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May 29, 2020 2:31 PM from Thomas Bednar to all participants: For call-in audio: 1-855-797-9485 Access code: 610 976 677

May 29, 2020 2:32 PM from Harvinder Kaur Makkar to all participants: Good Afternoon Everyone!

May 29, 2020 2:32 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: @Susan. Good point!

May 29, 2020 2:32 PM from Harvinder Kaur Makkar to all participants: Can you explain new Additional Waivers for HOPWA. Thanks

May 29, 2020 2:33 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Tami Cole to all attendees:

Hello, I am looking for sample scope of services for the CARES Act funding

May 29, 2020 2:34 PM from Jennifer Fabbrini to all participants: During COVID-19, PSH providers may continue making due diligence efforts to reach out to 3rd parties to verify disability (as well as using the HUD waiver to allow for self-certification of disability). There may be cases where they are not able to obtain signatures on the Consent to Release or Obtain Information form. Can they note oral/verbal agreement from participants to consent, and obtain their signature at a later date? They are documenting this practice as part of their Emergency Recordkeeping Policies/Procedures.

May 29, 2020 2:36 PM from Rikki Gardner to all participants: Can you put the CDC landing page in the chat please?

May 29, 2020 2:36 PM from Emily Mosites to all participants:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/homeless-shelters/index.html>

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May 29, 2020 2:36 PM from Jeremy Hirsch to all participants: Question re: CDBG-CV funding: If we allocate funding to a particular activity and don't spend it all, can we re-allocate the funds to a different activity later (let's say, 6 months later), as long as it continues to meet CDBG-CV guidelines?

May 29, 2020 2:38 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Angela Drakes to all attendees:

ESG CV funding: Are the components of Legal services and Moving costs eligible activities?

May 29, 2020 2:38 PM from Amanda Sternberg to all participants: For the waiver lifting the 24 month RRH rental assistance until "local public health official has determined that special measures are no longer necessary to prevent the spread of COVID-19", it is up to our CoC locally to determine what these "special measures" are, based on what our local authorities are telling us? It seems there are many ways to interpret what "special measures" means.

May 29, 2020 2:40 PM from Justin Marino to all participants: Can we get a link to the podcasts in the chat pleas.

May 29, 2020 2:40 PM from Ebony Rankin to all participants: Spreaker:
<https://www.spreaker.com/show/self-care-for-va-homeless-program-staff>

May 29, 2020 2:40 PM from Thomas Bednar to all participants: Spreaker:
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Spotify:

https://open.spotify.com/show/50ScpnOR7mppwPZWI5MtXl?si=r5uZPYhbQAewYPwM_10IIA

Apple Podcasts:

<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/self-care-for-va-homeless-program-staff/id1511789829?uo=4>

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Google Podcasts:

<https://www.google.com/podcasts?feed=aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuc3ByZWFrZXIuY29tL3Nob3cvNDM3NTc2MC9lcGlzb2Rlcy9mZWVk>

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May 29, 2020 2:41 PM from Torrie Kopp Mueller to all participants: At Amanda Sternbert.....our local public health authority said special measures will need to be in place until there is a vaccine! So, I anticipate this waiver being in effect for quite some time.

May 29, 2020 2:41 PM from Anne Finn to all participants: Good Afternoon, are there any waivers for annual assessments outside of 30 day window?

May 29, 2020 2:43 PM from Suzie Tolmie to all participants: Would like ideas on how to forecast demand on rent/utility assistance when eviction moratoria end.

May 29, 2020 2:44 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Harvinder Kaur Makkar, the Office of HIV/AIDS Housing (OHH) has planned a webinar to go over these waivers that should be announced soon. Please check back at HUDEXchange.info for the latest information.

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Has HUD shared or do you plan to share any sample Prevention prioritization/assessment tools that you think help ensure folks use ESG Prevention funds for the most likely to become homeless "butr for"...We are familiar with the SSVF Prevention assessment and have seen a few others from various communities, but are curious if HUD has any in particiular they think are good/effective in targeting the \$. Thx

May 29, 2020 2:45 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Brenda Chamberlain to all attendees:

With putting folks into hotels and using HMIS to track it, what should the project type be? Should it be Emergency Shelter, or Transitional Housing since we are trying to move those folks into housing and not back to ES.

May 29, 2020 2:45 PM from Laura Munafo to all participants: For municipalites who have not received CV funding directly or any cares act funding directly, but have a very high homeless percentage in encampments and the shelters are full due to CDC social distancing guidance, what suggestions do you have on potential funding for long term funding and approach?

May 29, 2020 2:45 PM from Harvinder Kaur Makkar to all participants: Ok. Thanks

May 29, 2020 2:45 PM from Justin Marino to all participants: Hi Suzie, Our community is working on an online survey to distribute to our commkunity to forecast demand for housing needs after the moratorium ends. Also we are working on a landlord survey as well.

May 29, 2020 2:45 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Jeremy Hirsch, that guidance will be issued by the Office of Block Grant Assistance (OBGA). I recommend reaching out to your local field office. Further guidance in the form of a CDBG-CV Notice is forthcoming.

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May 29, 2020 2:47 PM from Denise Albertson to all participants: Will consideration be given to extend the CoC Waiver extending the 24 month limitation for RRH assistance to ESG RRH also?

May 29, 2020 2:47 PM from stephanie mejia to all participants: Hello! I have a couple of questions. Do we know if HUD will be releasing waivers for those with COVID contract funds anytime soon?

May 29, 2020 2:48 PM from Anna O'Toole to all participants: Are there any updates regarding the 2020 CoC funding competition? When should we anticipate NOFA release?

May 29, 2020 2:48 PM from Jeremy Hirsch to all participants: @Aaron Weaver - Thank you!

May 29, 2020 2:49 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Lauren Pareti to all attendees:

Can CoC RRH projects resume RA for participants who reached 24 months prior to 5/22 if the household will otherwise lose their housing?

May 29, 2020 2:49 PM from stephanie mejia to all participants: 2. For agencies with ESG COVID funds that do prevention assistance, can we accept 21-day notice "threat" letters from LLs before the moratorium is lifted (like now) or we have to wait until its closer to the date that the moratorium is lifted (August)? We have a high need in the community of people who have arrears and are trying to plan ahead. Some have arrears and have regained income stability and just want to take care of their arrears now because the storm in August.

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May 29, 2020 2:50 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Lauren Pareti to all attendees:

Must a recipient notify HUD of their intent to use the RRH case management waiver extension if they already notified HUD of intent to use the original waiver?

May 29, 2020 2:50 PM from Amanda Coleman to host (privately): Our community is an entitlement community. The City won't allow us to use any ESG-CV until the federal register is published. Any updates on when that will happen?

May 29, 2020 2:50 PM from Shaye Rabold to all participants: resending to all participants: Has HUD shared or do you plan to share any sample Prevention prioritization/assessment tools that you think help ensure folks use ESG Prevention funds for the most likely to become homeless "but for"...We are familiar with the SSVF Prevention assessment and have seen a few others from various communities, but are curious if HUD has any in particular they think are good/effective in targeting the \$. Thx

May 29, 2020 2:53 PM from Kelly Horne to all participants: Similar to a previous question-- Are there options for HUD to assist ESG-CV recipients in expediting the allocation of funding to non-profit grant recipients? In our CoC, we have been providing services since the start of the pandemic. We are getting into a bind with cash flow as the community partner implementing non-congregate shelter. We appreciate the relaxation of some requirements for citizen participation, but we are looking for additional assistance in getting ESG-CV reimbursements for expenses already incurred.

May 29, 2020 2:53 PM from Abby Miller to all participants: Hi Shaye--we are working on that! Haven't shared anything yet but should start to see materials that help in the coming weeks

May 29, 2020 2:54 PM from Charlotte Woody to all participants: Several churches in our area are hosting testing days at their churches. Not sure of the lab they are using, but if the church is interested in receiving COVID funds for the testing work, what do they need to provide in relation to the lab. Is there a listing of labs that have access to the tests used for COVID testing to ensure they are using one of the identified labs?

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May 29, 2020 2:54 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Jim Ward to all attendees:

Has HUD given consideration to multiple prioritization standards in a single CoC?

May 29, 2020 2:55 PM from Charlotte Woody to all participants: The church is not working in partnership with the Health Department who is also conducting COVID testing.

May 29, 2020 2:55 PM from Amy Stewart to all participants: ditto Anna OToole re 2020 NOFA Competition news

May 29, 2020 2:56 PM from Lauren Pareti to all participants: Will there be a process to enable projects who executed a grant agreement amendment during the period specified in the waiver memo who wish to apply at the amended BLIs to do so, regardless of whether or not the reason for the ammendment was COVID related?

May 29, 2020 2:56 PM from Lauren Pareti to all participants: Resubmitting to All Participants:

May 29, 2020 2:56 PM from Jennifer Fabbrini to all participants: As some states are moving into different phases of re-opening, at what point will HUD indicate a last date to submit any expedited amendments? Or will it remain open till we are further down the path of recovery?

May 29, 2020 2:56 PM from Lauren Pareti to all participants: Must a recipient notify HUD of their intent to use the RRH case management waiver extension if they already notified HUD of intent to use the original waiver?

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May 29, 2020 2:59 PM from Amy Stewart to all participants: Ditto @S Mejia re eviciton prevention and not waiting until so close to eviction and re arrears

May 29, 2020 2:59 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Tanya Tehotu to all attendees:

Can I get a copy power points

May 29, 2020 2:59 PM from Anna O'Toole to all participants: Similar to above: if the ESG recipient notified HUD of intent to use FMR waiver under the mega waiver memo, must they re-notify HUD of intent to use FMR waiver for ESG-CV funds as well?

May 29, 2020 3:00 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Laura Munafo, (depending on the program) the CARES Act allows grantees to incur costs from the date they began to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19. Thus, the lack of an executed agreement does not prevent you from undertaking activities to address the pandemic.

May 29, 2020 3:00 PM from Natalie Matthews to all participants: @ Tanya Tehotu: The slides will be posted to the HUD Exchange next week
(<https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/diseases/#covid-19-webinars-and-office-hours>)

May 29, 2020 3:02 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Juanita Perry to all attendees:

@ Jim Ward: I am asumming that you are asking whether a community can have multiple prioritization criteria. If so, then this OK. If this not what you meant, please clarify your questions. I hope this helps.

May 29, 2020 3:03 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Stephanie Mejia, can you provide more information? Are you referring to the ESG-CV and CDBG-CV Notices?

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May 29, 2020 3:05 PM from stephanie mejia to all participants: HI Aaron, I'm referring to ESG CV

May 29, 2020 3:05 PM from Anne Finn to all participants: Hi any waiver to client annual assessments outside of 30 day window??

May 29, 2020 3:06 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Jim Ward to all attendees:

I am talking distinct prioritization standards in multiple communities, across a wide geographic area. Hopefully that is more clear! Thank you.

May 29, 2020 3:06 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Aretha Pereira to all attendees:

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May 29, 2020 3:07 PM from Shaye Rabold to all participants: @Abby Miller-thanks so much. I thought I hadnt seen anything from you all yet, but just wanted to make sure. Thx!

May 29, 2020 3:07 PM from Kexin Ma to all participants: I would suggest HUD TA provide virtual trainings and record the training for things like progressive engagement, diversion strategies. And create some sort of prevention assessment that could be adoptable to communities. Instead of each community come up with tool, at least it will help get us started. Community could then revise the tool to their own community need.

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May 29, 2020 3:07 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Lauren Pareti, yes. The waivers outlined in the May 22nd memo are subject to the same notification process as that outlined in the March 31st memo. The extension is considered a second waiver and thus requires another notification.

May 29, 2020 3:08 PM from Denise Albertson to all participants: Our CE is set up through HMIS and is currently set up to divert prevention clients out - should we change our workflow to now accept prevention clients? If we do that is that just a temporary change that will revert back to just homeless clients after the pandemic is over?

May 29, 2020 3:08 PM from Shawn Hayes to all participants: I know the slides will be posted, but are there guidance documents available regarding Coordinated Entry prioritization that follow the information in these slides? Could there be?

May 29, 2020 3:10 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from kelley moss-brown to all attendees:

In regards to reopening is there a central place where we can order PPE Equipment for staff and clients. Having difficulty finding affordable mask and unable to find themonitors.

May 29, 2020 3:11 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Kate Tettamant to all attendees:

Many PSH grants are configured for roommates. If one roommate needs to isolate due to COVID, is that person eligible for ESG or ESG CV funding to assist with isolation and quarantine?

May 29, 2020 3:11 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Anna O'Toole, yes. The May 22nd waivers apply to ESG-CV whereas the initial Mega Waiver issued on March 31st did not.

May 29, 2020 3:11 PM from Amy Stewart to all participants: ditto re roommates in PSH. plz?

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May 29, 2020 3:14 PM from Karen Byron to all participants: It would be great to hear how people have used the CV funding by combining sources, thinking creatively, doing things they perhaps wanted to do in the past but couldn't, and if this is because needs have risen to the surface that were unanticipated, or were known challenges, but the depth of the challenge wasn't apparent until now.

May 29, 2020 3:14 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Juanita Perry to all attendees:

@ Jim Ward: So your prioritization criteria has to be uniformed. Meaning that all communities under a CoC must apply those standards across the board. It cannot be used in one community and not the other.

May 29, 2020 3:14 PM from Suzie Tolmie to all participants: Amen, sister, to Karen.

May 29, 2020 3:14 PM from Stacey Warner to all participants: Are you recommending that communities use these types of prevention screening tools for COVID assistance specific community funds?

May 29, 2020 3:15 PM from kerry steadman to all participants: Could you provide the link to the SSVF prevention tool (assessment)?

May 29, 2020 3:15 PM from Thomas Bates to all participants:
https://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/ssvf/docs/SSVF_Homelessness_Prevention_Screening_Toolkit_v2_Website.pdf

May 29, 2020 3:15 PM from Thomas Bates to all participants: I think that is it

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May 29, 2020 3:16 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Stephanie Mejia the second mega-wavier issued on 5/22 extends the ESG waivers outlined in the March 31st waiver to ESG-CV funds. The 5/22 memo can be found here:
file:///C:/Users/H48919/AppData/Local/Microsoft/Windows/INetCache/Content.Outlook/AUAK291H/COVID-19%20Mega%20Waiver2_5.1.2020_Final_5.20.2020-signed%20JG.pdf

May 29, 2020 3:16 PM from Anna Jones to all participants: Can you please post the link for the May 22nd waivers memo

May 29, 2020 3:17 PM from Stacey Warner to all participants: Risk of COVID - coming from large manufacturing, factory, meat packing plants

May 29, 2020 3:17 PM from Rebecca Hickom to all participants: In a BoS setting, it is very hard to have uniform prioritization criteria across multiple regions. How do we target resources when each region has such very different needs, available resources, populations without regional prioritization criteria?

May 29, 2020 3:17 PM from Abby Miller to all participants: our friends in Canada have done great work on prevention that we're learning from and leaning on--check it out here: <https://homelesshub.ca/solutions/prevention>

May 29, 2020 3:18 PM from stephanie mejia to all participants: @aaron great that helps. thank you for answering that q!

May 29, 2020 3:18 PM from Julie Montgomery to all participants: May 22nd Memo:
https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/CPD/documents/Additional_Waivers_for_CPD_Grant_Programs_to_Prevent_COVID-19_Spread_and_Mitigate_COVID-19_Economic_Impacts.pdf

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May 29, 2020 3:19 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Juanita Perry to all attendees:

@Shawn Hayes: I believe that we have a final product that addresses CE Prioritization during CV-19 posted. Here is a link: <https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/Changes-to-Coordinated-Entry-Prioritization-to-Support-and-Respond-to-COVID-19.pdf>

May 29, 2020 3:19 PM from Amanda Slater to all participants: Does enhanced front desk security in PSH (to limit guests in congregate settings & limit potential exposure to COVID) qualify as a COVID-related expense??

May 29, 2020 3:19 PM from Shawn Hayes to all participants: @Juanita Perry thank you!

May 29, 2020 3:19 PM from Anna Jones to all participants: thank you @Julie Montgomery !

May 29, 2020 3:20 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Jessica Izquierdo to all attendees:

The example ESG-CV award letter said funds could be used to cover or reimburse allowable costs incurred by a State or locality before the award of funding (including prior to signing of CARES Act). Has any guidance been given yet explaining how far back we can go (Federal State of Emergency declared or when our State declared the State of Emergency)? I was told in a HUD Office Hours back on 4/14/20 that an ESG-CV notice would be sent out to establish those requirements and answer my question, but I have not seen anything yet. Has anything been sent out, or are we still waiting on that? If we are still waiting, any idea how long before we will get more guidance?

May 29, 2020 3:20 PM from Abby Miller to all participants: @shawn hayes--we just put up one-pager as well that focuses specifically on equity-driven changes in CE: <https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6041/covid-19-homeless-system-response-equitydriven-changes-to-coordinated-entry-prioritization/>

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May 29, 2020 3:22 PM from Shawn Hayes to all participants: Thank you Abby!

May 29, 2020 3:24 PM from Beth Sharber to all participants: Agree with @Jessica. When will the ESG-CV Notices go out to the States? We have not received guidance in TN.

May 29, 2020 3:25 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Jessica Izquierdo that guidance will be outlined in the forthcoming Notice. If I recall correctly, I believe last week Norm stated that it would be issued in the coming weeks. Aside from that we don't have a timeline.

May 29, 2020 3:27 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Kelley Moss-Brown, I'd recommend reaching out to your local emergency management agency.

May 29, 2020 3:27 PM from stephanie mejia to all participants: ESG CV Funds- Can we start assisting people with arrears now or we have to wait until the moratorium is lifted?

May 29, 2020 3:28 PM from Susan Pourciau to all participants: Some local governments also received CRF \$\$\$. Big money.

May 29, 2020 3:28 PM from Amanda Coleman to host (privately): States and local governments are very reluctant to allow us to spend ahead, even though it is permitted because they are concerned there will be something in the register that will result in them needing to repay spent funds.

May 29, 2020 3:28 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Jessica Izquierdo to all attendees:

@ Aaron Weaver - Thank you!

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May 29, 2020 3:30 PM from Jill Spangler to all participants: Can you describe the CRF funds - what they need to be spent for, who decides, etc.? I know they have to be spent this year.

May 29, 2020 3:30 PM from Amy Stewart to all participants: Ditto @Mejia re rental arrears

May 29, 2020 3:30 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from kelley moss-brown to all attendees:
thank you

May 29, 2020 3:31 PM from Amy Stewart to all participants: Ditto @Spangler re CRF parameters

May 29, 2020 3:31 PM from Susan Pourciau to all participants: Here's the CRF website that gives lots of info: <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/cares/state-and-local-governments>

May 29, 2020 3:31 PM from Jill Spangler to all participants: Thanks, Susan!

May 29, 2020 3:32 PM from Robert Pulster to all participants:
<https://nhchc.org/directory/> The HCH State/Community Directory is intended to foster collaboration and communication among federally-funded Health Care for the Homeless projects, and to provide a starting point to finding health care resources for people experiencing homelessness.

May 29, 2020 3:34 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Anne Finn, as of right now, I'm not aware of any additional waiver related to this requirement. However, I'd strongly encourage you reach out to your local HUD field office on this.

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May 29, 2020 3:38 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Lauren Pareti, the text of the May 22nd memo states, "The requirement that the renewal grant amount be based on the budget line items in the final year of the grant being renewed is waived for all projects that amend their grant agreement between March 31, 2020 and October 1, 2020 to move funds between budget line items in a project in response to the COVID-19 pandemic [emphasis added]." Thus, amendments not related to COVID-19 would carry forward to the following renewal cycle.

May 29, 2020 3:39 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Lauren Pareti - it appears the emphasis didn't display correctly. Essentially, the key phrase in that text is "in response to the COVID-19 pandemic."

May 29, 2020 3:43 PM from Josh Levin to all participants: Last week you mentioned that the House version of the HEROES Act would automatically extend the CoC program by one year-- did that not make it into the final legislation? Thanks

May 29, 2020 3:46 PM from stephanie mejia to all participants: Will ESG be able to get the same extension for clients who are in 24 months and need more assistance? Or is that not likely?

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May 29, 2020 3:47 PM from Shaye Rabold to all participants: I didnt hear the full question and answer about what to do with people approaching thier 24 month period in TH...but one option if it wasnt mentioned was to take advantage of the PSH DedicatedPlus Waiver that allows people exiting TH to be eligible even if the TH is not being eliminated or part of a Joint Project. The person would still have to meet the other criteria of DP/PSH, but it's an option...

May 29, 2020 3:48 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Amanda Sternberg, if I recall correctly, Norm addressed this in the call last week. Essentially, you are correct in that the grantee must determine what constitutes “special measures” and document this in its emergency policies and procedures.

May 29, 2020 3:48 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Brenda Chamberlain to all attendees:

@NORM I second @joshlevin. Last week you mentioned that the House version of the HEROES Act would automatically extend the CoC program by one year-- did that not make it into the final legislation? Thanks

May 29, 2020 3:48 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Angela Drakes, activities eligible under the standard ESG program are generally eligible under ESG-CV. However, ESG-CV provides for additional flexibilities and more guidance is forthcoming vis-à-vis the ESG-CV Notice.

May 29, 2020 3:50 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Chris Johnson to all attendees:

What are other communities doing to prepare for those first time homeless families and individuals that might enter the system once eviction moratoriums are lifted and prevention strategies failed? This is something our CoC is discussing, trying to locate capacity in the system for light touch families to land and how to ensure they do not remain in homelessness long term, mimizing trauma and moving them back into housing as quickly as possible without impacting our current interventions for those long term high acuity people. We are looking for creative capacity ideas!

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May 29, 2020 3:50 PM from Josh Levin to all participants: Thanks!

May 29, 2020 3:50 PM from Amanda Sternberg to all participants: For the waiver allowing people who were chronically homeless upon entry into TH to be eligible for DedicatedPLUS even if TH is not being eliminated: Is there a timeframe where this waiver will end and we'll have to go back to the NOFA definition of DedPlus? Or does this waiver last until the project is renewed under the FY2020 NOFA?

May 29, 2020 3:51 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Valorie Carson to all attendees:

Yeah - School House Rock reference - way to go Norm!

May 29, 2020 3:51 PM from Kristi Schott to all participants: Love the reference as well, Conjunction Junction

May 29, 2020 3:51 PM from Maria Davis to all participants: I'm just a bill, sitting on capital hill...

May 29, 2020 3:52 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: You outted us old folks

May 29, 2020 3:53 PM from Catherine Hara to all participants: Will there be an updated form for the newer mega waivers?

May 29, 2020 3:54 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Catherine Hara, grantees should utilize the same notification process outlined in the March 31st mega-waiver. See the attachment to the May 22nd waiver for more details.

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May 29, 2020 3:54 PM from Jennifer Fabbrini to all participants: @Ebony - thank you for the response on 24 month extensions for TH! We are curious if HUD would consider a waiver for this to alleviate the need for providers to go through case by case extensions.

May 29, 2020 3:55 PM from Catherine Hara to all participants: Right,, I received a form with the March 31st waivers listed, so they could be checked and sent back to HUD. Was wondering if there was an updated form with the May 22nd waivers listed.

May 29, 2020 3:55 PM from Kristi Schott to all participants: To clarify, we can use COC funding for Wifi?

May 29, 2020 3:56 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: Here's the website: <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/coc/covid-19-grant-agreement-amendments/>

May 29, 2020 3:56 PM from Kristi Schott to all participants: Through a temporary amendment

May 29, 2020 3:56 PM from Aretha Pereira to all participants: Thank you!

May 29, 2020 3:56 PM from Chris Johnson to all panelists: What are other communities doing to prepare for those first time homeless families and individuals that might enter the system once eviction moratoriums are lifted and prevention strategies failed? This is something our CoC is discussing, trying to locate capacity in the system for light touch families to land and how to ensure they do not remain in homelessness long term, minimizing trauma and moving them back into housing as quickly as possible without impacting our current interventions for those long term high acuity people. We are looking for creative capacity ideas!

May 29, 2020 3:56 PM from Amanda Stadler to all participants: Thank you for expediting the process for amendments!

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May 29, 2020 3:57 PM from Karen Byron to all participants: Thank you as always. These office hours are so helpful.

May 29, 2020 3:57 PM from Jeremy Hirsch to all participants: Thank you!

May 29, 2020 3:58 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Catherine Hara that form was likely created by the CoC as I'm not aware of any form created by HUD for that aside from the attachments to the Memos.

May 29, 2020 3:58 PM from Abt Associate to all panelists: from Heidi Marine to all attendees:

Thank you so much

May 29, 2020 3:58 PM from Amanda Slater to all participants: Thank you!

May 29, 2020 3:58 PM from Beth Sharber to all participants: Many thanks to ALL!

Q&A Session for COVID-19 Office Hours

-Leslie Klusmire - 2:32 PM

Q: How do we handle indirect costs for HOPWA Cares Act allocation grant budget? (only specifies "admin" costs)

Priority: N/A-

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-Amy Stewart - 3:07 PM

Q: Cincy OH-500 encourages HUD to press Congress to lift match requirement on FY 18 and forward CoC funds. Thanks!

Priority: N/A-

-Amy Stewart - 3:18 PM

Q: Cincy OH-500, we've not received specific word on our UFA status. Our UFA grant was included in our award letter, but we've not received the specific approval yet as of yesterday. Any word on when we might expect or word if there is a problem? Thanks

Priority: N/A-

-Amanda Slater - 3:20 PM

Q: Does enhanced front desk security in PSH (to limit guests in congregate settings & limit potential exposure to COVID) qualify as a COVID-related expense under the CoC program?

Priority: N/A-

-Amy Stewart - 3:45 PM

Q: Thanks SNAPS - mainly just wanted to make sure there wasn't a specific problem with our request.

Priority: N/A-