2017 Oregon Housing and Community Services’ Guidance related to Certification by State of PHA Plans Consistency with the Consolidated Plan

Public Housing Authorities (PHA) required to submit their 5-Year Plans and Annual Plans to HUD along with a certificate of consistency, signed by OHCS, that confirms their plans are consistent with the State’s Consolidated Plan. Continuums of Care (COC) are also required to submit certification of consistency when they complete their CoC NOFA Application.

In order for OHCS to be responsive and thorough in our review we are providing you with the following guidance. **OHCS requires ten working days to complete the review your requests.**

An OHCS review consists of evaluating plans in conjunction with federal requirements, the Consolidated Plan, and the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. These documents may be found at the following websites-


Please note, the State has developed and HUD has approved the **2016-2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice** and the **2016-2020 Consolidated Plan Amendment**. Your plans should be consistent with both of these documents.

HUD has adopted the Equal Access to Housing Rule and Guidance on Application of Fair Housing Act Standards to the Use of Criminal Records by Providers of Housing and Real Estate-Related Transactions. Compliance with both will be reviewed at the time of the request for the Certificate of Consistency.

OHCS often needs additional documentation prior to certifying that an agency’s plan is consistent with the State’s plan. Please allow for this possibility when making your request. You can plan on OHCS reviewing your LEP plan, nondiscrimination plan and your eligibility requirements to ensure that your Five Year or Annual Plan are consistent with the State’s adopted Consolidated Plan and the associated HUD regulations.

E-mail your request, with copies of your plans, to Shoshanah Oppenheim at shoshanah.oppenehim@oregon.gov. If you have any questions please contact Shoshanah at 503-400-2787, or Theresa Wingard at Theresa.wingard@oregon.gov at 503-986-0999.