

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Assisted Housing Specialists

FROM: Tillie Wright, Assisted Housing Administrator

DATE: September 13, 2016

SUBJECT: **NEW 2017 PAYMENT STANDARD FOR HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS**

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Effective **October 1, 2016**, the payment standard for Housing Choice Vouchers will be as follows:

<u>0 BR</u>	<u>1 BR</u>	<u>2 BR</u>	<u>3 BR</u>	<u>4 BR</u>	<u>5BR</u>
\$760	\$979	\$1253	\$1801	\$2086	\$2399

The new payment standard is used for:

- ❖ New families who are admitted to the program
- ❖ Existing families at their annual recertification (if it is not less than the payment standard currently used)
- ❖ Existing families that move and
- ❖ Existing families that have a change in voucher size

When there is a decrease in the payment standard during the term of a HAP contract, the lower payment standard is used at the effective date of the family's **second regular reexam** following the effective date of the decrease in the payment standard. The PHA is to advise the family that the lower payment standard amount will be deferred until the **second regular re-exam**.

At the second regular re-exam, the lower payment standard is used unless the payment standard has subsequently been increased.

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cc: Sabrina Pierre-Louis  
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