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HUD Posts List of Discretionary HOTMA Policies

Late yesterday on the [HOTMA Resources](#) webpage, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) posted a [list](#) of discretionary policies for public housing and the Housing Choice Voucher ([HCV](#)) program needed to implement the income and assets provisions (Section 102 and 104) of the Housing Opportunity Through Modernization Act of 2016 (HOTMA). The 18-page chart is organized by topic with related HOTMA policy background information and any necessary policy choices PHAs must make, where applicable. Topics include:

- The asset limitation for new admissions, and for interim and annual reexaminations
- Self-certification of real property ownership
- Self-certification of net family assets
- Hardship exemptions
- Permissive deductions
- De minimis errors in income determinations
- Interim reexaminations (decreases and increases in adjusted income, reporting changes and effective date)
- Revocation of consent form (Form HUD-9886)
- Income determination using "other means tested public assistance"
- Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) usage

The chart also provides additional information and guidance on preparing for HOTMA. As you know, PHAs must update their ACOPs and administrative plans to reflect the HOTMA rules and discretionary decisions by January 1, 2024, although PHAs have until January 1, 2025, to fully bring their programs into compliance. *Compliance* means administering all aspects of the affected programs in accordance with the [HOTMA final rule](#). HUD will publish a notice providing implementation guidance on Section 102 and Section 104 requirements later this summer. Further information and guidance on HOTMA implementation can be found on the [HOTMA Resources](#) webpage.



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