

**OPM Compliance Updates** 

March 15, 2020

# **WHAT'S NEW**

During this high alert time across our nation, we strongly encourage our stakeholders to be informed on how to safeguard your residents and yourselves. Please take the time to review <u>critical information and resources</u> intended to prevent the spread of <u>COVID-19</u>.

#### ALERT! GA DCA INSPECTION PROTOCOL DUE TO COVID-19

In response to global public health concerns over COVID-19, we are suspending physical and file inspections until further notice. We will continue to monitor and provide updates accordingly. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with helping us to protect Georgia residents, our partners and staff.

#### **ALERT! SUPPORTIVE SERVICES SUSPENSION**

GA DCA recommends the suspension of supportive services programs and large gatherings in an effort to comply with social distancing recommendations resulting from COVID-19.

#### **ALERT! COMPLIANCE 101 TRAINING POSTPONED**

As a result of the recent developments of COVID-19, the Compliance 101 training scheduled for March 25, 2020 in Savannah, GA has been postponed until **August 19**, **2020**. If you are not able to attend in August and need to cancel your registration please contact Maureen Mercer at <a href="mmercer@gahcoalition.org">mmercer@gahcoalition.org</a>. If you registered and plan on attending in August no further action is required. See you in August!

## **COMPLIANCE CORNER**

#### **100% TAX CREDIT RENT INCREASE**

We recently received several resident concerns on 100% tax credit properties increasing rents to market rate during the affordability period when residents are deemed over income. Please take a moment to ensure that on-site staff understand the following rules:

- Market rate rent is restricted on 100% tax credit properties
- DCA rent increase policy

#### **NEW STAFF ANNOUNCEMENT**

OPM would like to announce Daidra Manning as a new Compliance Officer assigned to **POD C**. To contact her please email <a href="mailto:opmpodc@dca.ga.gov">opmpodc@dca.ga.gov</a>. Welcome Daidra!

Don't forget to check out the <u>811 Weekly Update!</u> It includes ways to connect with DCA staff, ask questions and receive technical assistance.

# **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 <a href="https://www.GeorgiaHousingSearch.org">www.GeorgiaHousingSearch.org</a>.

### **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 <a href="mailto:compliance@dca.ga.gov">compliance@dca.ga.gov</a>.

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For reasonable accommodations or alternate format information please contact <a href="mailto:compliance@dca.ga.gov">compliance@dca.ga.gov</a>





DCA Fair Housing
Statement

DCA Compliance
Website

**MTSP Income Limits** 

♠ HOME Income Limits

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Georgia Housing
Search

DCA Allocation
Documents by Year

Applicants & Funded Projects

# **Quick Links**

GA Affordable Housing
Coalition

2013 HOME Final Rule

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

Fair Housing Limited
English Proficiency
(LEP)

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