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GENERAL NEWS

HUD Posts Webinar on HOTMA Asset Limitation

On the [HOTMA Resources](#) webpage, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) has [posted](#) a webinar on asset limitation. The video covers the following topics:

- Overview
- Compliance at admission
- Discretion at annual and interim reexaminations
 - Total nonenforcement, enforcement, limited enforcement, exceptions
- Details of asset limitation requirements
 - Net family assets threshold
 - Real property ownership (and qualifications)
- Termination or eviction requirements by program
- PHA written policy on the asset limitation

HUD Announces Part 3 of Section 3 Video Series

On the [HUD Exchange News](#) webpage, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) [announced](#) that [Part 3](#) of the [Section 3 video series](#) is now available. Part 3 provides an overview of registered apprenticeship programs (RAPs), pre-apprenticeship programs, and best practices and strategies for leveraging resources and partnerships to empower workers through quality training programs. Part 4 is forthcoming and will focus on compliance methods.

The four-part video series aims at providing Section 3 recipients with the basics needed to understand the Section 3 final rule requirements and learn implementation strategies to undertake qualitative efforts and meet the Section 3 benchmarks. For more information and resources on Section 3, visit the [Section 3 webpage](#).

DOJ Settles Sexual Harassment Suit against Alabama Landlord

In a [press release](#) last Friday, the Department of Justice ([DOJ](#)) announced that it has reached an agreement with a landlord who owned and managed rental properties in a mobile home park in Cullman, Alabama, to resolve a [Fair Housing Act](#) lawsuit alleging that he sexually harassed female tenants.

The lawsuit, filed in July 2018, alleged that since at least 2011, the landlord subjected female tenants and prospective tenants to a continuing pattern of egregious harassment, including demanding or pressuring female tenants to engage in sexual acts with him in exchange for rent or to prevent eviction, evicting female tenants when they refused his advances, making female tenants feel unsafe by stalking them and entering their residences without permission and making unwelcome sexual comments.

Under the agreement, the landlord will pay \$390,000 in damages to 12 women who rented or sought to rent homes from him and a civil penalty to the government. The agreement also prohibits the landlord from managing rental housing or contacting any of the women or their families.

HCV PROGRAM NEWS

HUD to Host Webinar on Best Practices in Landlord Engagement

On the [HCV program trainings and resources](#) webpage, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) announced that it will host a webinar titled "HCV Utilization - Best Practices in Landlord Engagement." The webinar will review the successful landlord engagement efforts taken in 2023, take participants through resources available to support local efforts, and discuss the outlook for landlord engagement in 2024. The live web conference is scheduled for Thursday, February 15, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern time. To register, click [here](#).

The HCV Utilization webinar series is intended to help Housing Choice Voucher ([HCV](#)) program administrators learn about the latest HCV resources, program guidance, policy changes, and best practices in HCV administration. You can watch previous webinars [here](#).



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