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HCV PROGRAM NEWS

HUD Posts Recording for HOTMA Voucher General HCV Provisions Webinar

On the [HCV Program Trainings and Resources](#) webpage, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) has posted the [recording](#) for the webinar titled "HOTMA Voucher General HCV Provisions" that was held on August 28, 2024.

The webinar focused on the general HCV provisions of the [HOTMA Voucher final rule](#). Specifically, the session covered HCV programmatic updates on payment standards, utility allowances, housing quality standards (HQS), special housing types, and information for when a family is selected. It also covered administrative plan updates and the effective and compliance dates set forth in Notice [PIH 2024-19](#). The [presentation slides](#) had been previously posted.

You'll find the links to the recording and slides on [this page](#) at HUD's website.

GENERAL NEWS

HUD Establishes Webpage for FSS Grant Program Notices

The Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) has established a [webpage](#) for the two Family Self-Sufficiency ([FSS](#)) Grant Program notices that were issued on September 25, 2024. The page includes key dates, steps that must be completed before applying for FSS funding, application instructions, and the schedule for weekly office hours on the FSS funding notice.

As you recall, HUD issued Notices [PIH 2024-32](#) and [PIH 2024-33](#) earlier this week. The first one outlines the general funding requirements and procedures for the FSS grant program, while the second one contains the specific application criteria and funding process for the fiscal year 2024 FSS competition.

HUD Announces \$48 Million in Housing Counseling Grants

In a [press release](#) yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) announced that it is awarding \$48 million to expand comprehensive housing counseling services for homebuyers, homeowners, and renters throughout the country.

HUD plans to award grants to more than 160 HUD-approved housing counseling agencies, state housing finance agencies, educational institutions, and national, regional, multistate, and nonprofit organizations. The award recipients include 14 HUD-approved housing counseling agencies partnering with Historically Black Colleges and Universities to provide educational resources to homeowners, homebuyers, and renters to help bridge the racial homeownership gap. Click [here](#) to see a complete list of the grant recipients.

HUD-approved housing counseling agencies assist homebuyers in evaluating their readiness for a home purchase and navigating through the homebuying process. They also help households find affordable rental housing, offer financial literacy training to individuals and families, and provide foreclosure prevention counseling.



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