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Subject: HUD CMS Developer Notice: ARM Version 14.11.5.0, NOFA 2017 Grant Reference Values, and ARM Pilot Maintenance Window

HUD CMS Developers:

Please see details below regarding the following topics:

- ARM Version 14.11.5.0
- NOFA 2017 Grant Reference Values
- ARM Pilot Maintenance Window – Monday June 26

1. **ARM Version 14.11.5.0** – A new version of the HCS ARM Web Service (v.14.11.5.0) is now available on the ARM Pilot Server. It is anticipated that this release will be available on Production by 07/12/2017. Here is a summary of the changes:

   Changes to the Web Service Behavior

   1. Enhanced validation on Agency's Physical Address to reject submissions that contain a P.O. Box in the Agency_Physical_Address1, Agency_Physical_Address2, Agency_Physical_Address3, and Agency_Physical_Address4 fields. An attempt to submit a P.O. Box will result in an error and the submission will fail. Error: Agency physical address cannot be P.O. Box. Please correct and resubmit.
   2. Error responses that return reference ids for Fiscal Year, Quarter, and Activity Type have been updated to return the reference ids as well as corresponding item descriptions/values.
   3. Submission error responses stored in database for future use in HCS to display to agency users.

   The Release Notes and updated ICD are attached and have been submitted for posting to the CMS Developer Resources page. - https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/housing-counseling/cms/

2. **NOFA 2017-1 COMP Grant Reference Value –** A new Activity Type reference value (Reference Group Id 38) for the NOFA 2017-1 Comprehensive grant is anticipated to be published in the next couple of weeks once the grant awards are made public. An email notice will be sent to CMS developers once the new reference value is published.

3. **ARM Pilot Maintenance Window –** A maintenance window will be scheduled for Monday June 26 at 9 AM to upgrade the ARM pilot database. It should not last more than a couple of hours. An email notice will be sent to CMS developers at the beginning and end of the maintenance window.