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What's New

There's a new team in town and a new play book. This was never more evident than last week. News, announcements, goals and policies were the talk at both the TRACS Industry meeting and the [NLHA](#) conference.

[Carol Galante](#) spoke about ensuring HUD programs work more seamlessly with LIHTC's and making sure Rental Housing has a robust platform on HUD's agenda. She is committed to having programs and policies formed by the experiences of those working in the field everyday.

Gail Williamson shared the new and exciting changes in store for EIV. Improvements designed to streamline processes and relieve burdens for Users and Coordinators. See our ***EIV Alerts*** below for details.

Lanier Hylton's goal is to stop having paper transactions. HUD is changing the whole way they do business, he said. Look for improvements in communication, the way applications interface, and new system security standards being rolled out in 2009, 2010 and 2011.

The busy Secretary, [Shaun Donovan](#), stopped in to share his vision for true public/private partnerships, collaboration between government agencies and transparency at all levels.

Watch this space for the latest HUD happenings, courtesy of

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Calendar

July 17, 2009

Deadline for Applications to HUD for [Neighborhood Stabilization Grants](#)

July 30, 2009

Deadline for 2nd quarter recertification of Users in EIV

Looking Ahead

EIV Mandatory Use Implementation Deadline

Sept 30, 2009

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Next PIH REAC System Upgrade

Sept 11, 2009

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Free "How to Use EIV" Webcast from HUD

Tentatively Scheduled for October 21st-22nd

Register Here

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REAC Tip of the week - Sharp Edge Hazards

Did you know?

Sharp edge hazards are real concerns. While the point deduction during a REAC Inspection may be minimal (typically less than one point), we all know, every point counts.

For the safety of all, educate your residents, as the majority of these deficiencies are found inside units. A combination of your diligence and resident cooperation will keep the community safer for all.

Murphy Consulting knows quality REAC pre-inspectors who can walk your property with you in advance of an inspection, to assure you have addressed critical point problem areas. If you have never hired a pre-inspector, you are missing out on valuable insight.

[Contact us today for a referral!](#)

APPS Tip of the Week - Info Changes

Did you know?

To change your address in the HUD Secure System, you need access to APPS.

Do you have errors in ownership information on the FASSUB verification screen? Owner/agents can make these corrections in APPS, the Active Partners Performance System, under Edit Participant Detail.

Assure you have the proper User Actions and Roles set up in the HUD Secure System, so you have access to what you need to succeed.

[Murphy Consulting is here to help!](#)

EIV Training: Convenient & Cost-Effective

Unlock your access to the EIV System!

Our 2 hour interactive webinar on EIV, [designed specifically for Coordinators](#), includes forms, handouts, links, and follow-up Q & A with the instructor.

[5 Easy Steps to EIV Access](#) is being offered:

Wednesday, July 22nd 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (Eastern Daylight Time)

Wednesday, September 2nd 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (Eastern Daylight Time)

Register **HERE** today! Pay by credit card on-line or print your order and mail a check. Call 410-821-6953 with any registration questions.

Be prepared for the upcoming EIV mandate!

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S.A.V.E. Registration Still Open

Did you know?

Even if your property already has access to the SAVE system, you still need to designate one person to have access under DHS's new streamlined database.

For your convenience, HUD has negotiated a mass migration upload, but you must register for this. HUD tells us only a small percent of properties have taken advantage of this opportunity. What are you waiting for?

The deadline has been extended, but will not be available much longer.

CD-Rom Resources

Valuable resources, at a reasonable price, conveniently compiled on CD-Rom, are just one way Murphy Consulting helps businesses succeed.

[Click here](#) to check out our price on:

Inside HUD Inspector Training©

Preparing for REAC Inspections©

Appealing a REAC Score©

Helpful Links

[HUD's Recovery Act Web Site](#)

[HUD Local Office Directory](#)

[HUD Secure System Log In page](#)

[HUD Forms Database](#)

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HUD ASKS

HUD asks please

Do not send more than one time, the initial paper CAAF form for EIV Coordinator approval. Send one form per Coordinator, not one CAAF per property.

Do not send EIV Security Awareness Questionnaires to HUD. These are for your property files.

Do not send the Owner Authorization Letters for EIV Coordinators to HUD. These are for your property files.

If you have not already registered for S.A.V.E. access, register today by sending an e-mail to saveaccess@hud.gov with the following information:

- o Property Name
- o Property Address
- o City, State, zip code
- o Last name, First name
- o Phone number
- o Fax number
- o e-mail address

Only one person per property should register.

HUD will compile the information received and forward it to the Department of Homeland Security for uploading into the SAVE system. After the uploading is completed, each person that has been uploaded into the SAVE system will receive an email with their user ID and temporary password to access the SAVE system.

EIV Alerts

Coming Soon from the folks at the [Housing Assistance and Policy Division](#):

- A new **Resident's Rights Brochure** - explaining all your residents need to know about income certification, EIV and the HUD 9887 Authorization for Release of Information and Privacy Act Notice
- **EIV Rules of Behavior** and **Non-Disclosure Agreement** - the perfect tool to cover handling of sensitive data by auditors or employees who are not an authorized User or Coordinator
- **Annual Security Awareness Questionnaires** will be going paperless for both Coordinators and Users.
- **User Re-certifications** will be transitioned from a quarterly requirement to a bi-annual requirement

Stick with [Murphy Consulting](#) for more details and final release dates.

Share your Stories

Share Your REAC Inspection Stories

We would like to hear from you.

Tell us about a recent or past REAC inspection problem.

Share how you won a REAC appeal.

Pass along compliments or praise for a specific Inspector or local HUD office.

Tell us a topic you would like covered in a future issue of **APPS & REAC News and Notes**.

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