

HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER [HCV] PROGRAM Summary of Proposed Changes to the FY 2019-2020 Administrative Plan

1. Chapter 4 – Parts F & H Local Preferences

• Language add preference points for Referrals for Temporary and/or Permanent Relocation assistance from an Asset Management, RAD or Non-RAD unit. **80 points

** Referrals will be accepted from CMHA Special Admissions, Mainstream, Asset Management/LIPH, Asset Management Services, Relocation, DHAP, HUD funded FUP, Youths aging out of foster care FUP, Foster Youth Independence Initiative; LADD, HUD VASH, Strategies to End Homelessness, CILO and for regardless of whether a family is on the regular voucher wait list, regardless of whether the regular CMHA voucher wait list is open or closed, consistent with 24 CFR 982.206 (c).

2. Chapter 6 – Verification Procedures

I VERIFICATION OF WAIT LIST PREFERENCES [24 CFR 982.207]

Referrals for Temporary and/or Permanent Relocation Assistance from an Asset Management, RAD or Non-RAD unit. This preference is for temporary or permanent relocation assistance.

3. Chapter 7 – Briefing and Voucher Issuances

A. BRIEFING REQUIREMENTS – Initial Application Briefing [24 FR 982.301]

The briefings may be conducted in groups or via other oral format including but not limited to, by phone or video presentation.

CMHA will not issue a voucher to a family unless the head of household, co-head, spouse or adult family representative has participated with and/or attended a briefing.

4. Chapter 11 Housing Quality Standards and Inspections

Policy

CMHA may, at its discretion, choose the use of alternative inspection methods for periodic inspections, such as inspections performed by HUD or conducted pursuant to the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program or housing financed using Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTCs) for the biennial inspection. CMHA may also allow HQS inspections to be completed virtually. CMHA may also allow owner and families to document repairs with pictures.

5. Chapter 12 Making Payments to Owners

Housing Assistance Payments for the beginning of the month will be paid to owners when funds are received by HUD. CMHA expects to make this payment by the 5th of the month. Additional disbursements of payments may be made to owners, if funds are available.