

OPM Compliance Updates

November 27, 2019

WHAT'S NEW

STAFFING CHANGES

Please note that the following DCA staff are no longer with the Compliance Department, following departures in the last few months; Erica DeShazor, Joanna Jin, and Kimberly Lewis. If you have emailed them recently and have an outstanding request or if you need anything in the near future, please be sure to email the correct Pod email address or contact Compliance@dca.ga.gov for assistance.

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Concerned that you are missing communications from DCA staff? Be sure to update your contact information using the DCA Management Company Questionnaire.

2020 UPDATED DCA UA SCHEDULE AND MAP

The 2020 DCA Utility Allowance Schedules for North Georgia and South Georgia and the 2020 Utility Allowance Map have been added to the DCA website. 2020 Maps are effective January 2020. Please be sure to check that you are using the most current map for your utility allowances. Management companies are strongly encouraged to check their property location in light of the realignment on the 2020 Utility Allowance map.

*Please note that Houston County is now located in the Southern Region

COMPLIANCE CORNER

HOME RENT REVIEW SUBMISSIONS

Be sure to use the fillable PDF version of the <u>HOME Rent Approval form</u> when submitting your HOME rents for approval. Please do not submit scanned copies of the PDF.

TENANT FILE SUBMISSIONS

Tenant files should be submitted as (1) PDF file per unit in the email submission (email attachment capacity is 150MB). Each file should be labeled with the unit number. Click here for complete guidance on tenant file submissions.

MITAS UPDATE

Testing of the new MITAS web portal will be starting soon after the holidays. Please note that the new portal will only support NAHMA versions 4.0 and 4.1. Also, NAHMA version 5.0 will be out within the next couple of months and version 6.0 will come out after January. Versions 4.0 - 6.0 will be the only versions supported by the new web portal. Versions before 4.0 will not be supported because they do not contain all of the HUD fields for the annual HUD submission. If your property is still using an older version, please have your software upgraded so that you can continue to

upload your tenant data into MITAS.

Stay tuned for more updates and training regarding the new MITAS web portal.

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TENANT SELECTION PLAN ADDENDUM

After being in operation for several years, the HUD 811 Office has seen many ways each property approaches a HUD 811 tenant approval. To help streamline this approach for the individuals with disabilities that we work with, and for the properties who have 811 contracts, the HUD 811 Office has developed an addendum to each property's Tenant Selection Plan (TSP). This document has been modeled after several states' 811 PRA TSP Addendums, and reviewed by DCA's LIHTC Compliance and Legal Teams, property management companies, and providers. We are making available for final comment until the close of business on December 13th. It will be enacted in January 2020.

Click here to review the addendum.

Please submit feedback to ilona.nagy@dca.ga.gov.

HELPING HAND

HOLIDAY STRESS AND DEPRESSION

While many of us welcome the holiday season to create memories with family and friends, some individuals are triggered into depression and stress during this time of the year. Don't forget about friends and family who are affected each year from holiday stress and depression as a result of memories of lost loved ones or socializing with difficult family members. To help a friend or family member manage holiday stress click here.

DON'T FORGET TO REMEMBER....

All DCA offices will be closed on **December 25th and 26th** in observance of the Christmas Holiday. We would like to wish everyone a safe holiday season!

Georgia Housing Search

Listing on GeorgiaHousingSearch.org is completely free and can be done online at GeorgiaHousingSearch.org or via a toll-free call center at 877-428-8844. For GeorgiaHousingSearch.org questions, please call 877-428-8844 (quickest and easiest!) or register online at www.GeorgiaHousingSearch.org.

Previous Notifications

Placed In Service Notification to DCA

To sign up for this **DCA Compliance Blast**, click <u>here</u> and join our email group for updates!

DCA should be notified using the Placed In Service



Notification no later than 30 days after the first building in your development is placed in service. The required notification form can be found on the **Compliance** Monitoring site, select the "Form" icon.

The form includes instructions for setting the development up in MITAS and obtaining initial access to MITAS for the property. For questions about the form or set up, send your email to compliance@dca.ga.gov.

A DCA Fair Housing Statement

A DCA Compliance **Website**

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A HOME Income Limits

The Georgia Department of Community Affairs is committed to providing all persons with equal access to its services, programs, activities, education and employment regardless of race, color, national origin, ADCA Allocation religion, sex, familial status, or disability.

For reasonable accommodations or alternate format information please contact compliance@dca.ga.gov



ME Rent Limits

🎰 Georgia Housing Search

Documents by Year

Applicants & Funded **Projects**

Quick Links

GA Affordable Housing Coalition

2013 HOME Final Rule

🛖 <u>Violence Against</u> Women Act (VAWA)

A Fair Housing Limited **English Proficiency** (LEP)

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