR) Suspension

Statutory Requirement: Section 12(c) of the USHA of 1937

Regulatory Authority: 24 CFR 960.603(a), 960.603(b), 960.605(b)(3), 960.607, and 966.4(1)(2)(iii) (D)

- HUD is waiving this requirement and suspending enforcement of the CSSR in an effort to help prevent further spread of Covid-19. This suspension is effective for all adult residents of public housing and is not discretionary for PHAs. This waiver supersedes PH-5 and is applicable regardless of whether the PHA previously adopted PH-5. This waiver does not affect a PHA's prior implementation of PH-5. This waiver will continue the suspension for families for whom the CSSR was suspended under PH-5 in addition to suspending the requirement for all adult residents of public housing. HUD is establishing alternative administration requirements of the CSSR for each PHA operating a public housing program. This waiver is effective for all annual reexaminations completed between the publication date of this notice through April 30, 2022.

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“Expedited Regulatory Waivers for the Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Programs- December 9, 2021

1. SEMAP Score

Regulatory Authority: 24 CFR 985.105 and 24 CFR 985.101

- PHAs with a fiscal year end 03/31/2022, 06/30/2022 or 09/30/2022, may request to waive the application of SEMAP in its entirety, only if the PHA has a SEMAP indicator affected directly or indirectly because of the disruption to PHA operations caused by its adoption of available CARES Act waivers. HUD has approved this waiver on March 22, 2022. Expiration date: 12/31/2022.

2. Term of Voucher: Extensions of Term

Regulatory Authority: 24 CFR 982.303 (b) (1)

- Allows PHAs to grant family one or more extensions of the initial voucher term regardless of the policy described in the Administrative Plan. PHAs should ensure consistency with these requests and remain in compliance with the PHA’s informally adopted interim standard. HUD has approved this waiver on March 22, 2022. Expiration date: 12/31/2022.