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**COVID-19 &  
HUD-PIH  
FAQ Review**

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## PHA COVID-19 RESOURCES

[www.nahro.org/coronavirus](http://www.nahro.org/coronavirus)

[www.hud.gov/coronavirus](http://www.hud.gov/coronavirus)

## State and Local Health Departments

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## HUD-PIH FAQ ON COVID-19

Released March 13, 2020.

### 4 Major Subject Areas:

- Emergency Preparedness
- Operational Concerns
- Eligible Use of Funds
- Relocation

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## HUD-PIH FAQ: EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



Questions directed to field staff and/or [PIH-COVID@hud.gov](mailto:PIH-COVID@hud.gov).



No new funding for emergency plans – allowable Operating or Admin. expense.



Use CDC and OSHA for cleaning guidance



Procurement – Normal rules. If non-competitive, justification is required.

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## HUD-PIH FAQ: OPERATIONAL CONCERNS

REAC inspections suspended for PH and Multi-Family

Expedited Waiver Process – [PIH\\_Disaster\\_Relief@hud.gov](mailto:PIH_Disaster_Relief@hud.gov)

HCV – PHAs have extension and lease up flexibility.

Biennial HQS inspections should be considered. HUD will consider waiver of board-approved Admin Plan changes.

Income decreases are not grounds for termination or eviction, use interim recertification.

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## HUD-PIH FAQ: OPERATIONAL CONCERNS (CON'T)

Capital Fund obligation end dates can be extended by request but must be done before the OED.

VMS delays – Contact your Financial Analyst at [FinancialManagement@hud.gov](mailto:FinancialManagement@hud.gov) to discuss.

In-person income certification and recertification are not required.

Annual plan public meeting still required – can be remote but must allow for questions and answers to be posted.

Capital Fund ACC Amendments must be signed, scanned, and emailed to HUD.

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## HUD-PIH FAQ: ELIGIBLE USE OF FUNDS

**Operating Funds** – staff labor hours, cleaning supplies, staff transportation to perform essential functions.

**Admin. Fees** – staff labor hours, cleaning supplies, staff transportation to perform essential functions, IT equipment.

**Capital Funds** – improve ventilation systems, filters, portable air filtration and portable humidifiers, Management improvements (emergency planning, public health training, IT equipment for remote meetings and telework, sanitation equipment.

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## HUD-PIH FAQ: RELOCATION

Health Department requested cleaning and temporary relocation of one unit is an operating expense.

Health Department requested cleaning and temporary relocation of multiple units and common areas is a capital expense.

Resident requested services treated as reasonable accommodation and need medical health professional verification.

Resident requested relocation is not required to be granted without a specific health department directive.

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