

## Compliance Update | February 2024

### Conquering Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Compliance with optional HCCP exam 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. | Feb. 20 - 22, 2024

#### **REGISTER HERE**



Gary Kirkman of US Housing Consultants will present this 16.5-hour comprehensive ONLINE course. This three-day course is specifically designed to assist affordable housing professionals in conquering tax credit compliance!

Gary will delve deep into the tax credit regulations while providing real-world examples with practical application. The interactive and engaging course will incorporate examples, knowledge checks, and poll questions on multiple compliance topics trained to test participants throughout the course. Attendees completing the training will have a thorough understanding of not only how to maintain project compliance, but why it is so important!

Register by Feb. 12, 2024 to take advantage of our \$550 registration fee.

Price increases to \$650 on Feb. 13, 2024.

## HUD Launches Free Energy and Water Benchmarking Service for HUD-Assisted Multifamily Properties

We're pleased to <u>announce</u> HUD's Office of Multifamily Housing Programs new energy and water benchmarking service is now available without cost to owners of properties participating in our eligible Multifamily project-based rental assistance programs. Funded under the Biden-Harris Administration's landmark Inflation Reduction Act, this new service is designed to help owners understand their energy and water usage and identify where they can make upgrades for the greatest cost savings.

The HUD Energy and Water Benchmarking Initiative may provide a variety of benefits to multifamily property owners, including:

- Receiving an annual property analysis report with usage trends and identifying opportunities for energy and water savings in your building(s)
- Establishing eligibility or preparing you to make use of federal, state, and utility energy efficiency programs, such as HUD's Multifamily <u>Green and Resilient</u> <u>Retrofit Program</u> and EPA's <u>Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund</u>.
- Supporting early compliance with local ordinances as more <u>localities</u> across the country take interest in energy usage data of multifamily properties.

Contact MFBenchmarking@HUD.gov to opt-in to the program or get answers to your benchmarking questions. And look out for follow up emails from Leidos HUDMFBenchmarking@leidos.com to ensure your property is successfully benchmarked.

#### **FREE COVID-19 Testing Kits Available**

We are pleased to announce that HUD has expanded its partnership with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service (HHS) Administration to provide no-cost over the counter COVID-19 antigen test kits to all properties receiving assistance through the Office of Multifamily Housing (MFH).

Eligible properties include those assisted under the following programs: Section 8 project-based rental assistance (PBRA), 202/8, 202/162 PAC, 202/811 PRAC, 811 PRAC, SPRAC, and non-insured 236 properties with IRP Use Agreements (236 IRP).

Property staff may register with HHS's Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR) at the <u>Health Partner Ordering Portal (HPOP)</u>. Once the property's registration is approved by HUD, property staff can proceed to order weekly shipments of COVID-19 test kits to be delivered to their properties for distribution. This registration site is now open for all MFH-assisted properties. Please visit HUD's <u>COVID Testing</u> <u>webpage</u> and see below for additional information on registration, ordering, and test kit storage.

# **Updated 2024 Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Compliance Manual**

Please Note: Starting on page 73 of the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) manual, updated information is available relating to student financial assistance. These updates include types of financial assistance and how to determine what should be included for households with and without Section 8 assistance.

2024 LIHTC Compliance Manual

**Questions?** Contact Katie Whitehead, Director of Housing Compliance, at <a href="mailto:kwhitehead@kshousingcorp.org">kwhitehead@kshousingcorp.org</a>.



Our 19<sup>th</sup> annual Kansas Housing Conference will bring together housing professionals from across the state and region to network, learn, and explore the latest trends and innovations in affordable housing. Presenters will offer compliance training for housing administrators, sessions on expanding affordable housing opportunities in Kansas, and breakout content for housing advocates, community leaders, social service providers, and more!

Aug. 20-22, 2024 | Overland Park Convention Center

Conference registration opens in late spring!

#### Coming soon:

- Sponsor/Exhibitor registration
- Call for presentations

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