

COVID-19 Office Hours: Chat and Q&A Log

April 14th, 2020

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April 14, 2020 1:29 PM from Martika Baker to all participants: Martika Baker from Pensacola, FL

April 14, 2020 1:29 PM from Araceli Pea to all participants: Hello from Sunny California

April 14, 2020 1:29 PM from Mary Thompson to host (privately): Hello, Mary Thompson Dardanelle Arkansas

April 14, 2020 1:29 PM from Jennifer Jones to all participants: Jennifer from Oak Park IL

April 14, 2020 1:29 PM from Kelly Mierkowski to host (privately): Hello from Jacksonville-Duval County, FL

April 14, 2020 1:29 PM from Norm Suchar to all participants: Hello Everyone, welcome to the session. We'll be starting shortly.

April 14, 2020 1:29 PM from Kenneth Hartman to all participants: Good morning from Santa Monica, CA!

April 14, 2020 1:29 PM from Lucero Montoya to host (privately): Good Morning/Afternoon all. Lucero from San Bernardino, CA

April 14, 2020 1:29 PM from sonia hine to host (privately): Hello all Sonia from Fairfield CT

April 14, 2020 1:30 PM from Amanda Methot to all participants: Hello from Portland, ME

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April 14, 2020 Oklahoma City	1:30 PM	from Stacy Tarpley to all participants:	Hi everyone from
April 14, 2020 NY-508	1:30 PM	from Dale Zuchlewski to all participants:	Hello from Buffalo NY
April 14, 2020	1:30 PM	from melissa stevenson to host & presenter:	no sound
April 14, 2020	1:30 PM	from Marie Lopez to all panelists:	Can't hear you
April 14, 2020 Collins, CO	1:30 PM	from Tatiana Zentner to all participants:	Hello from Fort
April 14, 2020 on mute?	1:30 PM	from Sherluna Vien to host & presenter:	I think the speaker is
April 14, 2020 TX	1:30 PM	from Carolyn Curry to all participants:	Hello from Fort Worth
April 14, 2020 County, GA!	1:31 PM	from Eryca Fambro to all participants:	Hello from Gwinnett
April 14, 2020 can not hear them either	1:31 PM	from Beth Driggers to all participants:	Hello from Virginia,
April 14, 2020 or computer	1:31 PM	from Doug Tetrault to host & presenter:	I can't hear on phone
April 14, 2020	1:31 PM	from Kate Bennett to all participants:	Hi from Austin, TX!

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April 14, 2020 1:31 PM from Brett Esders to all panelists: natalie we can't hear you

April 14, 2020 1:31 PM from Nena Murphy to all participants: Hello from San Antonio, TX. Is there something I need do do for audio?

April 14, 2020 1:31 PM from Shareca Swan to all participants: Good Morning Everyone, LA,CA

April 14, 2020 1:31 PM from Nancy Griffin to all participants: hello from louisville, ky

April 14, 2020 1:31 PM from Julie Bliss to host (privately): no audio

April 14, 2020 1:31 PM from ERICKA BRANCH to all participants: Hello Ericka Branch from Cook County of Illinois Deparetment of Planning and Development

April 14, 2020 1:31 PM from Martha Taylor to all participants: Martha Taylor MA-503 Cape Cod and Islands CoC

April 14, 2020 1:31 PM from Samantha Carpio to host & presenter: There it is.... I can HEAR :)

April 14, 2020 1:31 PM from sonia hine to host (privately): still can't hear

April 14, 2020 1:31 PM from leti7tia to all panelists: can't get audio

April 14, 2020 1:32 PM from Nena Murphy to all participants: Thank you! Audio is available on my computer.

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April 14, 2020	1:32 PM	from Karen Kowal to all participants:	Hi all! Karen from All Chicago at IL-520
April 14, 2020	1:32 PM	from Michele Rutayuga to all participants:	Hi everyone. From Springfield, Missouri
April 14, 2020	1:32 PM	from Darlene Spoor to host (privately):	Darlene from northern california
April 14, 2020	1:32 PM	from Elizabeth Bioteau to all participants:	RI-500: Rhode Island statewide CoC
April 14, 2020	1:33 PM	from sonia hine to host (privately):	Can everyone hear? I cannot
April 14, 2020	1:33 PM	from TIMOTHY WEST to all participants:	Winston-Salem, NC
April 14, 2020	1:33 PM	from Christianna Knights to all participants:	Hi from Central MS!
April 14, 2020	1:33 PM	from Darlene Spoor to host (privately):	no sound here
April 14, 2020	1:33 PM	from Esra Heisey to all participants:	Elkhart, IN :) Lacasa INC
April 14, 2020	1:34 PM	from Debra Hendren to all participants:	Hi, I understand the need to have some waivers under CoC and some under ESG but are the CoC waivers also applicable to ESG programs (specifically the HQS inspection ones). I think everything else was covered specificaly under both.
April 14, 2020	1:34 PM	from Thomas Bednar to sonia hine (privately):	You should be able to hear now

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April 14, 2020 Chattanooga, TN	1:34 PM	from Wendy Winters to all participants:	Hello from
April 14, 2020 Gorda Florida	1:34 PM	from Angela Hogan to all participants:	Hello from Punta
April 14, 2020 CA! Housing Navigation	1:34 PM	from Robert Santis to all participants:	Hello from South LA,
April 14, 2020	1:34 PM	from Suzie Tolmie to host (privately):	Suzie Tolmie in Nashville. Trying to connect to audio using computer, but my radar circle is still a-goin'.
April 14, 2020	1:34 PM	from tamara marthens to host (privately):	Hi from San Diego !
April 14, 2020 NM	1:34 PM	from linda simon to host (privately):	Hello from Bernalillo
April 14, 2020	1:34 PM	from Sarah Isaak to all participants:	do the waivers apply only to CARES Act funding? or the regular allocation as well?
April 14, 2020 Salvation Army in Tulsa, Oklahoma	1:34 PM	from Chris Snuffer to all participants:	Hello from The
April 14, 2020	1:34 PM	from Jennifer Hiros to all participants:	Hi from New Jersey
April 14, 2020 Lancaster PA	1:35 PM	from Michael Foley to all participants:	Mike Foley PA-510

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April 14, 2020 1:35 PM from James Cruickshank to all participants: will slides be distributed?

April 14, 2020 1:35 PM from libby tyre to all participants: are we able to get an extension for COC APR due dates? I didn't see APRs mentioned in the waivers

April 14, 2020 1:35 PM from Donata Patrick to all participants: Will there be a recap of the questions and answers on the web?

April 14, 2020 1:35 PM from Kristi Schott to all participants: Hello from NH 500

April 14, 2020 1:35 PM from Jocelyn Morales to all participants: Does the 1 year lease requirement apply to rental assistance programs as well?

April 14, 2020 1:35 PM from Denise Albertson to host (privately): the number listed is ringing busy

April 14, 2020 1:35 PM from Dawn Poindexter to all participants: here from Springfield, MO

April 14, 2020 1:35 PM from Karen Kowal to all participants: Go Aaron! Buckeyes... :(

April 14, 2020 1:35 PM from Nicole Maggiotta to all participants: Hi from Long Island, NY

April 14, 2020 1:35 PM from carolyn noble to all participants: Will we be able to print the documents after the webinar?

April 14, 2020 1:35 PM from Reuben Vicente to all participants: Greetings from Ingelwood, CA

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April 14, 2020 1:35 PM from Melissa Holsinger to all participants: is there a call in number

April 14, 2020 1:35 PM from Ebony Rankin to all participants: Jocelyn, it applies to RRH and PSH

April 14, 2020 1:36 PM from Karen King to all participants: Karen King from CMHA

April 14, 2020 1:36 PM from Stacy Tarpley to all participants: When will we receive grant agreements for the supplemental funding? Should we enter into agreements with subrecipients for ESG-CV and HOPWA-CV before we receive the funds from HUD?

April 14, 2020 1:36 PM from Thomas Bednar to all panelists: Please make sure to say "next slide" so that I get the right slide up for you :)

April 14, 2020 1:36 PM from Dana Derderian-Ibarra to all participants: Can you talk about PSH recertifications and if they can be waived, delayed, etc.

April 14, 2020 1:37 PM from Denise Albertson to host (privately): Can you please provide the call in information?

April 14, 2020 1:37 PM from Amanda Rosado to all participants: When the term recipient is used, can that also apply to the subrecipient? So is the documentation required by the recipient and subrecipient?

April 14, 2020 1:37 PM from carolyn noble to all participants: Will Slides be available after presentation????

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April 14, 2020 1:37 PM from Ebony Rankin to all participants: You can send CDBG questions here: CPDQQuestionsAnswered@hud.gov

April 14, 2020 1:37 PM from Micah Snead to all participants: To clarify, strongly encouraged NOT required and template/example coming

April 14, 2020 1:38 PM from Erica Moniz to host (privately): Won't the FMR waiver create an issue when the lease expires? FMR will be higher, then we will be asking landlords to reduce rent back down to FMR because the waiver will have expired??

April 14, 2020 1:38 PM from Cayla DeChane to all participants: Can programs temporarily expand our use of CoC funds to rapidly re-housing those fleeing DV (Category 1 and/or Category 4) who present to us, concurrent to the referrals we accept through the CE system?

April 14, 2020 1:39 PM from Jennifer Hiros to all participants: Is this for HOME

April 14, 2020 1:39 PM from Rikki Gardner to all participants: This waiver states "The FMR restriction is waived for any lease executed by a recipient or subrecipient to provide transitional or permanent supportive housing during the 6-month period beginning on the date of this memorandum." Can it be used for RRH projects?

April 14, 2020 1:39 PM from Saskia Garcia to all participants: The waivers are for CoC and ESG funds - How would you recommend finding out if the Waiver applies to other Federal, State or County Funds? Such as HEAP, CDBG, Community Services Funds

April 14, 2020 1:40 PM from Jennifer Jones to all participants: will this slide show be available online?

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April 14, 2020 1:40 PM from Amanda Rosado to all participants: Can it be self-certification OR staff observation?

April 14, 2020 1:40 PM from Jennifer Hiros to all participants: OK thanks

April 14, 2020 1:40 PM from Erica Moniz to host (privately): If we EXCEED FMR with ESG & CoC PSH Leasing, landlords will expect that same rent in the coming year. How does HUD expect this to be addressed?

April 14, 2020 1:41 PM from Kathaleen Kokotilo to all participants: For the exceeding FMR Regulatory Requirement – what happens at the end of the 6 months if the lease is for longer than 6 months?

April 14, 2020 1:41 PM from Ben Cattell Noll to all participants: Must the documentation include self-certification of disability, or is staff certification enough?

April 14, 2020 1:41 PM from Norm Suchar to all panelists: We're getting a lot of questions about CDBG. We won't be able to answer those on the call today. If you have a question, you can submit it to CPDQuestionsAnswered@hud.gov.

April 14, 2020 1:41 PM from lenelle suliguin to all participants: immigration status for CDBG/HOME beneficiaries?

April 14, 2020 1:41 PM from Norm Suchar to all participants: We're getting a lot of questions about CDBG. We won't be able to answer those on the call today. If you have a question, you can submit it to CPDQuestionsAnswered@hud.gov.

April 14, 2020 1:41 PM from Natalie Matthews to all participants: If you would like to call in, please use: 415-655-0002, 610-904-990. Thank you.

April 14, 2020 1:42 PM from erin rutherford to all participants: what if a client doesn't have ability to print a document and sign to send you electronically

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April 14, 2020 1:42 PM from ERICKA BRANCH to all participants: I Just got a question today from a ESG Subrecipient regarding Habibility Inspections, hopefully we will cover this.

April 14, 2020 1:42 PM from carolyn noble to all participants: OK several attendees are asking... will we get the documents/slides after the presentation???

April 14, 2020 1:42 PM from rhys williams to all participants: Currently the waiver only removes the HQS and 3 months re-evaluation requirements for the CoC program. will this be expanded to the ESG program. We have homelessness prevention providers who are uncorfotable requiring inspectors to go out and check housing standards prior to providing assitance.

April 14, 2020 1:42 PM from lenelle suliguin to all participants: if we use CDBG for rental assistance, are there property inspections and rent reasonableness requirements?

April 14, 2020 1:42 PM from Kate Bennett to all participants: Does the arrears apply towards the 24 monht max of rental assistance?

April 14, 2020 1:42 PM from Sue Tracy to all participants: Can rental/utility arrears in collections be paid?

April 14, 2020 1:42 PM from Susan Taylor to all participants: There seems to be an issue with the audio

April 14, 2020 1:43 PM from Kathaleen Kokotilo to all participants: How is "utility arrears" defined/what utilities are considered eligible costs?

April 14, 2020 1:43 PM from lenelle suliguin to all participants: what consultation/coordination requirements are there for CoC and entitlement jurisdictions?

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April 14, 2020 1:43 PM from Carl Epley to all participants: This is going to fast

April 14, 2020 1:43 PM from Susan Pourciau to all participants: @Deborah - ESG is the standard annual ESG allocation, while ESG-CV is ESG funding from the CARES Act. ESG-CV has special provisions, so the rules are different for the ESG versus the ESG-CV.

April 14, 2020 1:44 PM from Kelvin Brown to all panelists: Do these waivers apply only to these new ESG/ CDBG grants or existing grants as well?

April 14, 2020 1:44 PM from Debra Hendren to all participants: so for case managmeent you are not counting face to face as meeting vitis requirements?

April 14, 2020 1:44 PM from David Kessel to all participants: Can back utilities be paid from COC Leasing budget category.

April 14, 2020 1:44 PM from Susan Taylor to all participants: Is anyone else having an issue with the audio????

April 14, 2020 1:44 PM from Erica Moniz to host (privately): Please share link to thiese slides after call. TY!

April 14, 2020 1:45 PM from Amy Wilson to all participants: I have no audio

April 14, 2020 1:45 PM from Amanda Rosado to all panelists: Can Aaron slow down? It's so fast. I'm missing so much of this.

April 14, 2020 1:45 PM from Susan Taylor to all participants: Thanks Eric, but the audio is awful here in Baltimore. I am hearing every other word.

April 14, 2020 1:45 PM from David Kessel to all participants: Does this waiver of HQS also apply to ESG inspections?

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April 14, 2020 1:45 PM from Shayna Jennings Weider to all participants: Are photos acceptable for HQS inspections, or does it have to be video?

April 14, 2020 1:46 PM from Jocelyn Morales to all participants: Does this also apply to rental assistance programs?

April 14, 2020 1:47 PM from Isabella Wilson to all participants: So, as Program Sponsors, we need to wait for the Grantee, correct?

April 14, 2020 1:47 PM from Andrew Dearing to host (privately): can CoC sub-recipients submit

April 14, 2020 1:47 PM from Michelle Mel-Duch to all participants: Does UFA have to submit individual waiver?

April 14, 2020 1:47 PM from Dennis Bowman to all participants: Any waivers for Environmental Reviews?

April 14, 2020 1:47 PM from Jeffery Gabbert to all participants: PLEASE see that we have access to the slides and questions

April 14, 2020 1:48 PM from Jeffery Gabbert to all participants: How does a ESG sub-grantee apply for these waivers?

April 14, 2020 1:48 PM from David Kessel to all participants: Are there any prototype emergency program procedures that meet the recommendations discussed today?

April 14, 2020 1:49 PM from Kenya Dawson to all participants: Where can we access the slides and Q/A

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April 14, 2020 1:49 PM from Melissa McWhinney to all participants: One say to prove the date of photos of a unit is to include that day's newspaper in the photo, proving that the photo was not taken earlier than that date.

April 14, 2020 1:49 PM from Rachel Williams to all participants: Will there be a session like this for CDBG?

April 14, 2020 1:49 PM from Ebony Rankin to all participants: Michelle - the UFA can submit a waiver for all its projects and don't have to separate them out since they are the sole recipient

April 14, 2020 1:49 PM from Norm Suchar to all participants: We will post the slides and recording of this webinar. If you subscribe to our daily digest, it will indicate when those resources are posted.

April 14, 2020 1:50 PM from Christina Topolosky to all participants: Good afternoon everyone. Will the PowerPoint presentation be made available after this webinar?

April 14, 2020 1:50 PM from Natalie Matthews to all participants: All materials, including a recording and a copy of the chat and q&a will be posted here:<https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/diseases/#covid-19-webinars-and-office-hours>.

April 14, 2020 1:51 PM from Natalie Matthews to all participants: We will work to get those posted within two business days. Thanks!

April 14, 2020 1:51 PM from Sarah Isaak to all participants: anything about habitability inspections for ESG?

April 14, 2020 1:51 PM from James Cruickshank to all participants: worcester coc submitted waiver notification on 4-3-2020 and i asked if we could do that, on behalf of all sub-recipients, both coc and esg. as i rec'd no response, i assumed the waiver's flexibility was in effect--we've now lost 10 days or more because there was no reply.

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April 14, 2020 1:51 PM from Kate Bennett to all participants: will the lease be good for 12 months above FMR? or just 6 months?

April 14, 2020 1:51 PM from Debra Hendren to all participants: when you say don't have to do a HV for two months. . . do phone contacts/facetime still count as a home visit? We have been doing those with the stay at home and will continue to do so in situations where it's unsafe (family is isolating, etc.)

April 14, 2020 1:52 PM from Tree Clemonds to all participants: Will this document/power point be on the HUD website?

April 14, 2020 1:52 PM from Stephanie Corum to host & presenter: RRH CM - does over the phone case management require a waiver?

April 14, 2020 1:52 PM from Angel Macchia to all participants: So can a LL send a virtual inspection to us?

April 14, 2020 1:53 PM from Donata Patrick to all participants: so for the ESG every sub grantee does not have to grant permission...it can essentially be a blanket waiver

April 14, 2020 1:53 PM from Andrew Timleck to all participants: Clarification - FMR waiver begins on March 31, and is for 6 months. My read is that means any lease entered into DURING THIS PERIOD may be above FMR (but rent reasonable) . That is the lease itself doesn't need to be six months - is that correct? So our units can continue being above the FMR so long as the lease was executed during the waiver period (the six months period). Do I have this correct? Thanks, Andrew (State of MD HOPWA)

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April 14, 2020 1:53 PM from Susan Taylor to all participants: My audio issues are the same, even after hitting the three dot at bottom of screen! The information being provided is so important!

April 14, 2020 1:53 PM from Carma Reed to all participants: You can also call in for audio, but please mute your phone! - 415-655-0002, Event Number: 610 904 990

April 14, 2020 1:53 PM from David Kessel to all participants: For ESG, can the lead based inspection also be waived?

April 14, 2020 1:53 PM from Christina Lloyd to all participants: Will the case management requirements allow for virtual meetings in TLP's as well

April 14, 2020 1:54 PM from Heather Smith to host (privately): Do these waivers only apply to ESG CARES funding or current ESG funding as well?

April 14, 2020 1:54 PM from Kathaleen Kokotilo to all participants: At the moment, our organization is especially concerned with making sure that we're connecting any/all eligible youth (our clients) with food resources right now... Is there anything within the CARES Act and/or Mega waivers that directly relates to this (connecting youth who are eligible with food resources)?

April 14, 2020 1:54 PM from B McGuckin to all participants: What is the process for applying for the HQS inspection waiver? Is it a form, letter, etc?

April 14, 2020 1:55 PM from Dawn Poindexter to all participants: Brett, I have ESG recertifications in April would the six month recert be from the time of thier last recertification or six months from March 31

April 14, 2020 1:56 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @B McGuckin, to clarify, grantees are not applying for a waiver, but are notifying HUD of their intention to utilize them. The process for notifying HUD is outlined in the attachment to the COVID-19 Memorandum.

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April 14, 2020 1:56 PM from Heather Smith to host (privately): Can you please clarify the TIME PERIOD that these new waivers apply to

April 14, 2020 1:56 PM from Heather Smith to host (privately): ?

April 14, 2020 1:56 PM from Metchm Lohoues-Washington to all participants: Is this applicable for Sub Amendments for DR Action Plans?

April 14, 2020 1:56 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: The COVID-19 Memorandum can be found here: <https://www.hudexchange.info/news/hud-issues-availability-of-regulatory-waivers-for-coc-esg-and-hopwa-programs-to-help-prevent-the-spread-of-covid-19-and-mitigate-economic-impacts/>

April 14, 2020 1:57 PM from Emily C to host (privately): I work for LA County Mental Health and we access CoC grants via contracts with the City and County Housing Authorities. Does the County need to submit the waiver requests or are we covered by the requests submitted by the Housing Authority?

April 14, 2020 1:57 PM from Lisa Isay to all panelists: There are several participants contradicting you all and answering questions. Are you all answering these questions?

April 14, 2020 1:58 PM from Amanda Methot to all participants: what constitutes reasonable notice??

April 14, 2020 1:59 PM from Sandra Newson to all participants: Does a subgrantee need to submit a budget modification to reallocate funds to pay for COVID related expenditures not currently listed on the budget?

April 14, 2020 1:59 PM from B McGuckin to all participants: Thank. How do we identify the CPD Director of the HUD Field Office?

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April 14, 2020 1:59 PM from kristen mitchell to all panelists: are we supposed to be seeing slides?

April 14, 2020 1:59 PM from Chris Snuffer to all participants: the time period for ESG waivers refers to the time period the funds are spent, not the award time period. So if somehow you had ESG funds from 10 years ago but spent them now, the waiver would apply.

April 14, 2020 1:59 PM from kristen mitchell to all panelists: no slides are visible

April 14, 2020 2:00 PM from Alicia Dart-Clegg to all participants: When will those funds actually end up in IDIS to allocate from the CARES act funding?

April 14, 2020 2:00 PM from Natalie Matthews to all participants: Hi Kristen--Slides are still showing for me. Please try restarting WebEx if you're unable to. Thank you!

April 14, 2020 2:01 PM from David Kessel to all participants: where is each community's funding amount posted?

April 14, 2020 2:01 PM from olga golik to all participants: If you dont have audio, you can get the phone number by clicking on the circle in upper far left.

April 14, 2020 2:01 PM from Dominic Strezo to all participants: fo CPPs need to be amended to account for the shortened comment period?

April 14, 2020 2:01 PM from Susan Pourciau to all participants: For the ESG-CV funding - is "prevent, prepare for, and respond to" broadly defined? For instance, rapid rehousing or prevention for folks who've lost their jobs or otherwise affected by the economic downturn associated with COVID - that is eligible, right?

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April 14, 2020 2:02 PM from Lisa Isay to all panelists: Again, is this for current ESG grants in progress?

April 14, 2020 2:02 PM from Amanda Rosado to all participants: Will there be more guidance on "deviate from applicable procurement standards"? This is very vague language

April 14, 2020 2:03 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Amanda Methot, per the waiver, the recipient is permitted to define "reasonable notice" in their Citizen Participation plan (see Waiver number 9)

April 14, 2020 2:03 PM from Tracy Choi to host & presenter: Do we need to amend our Citizen Participation Plan if we are utilizing the waiver to reduce the public comment period? If so, can the public noticing of an amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan be done in the 5-day period and run concurrently with the notice to amend the Con Plan?

April 14, 2020 2:04 PM from Cyndi Rivera to all participants: Can Homeless Prevention be used for clients who are undocumented?

April 14, 2020 2:04 PM from Renee Pope to all panelists: If a community in round 3 misses the July 1 deadline for YHDP, will those grant applications be pushed back to the next CoC cycle year?

April 14, 2020 2:04 PM from Kimberly Williams to host & presenter: Can you please email all the slides to the attendees, thank you

April 14, 2020 2:04 PM from Christina Yasav to all participants: I'm coming in late, did they say already when the funding would be released?

April 14, 2020 2:04 PM from Kayleigh Silver to all participants: are there citizenship requirements with the ESG & CDBG funding through CARES Act?

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April 14, 2020 2:04 PM from Rikki Gardner to all participants: Did Norm say that the next round of waivers eliminates the match requirement for CoC programs???

April 14, 2020 2:04 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Dominic Strezo, yes, you would need to amend your Citizen Participation Plan to account for virtual public hearings, reasonable notice, and the truncated comment period. The amendment to the CPP can run concurrent with the Con/AAP amendment.

April 14, 2020 2:05 PM from Alicia Dart-Clegg to all participants: I don't think so, just that match requirements are waived for ESG funding that's coming in through the CARES Act

April 14, 2020 2:06 PM from Daisy Lopez to all participants: sorry, if this was already asked/addressed - I'm just joining in. I understand the CARES Act would include a match waiver for ESG, but is there any news for match waivers for the current funding that requires the \$ per \$?

April 14, 2020 2:07 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @David Kessel, CARES allocations can be found here:
https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/budget/fy20/

April 14, 2020 2:07 PM from Kristi Schott to all participants: Having further audio issues

April 14, 2020 2:07 PM from Deborah Wengrow to all participants: Does the act include any funds that could be used for nonprofits to purchase hardware (i.e.; cell phones, laptop, tablets for staff & program participants) .for telecommunications during the pandemic.

April 14, 2020 2:07 PM from Kehinde Walker to all participants: Was there a waiver with respect to payment of up to 6 months of rental assistance payments in a an earlier slide? Please go back

April 14, 2020 2:07 PM from Jennifer Hiros to all participants: can you use CDBG for rental subsidies

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April 14, 2020 2:07 PM from B McGuckin to all participants: The HQS Initial Inspection is considered an ESG waiver correct? I want to make sure I'm referencing the correct information in my request letter

April 14, 2020 2:07 PM from Micah Snead to all participants: Love that, thanks, Norm

April 14, 2020 2:08 PM from Marlisa Grogan to all participants: No problem! Match requirements are not waived for ESG (non-CARES Act) funds.

April 14, 2020 2:08 PM from Daisy Lopez to all participants: @Denise Albertson. thank you. I did see that. I was curious if the current funding we're under has an opportunity for a match waiver

April 14, 2020 2:09 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Kehinde Walker, yes, waiver number 3 permits the payment of up-to 6 months of utility and 6 months of rental arrears for clients, "when those arrears make it difficult to obtain housing."

April 14, 2020 2:10 PM from Angelica Orozco to host & presenter: would there be a recording for this meeting after? I can't get audio.

April 14, 2020 2:10 PM from Norm Suchar to all participants: Rikki, sorry, we do not have the authority to waive match requirements for CoC.

April 14, 2020 2:10 PM from Rikki Gardner to all participants: Ok. Thanks, Norm!

April 14, 2020 2:11 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @B McGuckin, the HQS Initial Inspection waiver is for the CoC program. As Brett mentioned, the ESG program is subject to Habitability Standards which do not require an in-person inspection as HQS does.

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April 14, 2020 2:11 PM from Lorraine Polak to all participants: Does CARES Act funding, allow for the ESG funds to be distributed upfront instead of the reimbursement method?

April 14, 2020 2:11 PM from Kate Speltz to all panelists: Once a unit is brought on under the waiver with rent reasonableness and above FMR, will that higher amount be allowable on lease renewal once the waiver period has ended?

April 14, 2020 2:12 PM from Hope Ealey to all participants: Do you have any online ESG Fundamentals trainings that you can share? Our allocation was administered by the state but it went back to being a federal allocation this year.

April 14, 2020 2:12 PM from Michael Appel to all participants: Abby, who is eligible? Only CoC's? What about project level grantees?

April 14, 2020 2:12 PM from Misty Fogg to all participants: When will the ESG NOFA be available?

April 14, 2020 2:12 PM from Kehinde Walker to all participants: If there are vacancies going into COVID what is the guidance on filling them ?

April 14, 2020 2:13 PM from Deborah Kirkner to all participants: When can we expect specific ESG CV guidance?

April 14, 2020 2:13 PM from Abby Miller to host (privately): @Michael Appel: these workshops are targeted to CoCs and ESG recipients. However, we are looking at ways to create cohorts for providers as well, though those will take us a bit longer!

April 14, 2020 2:13 PM from Matthew Davis to all participants: Yes the shelter and outreach cap is waived

April 14, 2020 2:13 PM from Jennifer Hiros to all participants: Can we pay for food with CDBG Cares dollars ?

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April 14, 2020 2:13 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @David Kessel re: emergency P&Ps, I recommend reaching out to your local HUD Field Office.

April 14, 2020 2:13 PM from Sara Johnson to all participants: The increase of the limit to 50% of AMI for ESG Prevention eligibiliy ONLY applies to the CARES Act ESG funds, not the existing ESG funds?

April 14, 2020 2:13 PM from Angela Drakes to all participants: Can you clarify for me please: i must amend my Consolidated plan with a substantial amendment with a 5 days comment period in addition I must also ament my Citizen Participation Plan to identify 5 days instead of 30 days. However no citizen participation or consultation are required.

April 14, 2020 2:14 PM from Mark Johnston to all participants: I have heard both that ESG Cares funding is for ALL ESG eligible activities AND also that ESG Cares funding may ONLY be used for Prevention. Would be useful to clarify.

April 14, 2020 2:14 PM from Angel Macchia to all participants: will the 50% AMI limit table be available on HUD Exchange website?

April 14, 2020 2:14 PM from Kimberly Williams to all participants: Under Coc PSH is initial inspection waived completely? Or we have to complete virtual?

April 14, 2020 2:15 PM from Amanda Sternberg to all participants: For the waiver for CoC programming allowing use of supportive services budget line to pay rent/utility arrears: Is this allowable for any CoC funded program that has a supportive services budget line item? Or is it only allowable for certified Housing Counseling organizations?

April 14, 2020 2:15 PM from Janel Holt to all participants: Word on the CoC competition for this year?

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April 14, 2020 2:15 PM from Johanna Schulte to all participants: How can ESG Prevention programs serve leaseholders who are becoming increasingly behind in rent during an eviction moratorium? We are concerned about having a bottleneck as soon as the moratorium is lifted, with a high per-household cost for arrearages.

April 14, 2020 2:15 PM from sonia hine to host (privately): 1-As far as timeliness for CDBG, does the additional funding affect our timeless standing?

April 14, 2020 2:16 PM from Kristi Schott to all participants: Ditto: Are there specific expectations for if and how to incorporate ESG PREV into Coordinated Entry? I know there is a ton of flexibility for local CoCs to decide policies, but want to know if there are minimum

April 14, 2020 2:16 PM from janet smith to all participants: has there been plan considered for programs who hold the vouchers to provide clients there vouchers who already have all completed application and documents submitted.

April 14, 2020 2:16 PM from Faye Anderson to all participants: If annual inspection is being skipped due to COVID-19 does this have to be on the admin plan?

April 14, 2020 2:16 PM from Beth Sharber to all participants: We just got the first round of funding application from THDA for ESG which states that the funds cannot be used for homelessness prevention. Yet, we are seeing an even greater need for funding for prevention. When will that funding will be available?

April 14, 2020 2:16 PM from Kristi Schott to all participants: Ditto: For the waiver for CoC programming allowing use of supportive services budget line to pay rent/utility arrears: Is this allowable for any CoC funded program that has a supportive services budget line item? Or is it only allowable for certified Housing Counseling

April 14, 2020 2:17 PM from Angel Macchia to all participants: Will we be able to pay more than 6 months of arrears with the CARES ACT funds? At this time, we can only pay up to 6 months of arrears

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April 14, 2020 2:17 PM from Jackie Tiema-Massie to all participants: Can you please add link to Regs here?

April 14, 2020 2:17 PM from sonia hine to host (privately): 2-is there guidance we for distributing COVID funds?

April 14, 2020 2:17 PM from Tree Clemonds to all participants: Could CARES funds be used to assist Permanent Supportive Housing clients to move on to permanent housing that would be successful without support but could use a security deposit and perhaps a month or two of rent? This would free up PSH units for clients on the CoC Prioritization list.

April 14, 2020 2:17 PM from Selima Morrow to all participants: Question: under CoC funding would the grant extend medium term rental assistance during COVID-19.

April 14, 2020 2:17 PM from Heather Smith to all panelists: Hello, can you all please clarify the match requirements for these new rules. Do the new rules (waivers) apply to any ESG funding that has already been submitted to the grantees. In other words, does match still apply to old funding?

April 14, 2020 2:18 PM from Raymond Webster to all participants: If there is a waiver for no ESG or HOME citizen participation for substantial amendments, why would there be a need to go through the process of amending the Citizen Participation Plan? This is a HUD waiver not a local policy. This just causes 5-day public comment period everytime HUD issues a waiver relative to citizen participation which defeats the purpose of some of the waiver. I can see a courtesy notification in a future action plan or notice. Isn't the waiver effective once the grantee notifies HUD?

April 14, 2020 2:18 PM from Toi Chisom to all participants: Where can the CARES: CDBG eligibility use guidelines be found? We continue to be told they are forthcoming...

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April 14, 2020 2:18 PM from Brett Esders to all panelists: @Jackie - the ESG Program regulation can be found here: <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2018-title24-vol3/xml/CFR-2018-title24-vol3-part576.xml#seqnum576.409> and the CoC Program regulation can be found here: <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2017-title24-vol3/xml/CFR-2017-title24-vol3-part578.xml>

April 14, 2020 2:18 PM from Kehinde Walker to all participants: Are we to fill vacancies with other cohabitants during COVID?

April 14, 2020 2:19 PM from Susan Pourciau to all participants: Please provide a link to the Part 200 Marlisa just talked about. Thanks

April 14, 2020 2:19 PM from Rikki Gardner to all participants: What is the CFR Marlisa was referring to?

April 14, 2020 2:19 PM from Raymond Webster to all participants: Do you amend the Action Plan in IDIS?

April 14, 2020 2:20 PM from Amanda Sternberg to all participants: For disability documentation waiver: is the new requirement that disability can be documented only via intake worker observation, or is new requirement that disability needs to be documented via intake worker observation and client self-certification?

April 14, 2020 2:21 PM from Beth Sharber to all participants: Can you please provide a source for the "Part 200 Requirements" for advancing ESG funds?

April 14, 2020 2:21 PM from shay grier to all participants: Tennessee has alot of issues around spending funding in Prevention because ESG has a requires a court ordered eviction in order to give a client rental assistance. Is there any waivers around that requirement.

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April 14, 2020 2:21 PM from Jennifer Hiros to all participants: Would these be new activities or amending current activities ?

April 14, 2020 2:21 PM from Raymond Webster to all participants: Please answer the questions regarding waivers regarding citizen participation.

April 14, 2020 2:21 PM from Karen Kowal to all participants: Under the use of CoC Funds under COVID-19 for services like food, transportation, expanded services, are those services only for participants in that specific grant or could it be used for participants at the agency or across the CoC. I'm thinking of assisting in expanded shelters. Also grants with no services but only rental assistance has unspent dollars to amend to use for services in any CoC project.

April 14, 2020 2:21 PM from Hope Ealey to all participants: Great question, Shay!

April 14, 2020 2:22 PM from Joyce Tavon to all participants: Could ESG be used to pay for COVID preparedness supplies in SRO/congregate housing serving formerly homeless? These sites may have added cleaning costs due to congregate living.

April 14, 2020 2:22 PM from Katy Burke to all participants: @Heather Smith - match requirements remain in place for non-CARES Act funds, meaning for all ESG funds. Only ESG-CV special award funds have no match requirement.

April 14, 2020 2:22 PM from Angela Drakes to all participants: Any drafts available on amendment of Citizen Participation Plan language relative to COVID 19 on the 5 days comment period?

April 14, 2020 2:22 PM from Ellen McLaughlin to all participants: If a family is staying in a car and shelter space is not available because of COVID restrictions (but the family does not have a COVID diagnosis) could a motel be paid for?

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April 14, 2020 2:23 PM from Joel Gastelum to all participants: ESG grantee and our ESG subrecipient agencies will have to both submit waivers?

April 14, 2020 2:23 PM from Josh Stillman to all participants: Are there any ramifications for temporarily repurposing a homeless shelter (all residents were moved to a hotel) to serve as a quarantine center for DCFS children and youth displaced or impacted by the COVID-19 crisis. There was a caveat to the original capital construction grant for a 20 year commitment that is set to expire in 2024 to use the space to serve the homeless community, a commitment that has been fulfilled up until the recent changes due to Covid-19.

April 14, 2020 2:23 PM from Jennifer Hiros to all participants: If you are going to amend your 2019 Con Plan and annual action plan to accept funding would these be new projects or would you be adding new projects to use the cares funding?

April 14, 2020 2:24 PM from Katy Burke to all participants: @Joel Gastelum - only the direct grant recipient needs to submit the waiver request, not the subrecipients. Subrecipients should work with the grant recipients.

April 14, 2020 2:24 PM from Naomi Sultan to all participants: Please answer this previous question: How will these funds/programs help those who have no income, are pending disability, job searching etc? ESG funding requires income to support housing costs ongoing and I didn't see any waivers of that requirement.

April 14, 2020 2:25 PM from Donata Patrick to all participants: Can HUD submit written guidance on monitoring programs after the end date...due to not being able to monitor due to COVID-19?

April 14, 2020 2:25 PM from Donata Patrick to all participants: Will there be a penalty?

April 14, 2020 2:26 PM from megan erwin to all participants: For CDBG-CV we have to submit a SF-424 and SF-424D. Is the same true for ESG-CV?

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April 14, 2020 2:26 PM from Sue Tracy to all participants: CoC - could you clarify waiver re: disability and documentation required - does the waiver require just intake worker observation? Or just self-certification? Or both?

April 14, 2020 2:26 PM from Stacy Tarpley to all participants: After we submit an amended version of our FY19 Action Plan, how soon can we expect the ESG-CV funds to be available to draw down?

April 14, 2020 2:26 PM from Jean Jones to all participants: Will there be a waiver for TH to extend length of time in program due to COVID issues re jobs and housing unavailable.

April 14, 2020 2:26 PM from David Kessel to all participants: Can leasing under ESG exceed FMR?

April 14, 2020 2:26 PM from Jennifer Jones to all participants: Good questions

April 14, 2020 2:26 PM from Christina Yasav to all participants: did we get an answer about data collection requirements? are they the same as the normal requirements?

April 14, 2020 2:26 PM from Kimberly Williams to all participants: Can we get a copy of the slides

April 14, 2020 2:27 PM from angela clarke to host (privately): what happens after the waiver time period regarding FMR will we have to go back and attempt to reduce rent to meet FMR later?

April 14, 2020 2:27 PM from Jesus Gomez to all participants: CDBG-CV Public Service Funding: If our City processes a Substantial Amendment to amend the 2019 Annual Action Plan to funds public service agencies, can the implementation of these Covid-related programs carry over into next year (2020). Normally, public service funds cannot be transferred over to future years.

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April 14, 2020 2:27 PM from Jocelyn Morales to all participants: Does the 1 year lease requirement apply to rental assistance programs?

April 14, 2020 2:27 PM from Katha Blackwell to all participants: With Coordinated Entry, in regards to Rapid Re-housing, do we still need to stick with selecting who will move in next based off of the Coordinated Entry list or can we go ahead and move clients who are residing within our shelter?

April 14, 2020 2:28 PM from Viri Rivera (privately): Hello, there is so much information in this training. May I suggest having a training for each intervention (PSH, Homeless Prevention, RRH, ES etc.). Thank you

April 14, 2020 2:28 PM from Jocelyn Morales to all participants: Thanks Ebony!

April 14, 2020 2:28 PM from Kehinde Walker to all participants: What about potential COVID liability with move-ins?

April 14, 2020 2:28 PM from Christina Yasav to all participants: thanks @Denise

April 14, 2020 2:29 PM from Jenna Lee to all participants: Are we able to extend the 24 months of financial assistance for those who are reaching the 24th month now?

April 14, 2020 2:29 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Sue Tracy the waiver allows you to rely on self-certification to confirm disability

April 14, 2020 2:29 PM from shay grier to all participants: ESG state entitlement- FMR waiver for ESG says The FMR restriction is waived for any individual or family receiving Rapid Re-housing or Homelessness Prevention assistance who executes a lease for a unit during the 6-month period beginning on the date of this memorandum how does that work for Prevention? If someone has already executed an email are they not eligible for assistance under this waiver?

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April 14, 2020 2:30 PM from Christina Yasav to all participants: Thank you Abby

April 14, 2020 2:30 PM from teresa stephens to all participants: Can we get a copy of all the chat messages emailed to us

April 14, 2020 2:30 PM from Kristi Schott to all participants: Can staff certify the disability if a participant is unable or cannot electronically sign?

April 14, 2020 2:30 PM from Sue Tracy to all participants: Thank you Aaron!

April 14, 2020 2:30 PM from Katy Burke to all participants: To save the chat - go to File - > Save As -> Chat

April 14, 2020 2:31 PM from Amanda Rosado to all participants: @teresa stephens you can go to File/Save/Chat and it will store on your computer. It should also ask you upon exiting the webinar.

April 14, 2020 2:31 PM from teresa stephens to all participants: Thank you

April 14, 2020 2:31 PM from kadoety parks to all panelists: where can we obtain the waiver

April 14, 2020 2:31 PM from Christina Yasav to all participants: I came in late and don't have the full chat, could someone save the full chat and email it to me?

April 14, 2020 2:32 PM from Susan Pourciau to all participants: For those asking about Part 200, here's a link: https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2cfr200_main_02.tpl

April 14, 2020 2:32 PM from Katy Burke to all participants: @Kadoety Parks - the waiver is posted here: <https://www.hudexchange.info/news/hud-issues-availability-of-regulatory->

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waivers-for-coc-esg-and-hopwa-programs-to-help-prevent-the-spread-of-covid-19-and-mitigate-economic-impacts/

April 14, 2020 2:32 PM from Naomi Sultan to all participants: What about arrears owed to a HA?

April 14, 2020 2:33 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Rikki Gardner, CFR stands for Codified Federal Regulations. You can find these at www.ecfr.gov

April 14, 2020 2:33 PM from Selima Morrow to all participants: COuld you repeat that anwse about the rental arrears? the funds are coming form where?

April 14, 2020 2:33 PM from Christina Yasav to all participants: okay thank you abby

April 14, 2020 2:33 PM from Rikki Gardner to all participants: @Susan Purciau - Thank you!

April 14, 2020 2:33 PM from Selima Morrow to all participants: thank you!

April 14, 2020 2:34 PM from Michael Appel to all participants: Did I just hear that utility arrears can be paid for existing tenants to preserve housing? What about rent arrears?

April 14, 2020 2:34 PM from Katy Burke to all participants: @Kristi Schott - this sounds like intake staff recorded verification, which is allowable.

April 14, 2020 2:34 PM from Selima Morrow to all participants: Thank you

April 14, 2020 2:34 PM from Lauren Pareti to all participants: About arrears - the waiver notice says it can only be to "obtain housing." Can you also use the CoC SS BLI to pay arrears to retain housing under the waiver?

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April 14, 2020 2:34 PM from Kevin K to all participants: Can a recipient add add an eligible activity to its CoC grant that was not part of the original grant (such as supportive services?)

April 14, 2020 2:34 PM from Kristi Schott to all participants: Thank you Katy BUrke

April 14, 2020 2:35 PM from Rhonda Hall to all panelists: what about the clients currently in the CoC RRH program who are accumulating utility arrears??

April 14, 2020 2:35 PM from Joel Gastelum to all participants: Thanks Katy

April 14, 2020 2:35 PM from Amanda Rosado to all participants: @Brenda OConnell - Current ESG/CoC regulations do not require identification documentation. Those are usually program requirements.

April 14, 2020 2:35 PM from Ebony Rankin to all participants: Kevin K - yes, a recipient can amend its grant to include supportive services

April 14, 2020 2:36 PM from Shanelle High to all participants: Question: A portion of our portfolio are shared units for homeless veterans. With that being said will the waiver address a framework around not accepting any new referrals without COVID1 test result. Our concern is with the physical and social distancing orders conflicting with attempts to intake a high risk new homeless person coming from shelters or streets into a shared unit.

April 14, 2020 2:36 PM from Federal Health Commission to all participants: Based on the last 2 years of outreach data, 43% of homeless women in Los Angeles County are DV survivors. There has been 0 funding to these specific clients and there is less than 5% of funding allocated this year for DV. Can we increase COC funding towards domestic violence services?

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April 14, 2020 2:36 PM from Raymond Webster to all participants: Good question Jennier Yost. It is a waiver so do not see why the citizen participation is having to be amended everytime HUD issues a waiver.

April 14, 2020 2:36 PM from Adelina Correia to all participants: Will there be a cap in how much you can have in a newly created services line? It's usually no more than 20%.

April 14, 2020 2:37 PM from Rhonda Hall to all panelists: If request to amend grant, can rental assistance dollars in RRH grant be used for supportive services?

April 14, 2020 2:37 PM from Jesus Gomez to all participants: CDBG-CV: If we process a waiver and approve our 2020 Annual Action Plan (July 1-June 30 period) on an expedited basis now, can we begin implementation of activities prior to the start of our 2020 July 1 regular start date?

April 14, 2020 2:38 PM from Jesus Gomez to all participants: sadfasd

April 14, 2020 2:38 PM from Christina Lloyd to all participants: For PSH can grantees use support services funds to assist with current utility bills while individuals are unemployed?

April 14, 2020 2:39 PM from Raymond Webster to all participants: Good questions Jesus Gomez.

April 14, 2020 2:39 PM from Stacy Tarpley to all participants: If we amend our FY19 Action Plan to include the allocation we received in the first wave of funding will we need to amend again when the second round of funding is announced?

April 14, 2020 2:39 PM from Naomi Sultan to all participants: Please answer this previous question: How will these funds/programs help those who have no income, are pending disability, job searching etc? ESG funding requires income to support housing costs ongoing and I didn't see any waivers of that requirement.

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April 14, 2020 2:40 PM from Shannon LaFrance to all participants: What if a client has an outstanding balance with Housing Authority in another state, is this a barrier for housing with their current Housing Authority?

April 14, 2020 2:41 PM from kadoety parks to all panelists: where is the waiver found please

April 14, 2020 2:41 PM from Rox to all participants: Sound suddenly disappeared

April 14, 2020 2:42 PM from Ebony Rankin to all participants: Mega waiver is here: <https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6007/availability-of-waivers-of-community-cpd-grant-program-and-consolidated-plan-requirements-to-prevent-the-spread-of-covid19-and-mitigate-economic-impacts-caused-by-covid19/>

April 14, 2020 2:43 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Stacy Tarpley, this depends in-part on your Citizen Participation Plan. Likely, the amounts would exceed those defined as a non-substantial amendment in your CPP. If that's the case, or if you're adding activities, you would need to submit another amendment.

April 14, 2020 2:43 PM from Kathaleen Kokotilo to all participants: In regards to the exceeding FMR waiver, can you confirm the following is correct: "As long as the execution of the lease occurs in the six-month window (March 31, 2020 to September 30, 2020), the waiver lasts for the length of the lease (even for a one-year lease). But once that lease ends, assistance requirements return to normal."

April 14, 2020 2:43 PM from angela clarke to host (privately): i have the same question kathaleen

April 14, 2020 2:44 PM from Celia Yniguez to all participants: For CDBG, is the also the ability to deviatie from applicable procurement standards when using the funds to procure goods and services?

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April 14, 2020 2:44 PM from ERICKA BRANCH to all participants: Please speak more to what a virtual inspection "looks" like.

April 14, 2020 2:44 PM from angela clarke to host (privately): my question is will we be trying to ask landlords to actually reduce rent after a year

April 14, 2020 2:44 PM from Amanda Rosado to all participants: That was a bit confusing - it sounded like Bret and Marlisa said different things regarding what ESG funding the waivers apply to. To clarify, are waivers only applicable to non ESG-CV funds? For example, only applicable to ESG funds expended during this time, excluding ESG-CV.

April 14, 2020 2:44 PM from Jordyn Bates to all participants: Will there be any discussion on the HOPWA waivers?

April 14, 2020 2:44 PM from Ebony Rankin to all participants:
CPDQuestionsAnswered@hud.gov

April 14, 2020 2:45 PM from Don Watt to all participants: Waiver #13 provides FMR waiver for RR & Prevention assistance applicable to households who execute a lease during the 6 month period beginning on date of the memorandum. This makes sense for rapid re-housing, but does not help with Prevention since most people will already be in a lease prior to this memo. Are we correct in our interpretation?

April 14, 2020 2:46 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Ericka Branch, the Office of Management and Budget released a memorandum regarding procurement standards, but as far as I know HUD has not yet issued guidance. In terms of the procurement flexibilities mentioned in CARES, we're awaiting the Federal Register Notice that will provide additional information.

April 14, 2020 2:46 PM from Kehinde Walker to all participants: for CoC Please answer questions regarding vacant beds with cohabitants? Are we to continue to fill with no COVID test?

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April 14, 2020 2:46 PM from Julianna Crowley to all participants: HOPWA waivers were discussed yesterday - To access the webinar:

1. Go to

[nrpa.elevate.commpartners.com]https://csi.elevate.commpartners.com/products/hopwa-program-covid-19-updates-cares-act-and-waiver-flexibilities?force_login=1
[csi.elevate.commpartners.com] and log in using your Collaborative Solutions username and password.

April 14, 2020 2:46 PM from Don Watt to all participants: Is there a timetable for when HUD is expecting to release further guidance?

April 14, 2020 2:46 PM from Melissa McWhinney to all participants: I'm a little confused still. Early on, what I thought Aaron said is that a CoC applying for all the CoC-related waivers, in writing by last Friday, is still not sufficient somehow. If the CoC is the collaborative applicant and recipient, is the request for the waivers sufficient as long as it is sufficient as to form, or must individual programs, as part of the CoC, request individual waivers that the CoC can submit as a batch?

April 14, 2020 2:47 PM from Naomi Sultan to all participants: Does self-certification of disability apply to reasonable accommodation requests?

April 14, 2020 2:47 PM from Rosie Rojo to all panelists: I'm sorry, I don't see the CDBG Q&A link.

April 14, 2020 2:48 PM from Rosie Rojo to all panelists: Can you please re-post

April 14, 2020 2:48 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Jordyn Bates, the HOPWA program hosted a webinar yesterday to cover the waivers. I believe this will be posted to HUDEXchange in the near future.

April 14, 2020 2:48 PM from Rosie Rojo to all panelists: Thank you

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April 14, 2020 2:48 PM from Naomi Sultan to all participants: *Does self-certification of disability apply to verification of disability and need for reasonable accommodation?*

April 14, 2020 2:50 PM from kristen mitchell to all panelists: Do we need to get a waiver from CPD field office to use more than 60% of ESG grants for Covid-related emergency services (ESG18, ESG19 that we have not yet fully expended)? or is this a given?

April 14, 2020 2:50 PM from Michael Appel to all participants: Any thoughts about looking at FY2019 Housing Bonus projects that missed the funding cutoff for quick funding with new CoC allocations? Many of these are permanent housing project for chronically homeless persons that are pretty much ready to go.....

April 14, 2020 2:50 PM from Ashley Rollins to all participants: We are seeing a lot of requests for service animals.

April 14, 2020 2:50 PM from Ashley Rollins to all participants: emotional support animals I should say

April 14, 2020 2:51 PM from Katy Burke to all participants: @Melissa McWhinney - recipients need to submit their own waivers. The Collaborative Applicant can submit a waiver request for itself for any grants it directly receives (planning, CE, etc.). The Collab. App. can also gather individual letters from other CoC grant recipients within its CoC and submit in one email to the FO. Or, the individual agencies can each email their own. Does this clarify?

April 14, 2020 2:51 PM from Carl Epley to all participants: yes

April 14, 2020 2:51 PM from Don Watt to all participants: Waiver #13 provides FMR waiver for RR & Prevention assistance applicable to households who execute a lease during the 6 month period beginning on date of the memorandum. This makes sense for rapid re-housing, but does not help with Prevention since most people will already be in a lease prior to this memo. Are we correct in our interpretation?

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April 14, 2020 2:52 PM from Alicia Dart-Clegg to all participants: Thanks for asking that question, Melissa McWhinney- this guidance seems the opposite of what we thought the process was. Our field office also gave no indication that as a collaborative applicant our subrecipients still needed to request specific waivers.

April 14, 2020 2:52 PM from Katy Burke to all participants: If you are a collaborative applicant, the other agencies who also receive direct grant awards (i.e. they sign grant agreements with HUD) are not your subrecipients.

April 14, 2020 2:53 PM from Katy Burke to all participants: (If you are a UFA, this is different!)

April 14, 2020 2:53 PM from Kate Bennett to all participants: most leases are 12 month, so if it applies to the lease, I'd imagine all 12 months are okay to be over FMR?

April 14, 2020 2:54 PM from Melissa McWhinney to all participants: Katy Burke, that's clear to me now. Since we are the collaborative applicant and requested all waivers, all of the programs for which we subcontract with housing providers are now subject to the waiver.

April 14, 2020 2:54 PM from Raymond Webster to all participants: So everytime HUD issues a waiver regarding citizen participation, we cannot use it until we amend the citizen participation plan?

April 14, 2020 2:54 PM from Alicia Dart-Clegg to all participants: We're a UFA- I should have clarified that. Can we ask for waivers on behalf of our subrecipients and do we need to specify which waivers for which agencies?

April 14, 2020 2:55 PM from Aaron Weaver to all participants: @Melissa McWhinney, a CoC may not submit a blanket waiver notification to cover all of its constituent members. However, it can gather notifications from its members and submit them in-bulk to the local field office.

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April 14, 2020 2:56 PM from Melissa McWhinney to all participants: What do you mean by "constituent members"? This CoC signs the grant agreements with HUD, and then we subcontract out to housing providers. We have requested the blanket waivers, so they will apply to all programs we fund. We do not need to get waiver request from our subcontracting vendors, correct? (Apologies if I'm beating a dead horse but I need to be sure.)

April 14, 2020 2:57 PM from Stacey Fong to all participants: Does that include moving funds from administration?

April 14, 2020 2:57 PM from Karen Kowal to all participants: Can grant amendments for COVID activities only for those participants in the grant or can it be for participants in other

April 14, 2020 2:57 PM from Karen Kowal to all participants: CoC grants

April 14, 2020 2:57 PM from Rhonda Hall to all panelists: what about the clients currently in the CoC RRH program who are accumulating utility arrears? Will we be able to pay for these arrears in order for the clients to keep their housing? Will this be allowed under the supportive services waiver for outstanding 6 months of utility arrears?

April 14, 2020 2:58 PM from Anita Bowles to all participants: What did the gentleman just speaking mean when he said adding 10% triggers an amendment? It is only moving 10% from a budget line item that triggers the amendment. It doesn't matter if the funds added are more than 10% to the budget line item, right?

April 14, 2020 2:59 PM from Sandra Newson to all panelists: In what example is a grantee/subgrantee allowed to pay for covid related expenses (not currently listed in the budget) but necessary to sustain housing?

April 14, 2020 2:59 PM from Heather Smith to all panelists: IS THE COVID 19 FUNDING THE ONLY ESG FUNDING THAT WILL GIVEN TO THE GRANTEEES

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April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Angel Macchia to all participants: Thank you so much; very helpful!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Raymond Webster to all participants: Can we still use the waivers before amending the cp plan. That wasnt answered.

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Rikki Gardner to all participants: These Office Hours are the BEST! So helpful. Thank you all for your hard work!!!!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Celia Yniguez to all participants: Thank you!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Heather Smith to all panelists: OR WILL THERE BE ESG FUNDING ON TOP OF THE COVID 19 FUNDING?

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Naomi Sultan to all participants: Thank you!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Sarah Isaak to all participants: Thank you! This really helped.

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Christianna Knights to all participants: Thank you!!!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Sandra Newson to all panelists: thank you all!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from TIMOTHY WEST to all participants: Thank you for doing this.

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Kenneth Hartman to all participants: Thanks! Very informative.

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April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Jocelyn Morales to all participants: thank you!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Karen Kowal to all participants: @Lisa If a CoC grantee want to amend their grant to provide services for COVID, can those services only be for those participants enrolled in the grant or can they be for participants at the agency or in other CoC grants?

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Joyce Tavon to all participants: Please put out written answers as follow-up. thank you!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Melissa McWhinney to all participants: These calls are very helpful. Thank you!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Darsonya Switzer to all participants: Thank you!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Kelvin Brown to all panelists: Panelists, THANK YOU very much. This was very informative and valuable!!!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Alicia Dart-Clegg to all participants: Thank you!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Amanda Sternberg to all participants: Thank you for doing this - very helpful!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Karen Byron to all participants: Thank you!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Josh Levin to all participants: Thank you

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Carolyn Curry to all participants: Thank you!

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April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Ahong Cha to all panelists: Thanks !

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Kate Green to all participants: consolidated responses to questions within each focus area (CoC, ESG, etc.) would be so helpful!

April 14, 2020 3:00 PM from Carl Epley to all participants: helpful

Q&A Session for COVID-19 Office Hours: Mega-Waiver and CARES Act

-Candace Bishop - 1:17 PM

Q: Hello-Candace Bishop, Toledo-Lucas County Homelessness Board

Priority: N/A-

-Natalie Matthews - 1:18 PM

A: Hello!-

-Sarah Appling - 1:21 PM

Q: Should I be hearing anything?

Priority: N/A-

-Natalie Matthews - 1:22 PM

A: Hi Sarah; Not yet. We'll start at 1:30pm Eastern.-

-Kraig Blaize-Fiero - 1:21 PM

Q: Will this be recorded today?

Priority: N/A-

-Natalie Matthews - 1:21 PM

A: Yes, absolutely.-

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-Sarah Velazquez - 1:22 PM

Q: Is this the HUD COVID-19 Planning & Response Office Hours: Mega-Waiver and CARES Act Training?

Priority: N/A-

-Natalie Matthews - 1:23 PM

A: Yes. We'll be starting at 1:30pm Eastern. Thanks for checking!-

-Yvonne Candelario-Morgan - 1:23 PM

Q: Just to make sure, there is no call-in number, only the audio from the computer?

Priority: N/A-

-Natalie Matthews - 1:27 PM

A: You can call in if you'd prefer to. It's 415-655-0002, 610-904-990-

-Sarah Velazquez - 1:23 PM

Q: Thanks for the response

Priority: N/A-

-Jennifer Jones - 1:24 PM

Q: Hello all. Jennifer Jones Village of Oak Park Illinois

Priority: N/A-

-Natalie Matthews - 1:25 PM

A: hello!-

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-Michelle Hills - 1:27 PM

Q: Michelle Hills of Rochester New York

Priority: N/A-

-Yvonne Candelario-Morgan - 1:28 PM

Q: Thank you for the number, hopefully I will not need to use it.

Priority: N/A-

-Janet Wilkinson - 1:29 PM

Q: Will we get a copy of the PowerPoint after the training?

Priority: N/A-

-John Brady Voices of Our City Choir - 1:29 PM

Q: Hello from Sunny San Diego where we are still clearing encampments

Priority: N/A-

-Carla Solem - 1:29 PM

Q: Hello Natalie. It is good to see you. It has been quite a long time. I hope you are well.

Priority: N/A-

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-dana - 1:31 PM

Q: You are muted!

Priority: N/A-

-Kate Speltz - 1:31 PM

Q: am I supposed to be hearing something

Priority: N/A-

-Cherry Villanueva - 1:31 PM

Q: Sound check

Priority: N/A-

-Yvonne Candelario-Morgan - 1:31 PM

Q: There is no sound.

Priority: N/A-

-Kraig Blaize-Fiero - 1:31 PM

Q: Shes muted

Priority: N/A-

-meg Fitzpatrick - 1:31 PM

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Q: should I be able to hear or have you not started

Priority: N/A-

-Yvonne Candelario-Morgan - 1:31 PM

Q: okay, I hear you now.

Priority: N/A-

-Rosie Rojo - 1:33 PM

Q: Question: Can CDBG-CV funding be used to offset a revenue shortfall for a city? New legislation by Congress introduced last week defines costs related to COVID as "includes but is not limited to lost revenue". Thoughts?

Priority: N/A-

-Teri Robertson - 1:33 PM

Q: Has the audio started for everyone?

Priority: N/A-

-Eryca Fambro - 1:34 PM

Q: How should we approach habitability checks for the ESG program during this COVID period.

Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 1:36 PM

A: Habitability checks for ESG may be done remotely (e.g., via Facetime, video, pictures). A waiver isn't necessary for ESG because habitability requirements don't require "physical" inspection in Part 576.-

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-Marie Herb - 1:34 PM

Q: is there a call in number

Priority: N/A-

-Natalie Matthews - 1:37 PM

A: Marie, you can call in at 415-655-0002, 610-904-990-

-Evelyn Aponte - 1:34 PM

Q: Which funds should we try to expend first our CDBG entitlement or CDBG-CV?

Priority: N/A-

-Rosie Rojo - 1:34 PM

Q: Can CDBG-CV funding be used to pay for city staff conducting COVID-19 related tasks?
This is beyond the general admin cap

Priority: N/A-

-Family Tree - 1:35 PM

Q: are you going to discuss impacts of CARES funding, specifically PPP loans on existing HUD funding?

Priority: N/A-

-Christine Madsen - 1:35 PM

Q: All participants isn't an option for me to choose just all Panelists. Please advise

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Priority: N/A-

-Natalie Matthews - 1:38 PM

A: Hi Christine, If you Click on To and then scroll down a bit All Participants should show up for you. It does look like it is defaulting to All Panelists, so hopefully that helps. -

-Anthony Bianco - 1:35 PM

Q: Is there a way to use ESG or CDBG funds to pay for hotel rooms for homeless who have tested positive for covid 19?

Priority: N/A-

-erin rutherford - 1:35 PM

Q: Will HUD allow landlord self-certifications for inspections?

Priority: N/A-

-Christine Madsen - 1:36 PM

Q: I figured it out.

Priority: N/A-

-John Ramirez - 1:36 PM

Q: Hi, John Ramirez from Norwalk CA...

Priority: N/A-

-Sue Legal - 1:37 PM

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Q: not seeing any slides

Priority: N/A-

-Natalie Matthews - 1:39 PM

A: Hi Sue, Please try opening the WebEx link again. We will also post the recording and slides.-

-Evelyn Aponte - 1:37 PM

Q: Sorry I should have said ESG entitlement or ESG-CV

Priority: N/A-

-Janet Wilkinson - 1:37 PM

Q: are we going to get a copy of this PowerPoint

Priority: N/A-

-Natalie Matthews - 1:39 PM

A: Yes, they will be posted to the HUD Exchange.-

-linda simon - 1:37 PM

Q: Hello from Bernalillo NM

Priority: N/A-

-Pamela Brookshire - 1:37 PM

Q: I am a subgrantee of a BOS grantee. I can't ask the field office directly for any waivers, can I? Doesn't the grantee, i.e., that State, have to ask for the waviers and then push them down to their subgrantees?

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Priority: N/A-

-Katy Burke - 2:07 PM

A: Correct - the direct grant recipient needs to request the waiver. Work with your funding city/county/state.-

-Nicole Murray - 1:38 PM

Q: Will participants on this line get the presentation?

Priority: N/A-

-Natalie Matthews - 1:39 PM

A: Yes, it will be posted to the HUD Exchange.-

-Emila Sutton - 1:38 PM

Q: Does the HQS RRH waiver apply to ESG funded RRH?

Priority: N/A-

-MANIVANH MANIPHONH - 1:38 PM

Q: Will we get a copy of the powerpoint?

Priority: N/A-

-Natalie Matthews - 1:40 PM

A: Yes, it will be posted to the HUD Exchange.-

-Mark Stokes - 1:38 PM

Q: Should we receive an email back from the CPD office? I submitted my waiver request on April 6

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Priority: N/A-

-Katy Burke - 2:08 PM

A: This is a notification process and field offices may not respond due to volume. Be sure to maintain good documentation about why and when you used the waiver flexibility.-

-Cassie Sipos-Haas - 1:40 PM

Q: Are the waivers only for CARES Act or are they allowed for FY19 and FY20?

Priority: N/A-

-Brett Esders - 1:41 PM

A: Hi Cassie - The waivers being discussed right now apply to all existing funds that recipients are currently spending. CARES Act requirements will be discussed at the very end.-

-Suzanne Brownchurch - 1:41 PM

Q: Don't need documentation for staff cert either, or just self-cert?

Priority: N/A-

-Jeannie Citerman-Kraeger - 1:42 PM

Q: Are the slides avail. now or will they be shared after?

Priority: N/A-

-Thomas Bates - 1:42 PM

Q: Did I hear this correctly? If you use a waiver to satisfy the PSH Disability verification you DO NOT have to go back and get that medical documentation after the waiver expires? The staff observation is sufficient?

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Priority: N/A-

-Brett Esders - 1:43 PM

A: Hi Thomas - Yes, you heard that correctly, for the next 6 months staff observation noted in the case file is considered sufficient documentation of disability status. There is no requirement to go back after this and obtain additional documentation. -

-Dale Zuchlewski - 1:43 PM

Q: Do we have to change our CoC written standards to allow for the waivers?

Priority: N/A-

-rhys williams - 1:44 PM

Q: S and 3 months re-evaluation requirements for the CoC program. will this be expanded to the ESG program. We have homelessness prevention providers who are uncorfotable requiring inspectors to go out and check housing standards prior to providing assitance.

Priority: N/A-

-Eryca Fambro - 1:45 PM

Q: Does this HQS standard under COC apply to ESG as well?

Priority: N/A-

-E. Betty Rawnsley-Erazo - 1:45 PM

Q: This is alot of information to be absorbed so quickly

Priority: N/A-

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-Andrea Lewis - 1:45 PM

Q: Does this inspection waiver apply to both ESG and COC funder programs?

Priority: N/A-

-Kelvin Brown - 1:46 PM

Q: Do these waivers apply only to these new CARES Act ESG/ CDBG grants or existing grants as well?

Priority: N/A-

-Christine Madsen - 1:46 PM

Q: Thank you.

Priority: N/A-

-rhys williams - 1:46 PM

Q: Currently the waiver only removes the HQS and 3 months re-evaluation requirements for the CoC program. will this be expanded to the ESG program. We have homelessness prevention providers who a

Priority: N/A-

-Annie Stockton - 1:46 PM

Q: One month or more than one month for leases?

Priority: N/A-

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-Andrea Lewis - 1:46 PM

Q: Can the clients take the recording for prevention inspections and send to case manager?

Priority: N/A-

-Terisa Liang - 1:46 PM

Q: Any updates or waivers for ESG Prevention program? I have clients who is going to be self-sufficient and the COVI-19 happens....

Priority: N/A-

-Stephanie Smolkin - 1:47 PM

Q: 1 year lease waiver covers RRH projects & not just PSH?

Priority: N/A-

-Brett Esders - 1:48 PM

A: Hi Stephanie - yes! the 1-year lease waiver applies to both RRH and PSH-

-Patricia Leslie - 1:40 PM

Q: Does a waiver by Gratee flow through to subrecipients?

Priority: N/A-

-dana - 1:48 PM

Q: I submitted the waiver email but did not get a response or anything back. Do we assume it's a go and just use the document we turned in, as the client file documentation?

Priority: N/A-

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-Brett Esders - 1:48 PM

A: Hi Dana - yes. If you submitted notification you can go ahead utilize the waiver in two calendar days-

-Yvonne Candelario-Morgan - 1:48 PM

Q: Can you go back to the 6 waiver slide of a one second at the end?

Priority: N/A-

-Annie Stockton - 1:48 PM

Q: What I read and what was said were different - can we do one month leases...or is it leases must be longer than one month?

Priority: N/A-

-Adelina Correia - 1:49 PM

Q: What if you are both the lead and the recipient and your agencies are the subrecipients? Can it be one waiver to cover all?

Priority: N/A-

-Cassie Sipos-Haas - 1:49 PM

Q: To make sure I am asking the question correctly when it comes to ESG are the waivers applying to recipient current spending as well and not only CARES Act funds?

Priority: N/A-

-Ebony Rankin - 1:50 PM

A: We will post the slides and recording of this webinar. If you subscribe to our daily digest, it will indicate when those resources are posted. -

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-Ebony Rankin - 1:56 PM

A: Cassie - I'm not sure why my answer showed up under your question. I put your question in the que to be answered-

-lisa steele - 1:49 PM

Q: Did I hear correctly that a CoC can not submit a blanket waiver request on behalf of our ESG subrecipients?

Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 1:50 PM

A: That's correct. The CoC cannot submit waiver notification on behalf of ESG recipients or subrecipients.-

-Rachel Garcia - 1:50 PM

Q: Will there be a waiver for initial or re-inspections for ESG programs?

Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 1:51 PM

A: No waivers are provided for ESG Habitability. Habitability checks for ESG may be done remotely (e.g., via Facetime, video, pictures). A waiver isn't necessary for ESG because habitability requirements don't require "physical" inspection in Part 576.-

-Leslie Lawrence - 1:51 PM

Q: If you lease an apartment above FMR based on the waiver - you mention that the waiver would allow you to do this for 6 months. Is the 6 months just for initial date of lease up or do you have to move someone after 6 months to someplace below FMR?

Priority: N/A-

-Ebony Rankin - 1:52 PM

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A: Leslie - The above FMR waiver lasts for the entire term of the lease (even if the lease is a year)-

-Ahong Cha - 1:51 PM

Q: Is the ESG Wavier for 2020 entitlement funds in addition to the CARES Act funding?

Priority: N/A-

-Vernett Sherrill - 1:45 PM

Q: How much back rent assistance can be provided? Example, can you provide 3 months of rental assistance for one household.

Priority: N/A-

-lisa steele - 1:51 PM

Q: Did I hear that correctly that as a CoC who recieved ESG funds for our state, we can NOT submit a blanket request for waivers on behalf of our ESG subreciepoints? This is what we submitted to our field office ind it didn't seem to be an issue.

Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 1:52 PM

A: The waiver notification must be submitted by the recipient. -

-Annie Stockton- 1:52 PM

Q: Does anyone know if CoC waviers for leases means leases CAN be one month or they have to be longer than one month?

Priority: N/A-

-Ebony Rankin - 1:53 PM

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A: Annie - they have to be at least one month-

-Pamela Brookshire - 1:52 PM

Q: So a State ESG recipient can't request a waiver for its statewide program that it operates via subrecipients?

Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 1:54 PM

A: A State MAY submit the waiver notification for its ESG program. -

-Cassie Sipos-Haas - 1:51 PM

Q: Ebony I am not sure that went to the question I asked.

Priority: N/A-

-Ebony Rankin - 1:52 PM

A: Cassie, can you resend your question?-

-E. Betty Rawnsley-Erazo - 1:53 PM

Q: Is there still a cap on how much ESG can be used for Shelter operations

Priority: N/A-

-Brett Esders - 1:55 PM

A: @ Betty - yes, the cap on emergency shelter and street outreach activities applies to existing ESG funds. The CARES Act waives it for the ESG-CV allocation-

-610473275 - 1:54 PM

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Q: To make this easier for everyone it would be great if HUD considered having the COC submit this on behalf of programs. This seems like a lot of paperwork for something that could be easily resolved with one submission across a COC.

Priority: N/A-

-Jordan Harris - 1:54 PM

Q: Just to clarify, we submitted our COC and ESG/HOPWA waiver requests separately- one to our CPD Director for CoC program and one to the State recipient for ESG/HOPWA funds. Is it true for each request that within 2 calendar days, we can use the waivers?

Priority: N/A-

-Anjala Huff- 1:54 PM

Q: Do we have to do an in person inspection for those units once the 6 months are done?

Priority: N/A-

-Laura Stinemire - 1:54 PM

Q: Is this the place to ask about the SNAP (regardless of income) benefits flyer?

Priority: N/A-

-Elisa Bresnahan - 1:54 PM

Q: Will we receive notification from field office that our waiver is accepted before we can use it?

Priority: N/A-

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-rhys williams - 1:55 PM

Q: Can we enter into subrecipient agreements prior to having an executed grant agreement with HUD.

Priority: N/A-

-Tatiana Bojorquez - 1:55 PM

Q: how is case management being done of deaf participants?

Priority: N/A-

-Anthony Bianco - 1:56 PM

Q: Is there a way to use ESG or CDBG funds to pay for hotel rooms for homeless who have tested positive for covid 19?

Priority: N/A-

-Priscila Davila - 1:56 PM

Q: If we are doing a new program, do we need to amend our Policies & Procedures (since they are new) to include new program? And, if so, does that (Policies & Procedures) need to be updated and taken to Council with the Substantial Amendment?

Priority: N/A-

-Mark Morales - 1:57 PM

Q: Under ESG - Housing Stability Case Management: just to clarify that NO meetings with participants are required within the two months either in-person or by electronic means?

Priority: N/A-

-Brett Esders - 1:58 PM

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A: Mark - that's correct. If you choose to use this waiver - and appropriately alert your field office - then you will not be required to provide case management to program participants in RRH for the next two months either in person or by electronic means.-

-Vernett Sherrill - 1:51 PM

Q: Is there a cap on how much homeless prevention assistance funds that a family can receive?

Priority: N/A-

-Ashlyn Newman - 1:58 PM

Q: I located to eligible activities to assist in disaster relief without triggering a substantial amendment with approval of the Authorized Representative." Does this waive my requirement to do the substantial amendment to my action plan for CDBG-CV funding?

Priority: N/A-

-Patricia Waye - 1:58 PM

Q: do habitability standards apply for emergency shelter operations

Priority: N/A-

-Brett Esders - 1:59 PM

A: Hi Patricia - yes, there are habitability standards in the regulation that apply to emergency shelters paid for with ESG funds-

-John Ann Thompson - 1:59 PM

Q: I don't see any slides or the presenter

Priority: N/A-

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-Joe Riddle - 1:59 PM

Q: Do you have to submit a waiver to HUD for the 5 day notice?

Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 2:01 PM

A: For all waivers, recipients just need to notify HUD that they intend to use the waiver (following Attachment 1 directions in the megawaiver memo)-

-Najira A - 1:59 PM

Q: When the presentations are over, can the panelists go through the recommended documentation slides again?

Priority: N/A-

-Patricia Waye - 2:01 PM

Q: do waivers apply

Priority: N/A-

-Andrew Timleck - 1:02 PM

Q: the lease itself doesn't need to be six months - is that correct? So our units can continue being above the FMR so long as the lease was executed during the waiver period (the six months period). Do I have this correct? Thanks, Andrew (State of MD HOPWA)

Priority: N/A-

-Susan Pourciau - 2:02 PM

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Q: or the ESG-CV funding - is "prevent, prepare for, and respond to" broadly defined? For instance, rapid rehousing or prevention for folks who've lost their jobs or otherwise affected by the economic downturn associated with COVID - that is eligible, right?

Priority: N/A-

-Dominic Strezo - 2:03 PM

Q: Do CPPs need to be amended to account for shortened comment periods?

Priority: N/A-

-Andrew Timleck - 1:03 PM

Q: Clarification - FMR waiver begins on March 31, and is for 6 months. My read is that means any lease entered into DURING THIS PERIOD may be above FMR (but rent reasonable) . That

Priority: N/A-

-Brenda O'Connell - 2:03 PM

Q: There is additional TA funding in the CARES act. What will this be used for? Can the CoC apply for this TA assistance?

Priority: N/A-

-Justin Marino - 2:03 PM

Q: Has there been any talks of extending the amount of RRH Rental Assistance that clients can receive? As of now we have clients who are close to reaching that maximum 24 months for CoC RRH?

Priority: N/A-

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-Marlisa Grogan - 2:05 PM

A: SNAPS is continuing to consider additional regulatory flexibilities that we may be able to provide. Stay tuned!-

-Matthew Aronson 2 - 2:03 PM

Q: Will the Round 4 communities have the same extension (currently also Septmeber 2021, but the NOFA is not out yet)?

Priority: N/A-

-Ahong Cha - 2:04 PM

Q: The ESG Waviers are sepearate from the CARES Act funding; they only affect the current entitlement funding. CARES Act Funding has sepearate regulations/program requirements, correct? And will the ESG wavier apply to CARES Act funding as well?

Priority: N/A-

-Phil McCollum - 2:08 PM

Q: Can the waiver notifications be submitted by the Grantee, or do they need to be submitted by each Sub-grantee?

Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 2:10 PM

A: Waiver notifications must be submitted by the grantee (not subgrantees).-

-Micah Snead - 2:09 PM

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Q: Just to clarify, emergency policies and procedures are strongly suggested, but not required. BUT, if there are local policies and procedures that conflict with some of the waiver allowances, CoCs should update or create an "emergency version" of the P&Ps?

Priority: N/A-

-Rachel Garcia - 2:10 PM

Q: Will ESG be waiving re-inspection requirements? Will ESG release a waiver for their current arrears guidelines?

Priority: N/A-

-Anthony Bianco - 2:10 PM

Q: Is there a way to use ESG or CDBG funds to pay for hotel rooms for homeless who have tested positive for covid 19?

Priority: N/A-

-kathleen shanahan - 2:12 PM

Q: jurisdictions are recipients of ESG funds. Why is the waiver requirement different for ESG to say that subrecipients not recipients need to request the waiver?

Priority: N/A-

-kyla winters - 2:13 PM

Q: Will questions and answers be posted?

Priority: N/A-

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-beverly arbor - 2:13 PM

Q: If you have urgent need in your CPP do you need to list activity in the action plan?

Priority: N/A-

-Emily C - 2:13 PM

Q: work for a County Mental Health and we access CoC grants via contracts with the City and County Housing Authorities. Does the County need to submit the waiver requests or are we covered by the requests submitted by the Housing Authority?

Priority: N/A-

-Lauren Whitleigh - 2:13 PM

Q: in our state, landlords continuing to conduct their work does not comply with governor's stay at home order.

Priority: N/A-

-Emma Ward - 2:12 PM

Q: Did Abby state that the community of practice is for ESG recipients only?

Priority: N/A-

-Nena Murphy - 2:14 PM

Q: Regarding the CV19 ESG funding, do we know what the % of funding we can request? Typically ESG has been \$150,000 for us. Will this amount be increased? A recent TDHCA webinar mentioned the amount is a % of an organizations annual budget? Thanks

Priority: N/A-

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-Amber Lewis - 2:14 PM

Q: Will the 60-day ESG allocation timeline for states apply to the CARES Act funds? Not wanting to delay anything, but more wondering if we could allocate in stages, or if we'll need to allocate all at once for the full amount.

Priority: N/A-

-Carissa Santangelo - 2:15 PM

Q: Who can apply for CARE funds? Counties? Non-profits? States?

Priority: N/A-

-Karyn Young-Lowe - 2:06 PM

Q: Are the Intensive TA Workshops for ESG programs only or would it also be good training for CoC grantees?

Priority: N/A-

-Amber Lewis - 2:15 PM

Q: And will ESG CARES Act subrecipients be required to participate in HMIS, Coordinated Entry, and all usual end-of-year reporting requirements?

Priority: N/A-

-Maureen Safko - 2:16 PM

Q: i have the same question as Angela Drakes regarding local citizen participation plans that require more than 5 days of public comment.

Priority: N/A-

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-Adelina Carter - 2:17 PM

Q: Are there any environmental review waivers for building new or temporary shelters for quick covid-19 responses.

Priority: N/A-

-Thomas Bates - 2:18 PM

Q: There was a good question in the chat. If you're utilizing motel units for ES, are there inspection requirements?

Priority: N/A-

-Maureen Safko - 2:18 PM

Q: Will the formula for the next allocation of ESG funds include awards to municipalities that have not received ESG funds recently?

Priority: N/A-

-Karen Kowal - 2:18 PM

Q: With the guidance on CoC BLIs and COVID-19, are the COVID-19 services

Priority: N/A-

-josalyn smith - 2:18 PM

Q: 1. Will CARES Act Funding be combined with HUD Fiscal Year 20 allocation and Grant Agreement?

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- a. When will funding become available?
- b. How far can providers back date expenditures due to COVID-19?

Priority: N/A-

-Deborah Wengrow - 2:18 PM

Q: For what length of time can hotel vouchers be issued for program participants during the pandemic?

Priority: N/A-

-Ahong Cha - 2:18 PM

Q: What do we need documented in client files for ESG funding used for motel/hotel vouchers?

Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 2:20 PM

A: Identifying that shelters are at or near capacity or indicating that hotel/motel vouchers are needed in order to provide adequate social distancing and bed spacing would be fine for documentation.-

-Rosie Rojo - 2:19 PM

Q: Resubmitting question - Question: Can CDBG-CV funding be used to offset a revenue shortfall for a city? New legislation by Congress introduced last week defines costs related to COVID as "includes but is not limited to lost revenue". Thoughts?

Priority: N/A-

-Rosie Rojo - 2:19 PM

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Q: Resubmitting question: Can CDBG-CV funding be used to pay for city staff conducting COVID-19 related tasks? This is beyond the general admin cap

Priority: N/A-

-Jessica Izquierdo - 2:20 PM

Q: The example ESG-CV award letter says funds may be used to cover or reimburse allowable costs incurred by a State or locality before the award of funding (including prior to the signing of the CARES Act).

Priority: N/A-

-Jessica Izquierdo - 2:20 PM

Q: How can we allow a sub-recipient to obligate these funds before a contract is executed?

Priority: N/A-

-Jessica Izquierdo - 2:21 PM

Q: Should we set a specific date that our sub-recipients can go back to, like when a State of Emergency was declared due to COVID-19?

Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 2:23 PM

A: The ESG-CV notice will establish requirements that should help answer this question.-

-Jessica Izquierdo - 2:21 PM

Q: If we should back-date it to when a State of Emergency was declared, should it be the State's declaration or the Federal declaration?

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Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 2:23 PM

A: The ESG-CV notice will establish requirements that should help answer this question.-

-josalyn smith - 2:22 PM

Q: 4. Will CARES Act funding be available for 24-Months, similar to regular funding?

Priority: N/A-

-rhys williams - 2:23 PM

Q: 24 CFR 91.105(e) requires two weeks notice for public hearings. Our CPD office also requires us to post these notices in a local newspaper. Can this requirement be waived?

Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 2:29 PM

A: SNAPS is continuing to consider ways to provide regulatory flexibility going forward. Stay tuned.-

-Vernett Sherrill - 2:17 PM

Q: Is YHDP NOFA going to be released

Priority: N/A-

-Ebony Rankin - 2:24 PM

A: Hi Vernet, we have funding for FY 2019 and FY 2020 for YHDP so stay tuned...-

-Jessica Izquierdo - 2:23 PM

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Q: Great! Any idea when when that may come out?

Priority: N/A-

-Shelley Fugitt - 2:24 PM

Q: Yesterday, during the HOPWA webinar - we were told that new/amended agreements to sponsors must be executed within 14 days of the grantee agreements. Is this true for ESG funds? Is there a deadline when we have to execute subrecipient agreements?

Priority: N/A-

-Debby Rieff - 2:26 PM

Q: What is the ESG-CV notice expected to be released

Priority: N/A-

-megan erwin - 2:26 PM

Q: For CDBG-CV we have to submit a SF-424 and SF-424D. Is the same true for ESG-CV?

Priority: N/A-

-Becky Poitras - 2:27 PM

Q: With the FMR waiver, can CoC funds pay the rent amount above FMR, or does the amount above FMR need to be paid with match/other non-CoC funds?

Priority: N/A-

-Tim Ho - 2:27 PM

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Q: For the ESG program, if a state is temporarily suspending evictions can the program provide assistance to applicants if they show proof of back rent owed instead of an eviction notice? If allowable, is it just CARES fund monies and/or program year funds.

Priority: N/A-

-Debby Rieff - 2:27 PM

Q: When is the ESG-CV notice expected to be released?

Priority: N/A-

-megan erwin - 2:28 PM

Q: Many localities are using Hotels for temporary housing, under emergency shelter. Can case management, medical support, meals, supplies, etc also be provided to those housed in the Hotels? Only "hotel vouchers" are identified in the regulations

Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 2:32 PM

A: Hotels/motels may be funded under the ESG emergency shelter component. Case management, food, outpatient health services are also eligible under the ESG emergency shelter component-

-Leslie Lawrence - 2:29 PM

Q: If you put someone in leased housing above the FMR for the lease period would you need to find an new apartment to lease within FMR limits after the lease year is up,

Priority: N/A-

-Debby Rieff - 2:29 PM

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Q: When do you expect the ESG-CV notice will be released?

Priority: N/A-

-Deborah Wengrow - 2:30 PM

Q: Can ESG administrative funds or any other categories be used to cover hardware costs for pandemic telecommunications?

Priority: N/A-

-Mike Linares - 2:30 PM

Q: Can you please repeat or elaborate on your comments about modifying the citizen participation plan for using the virtual meeting and 5-day comment period waiver.?

Priority: N/A-

-Jenni Miller - 2:31 PM

Q: Should individual stimulus payments be included in income calculations?

Priority: N/A-

-Kate Tettamant - 2:32 PM

Q: Will HUD be considering extensions for CoC grant close out, like APRs?

Priority: N/A-

-Shonda Gray- 2:33 PM

Q: Can you revisit the requirement for lead-based paint inspections for the ESG program?

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Priority: N/A-

-Amber Lewis - 2:33 PM

Q: When should we anticipate the ESG-CV Notice will come out?

Priority: N/A-

-Phil McCollum - 2:33 PM

Q: Does the disability documentation waiver apply to RRH?

Priority: N/A-

-Ebony Rankin - 2:34 PM

A: Hi Phil - disability isn't a requirement for RRH programs-

-Ellen - 2:33 PM

Q: Are purchases of iPads, laptops, smartphones eligible as supportive service expense under hud coc given its the primary mode of service delivery at present ?

Priority: N/A-

-Haydee Brown - 2:33 PM

Q: Are client personal emails acceptable for the purpose of Case Management and or communication ?

Priority: N/A-

-Amber Lewis - 2:34 PM

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Q: Not sure if my question came through: when should we anticipate the ESG-CV notice coming out?

Priority: N/A-

-Ebony Rankin - 2:34 PM

A: Hi Amber - your question came through and I put it in the que-

-shay grier - 2:34 PM

Q: ESG-State of TN entitlement. Is there a wiaver for prevention rental assitance that requires clients to have a court ordered eviction in order to be given rental assitance?

Priority: N/A-

-Deborah Wengrow - 2:34 PM

Q: What is the maximum length of time for emergency shelter / emergency hotel assistance under ESG during the pandemic?

Priority: N/A-

-Phil McCollum - 2:34 PM

Q: Does the disability documentation waiver apply to COC RRH?

Priority: N/A-

-Ebony Rankin - 2:36 PM

A: Hi Phil - having a disability is not a requirement of RRH-

-Mark Morales - 2:35 PM

Q: Does ESG - Housing Stability Case mgmt waiver apply to homeless shelters?

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Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 2:41 PM

A: The Housing Stability Case management waiver is not applicable to ESG emergency shelter; monthly case management isn't required for emergency shelter. -

-Deborah Wengrow - 2:36 PM

Q: What is the maximum length of time for ESG emergency shelters/ hotel vouchers during the pandemic?

Priority: N/A-

-Francesca Vitale - 2:37 PM

Q: Paying a PHA is allowable under ESG RRH or PSH programs?

Priority: N/A-

-Leslie Lawrence - 2:37 PM

Q: I guess what I am asking is whether at the end of the lease agreement we would have to find another unit within FMR to move the person to since the waiver would be ended. This would be disruptive for the individual placed into their PSH unit.

Priority: N/A-

-Amanda Stadler- 2:37 PM

Q: Does the expedited amendment process (for CoC grant) that's in the works apply to an amendment that is not directly related to COVID?

Priority: N/A-

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-Deborah Wengrow - 2:38 PM

Q: Does ESG administrative costs or supportive services or any other category cover hardware costs for telecommunications during the pandemic?

Priority: N/A-

-Phil McCollum - 2:38 PM

Q: Hi Ebony, sorry for the repeated question. We do have a COC RRH program that requires clients to be chronically homeless and the Head of Household to have a disabling condition. In this case, would the disability documentation waiver apply?

Priority: N/A-

-Brett Esders - 2:39 PM

A: Hi Phil - Since that is a local requirement that is something that you will have to look at your local standards to address. Locally you certainly could choose to apply the waiver flexibilities or you could choose to adopt different requirements. -

-Deborah Wengrow - 2:39 PM

Q: Don't know if any of my questions are coming through. Please advise. Thanks

Priority: N/A-

-sonia hine - 2:40 PM

Q: For CDBG 2 questions: 1) is there any guidance to distributing CARES act funding? 2) Does the additional COVID funding affect timeliness standing?

Priority: N/A-

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-Lee Tabor- 2:41 PM

Q: So one more time for clarification. Mega-waiver only applies to regular ESG funds. No match, emergency shelter/street outreach cap removal, increase of admin to 10%...those only apply to CARES Act funds? Or current regular ESG funds as well?

Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 2:55 PM

A: Mega-waiver only applies to non-CARES Act funding. The flexibilities in the CARES Act are only applicable to CARES Act funding right now. Stay tuned for the notice, though, which may provide additional flexibilities applicable to non-CARES Act funds.-

-shay grier - 2:42 PM

Q: How does the FMR waiver for prevention assistance work if client has already executed a lease before the memo?

Priority: N/A-

-Phillip Brown - 2:59 PM

Q: What funding source can be used to purchase ready made "small house" units for the homeless.

Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 2:53 PM

A: Mega-waiver only applies to non-CARES Act funding. The flexibilities in the CARES Act are only applicable to CARES Act funding right now. Stay tuned for the notice, though, which may provide additional flexibilities applicable to non-CARES Act funds.-

-megan erwin - 2:44 PM

Q: thank you, is there an inspection or other requirements on the use of Hotels through ESG Emergency Shelter?

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Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 2:51 PM

A: Yes, habitability standards are still required for hotel/motel (can be remotely done).-

-Natalie McCleskey - 2:44 PM

Q: Is there any indication that the new ESG funding will be eligible to be used to supplement rent/utility payments needed for RRH participants who are currently in CoC funded RRH or State HCRP Funded RRH Programs?

Priority: N/A-

-Jim Conner - 2:45 PM

Q: Prevention question: Is it possible to have a waiver related to court-ordered evictions?

Priority: N/A-

-Nancy Griffin - 2:45 PM

Q: yes, what they said, chat available to review

Priority: N/A-

-Susan Pourciau - 2:47 PM

Q: Confirming what we think we heard -- the current waivers do NOT apply to ESG-CV funding?

Priority: N/A-

-Marlisa Grogan - 2:50 PM

A: Correct. The current mega-waiver applies to current (non-CARES Act) funding.-

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-shay grier - 2:54 PM

Q: How does that apply to Prevention clients that may already have a lease.

Priority: N/A-

-Ahong Cha - 2:55 PM

Q: what cannot be used for coc or esg?

Priority: N/A-

-Laura Detert - 2:55 PM

Q: Maybe remind people that paying for emotional support animals (not pets) is illegal per fair housing laws anyway?

Priority: N/A-

-Kenneth Hartman - 2:59 PM

Q: To be perfectly clear, none of these waivers relax "Housing First" rules and expectations, correct?

Priority: N/A-

-Matthew Aronson 2 - 3:00 PM

Q: Great work :) Very helpful!

Priority: N/A-

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-E. Betty Rawnsley-Erazo - 3:00 PM

Q: Thank you very much

Priority: N/A-