MEMORANDUM

Second Addendum to Request for Proposals for Transitional Housing Projects serving Individuals with Mental Illness or Substance Use Disorders

December 11, 2018: New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority (the Authority) published a Request for Proposals (RFP) on its website on October 12, 2018 seeking applications for financing projects that would provide supportive affordable transitional housing for persons leaving mental health and substance use disorder treatment facilities.

At the information session held on November 13, 2018, one attendee asked the following question: How do we use the published rent limits and utility allowances for a group home setting? In the first addendum published on November 30, 2018, Authority staff indicated that further guidance would be provided at a later date. The purpose of this addendum is to provide that additional guidance.

In general, when determining rent limits for Single Room Occupancy (SRO) projects and Group Homes, NHHFA follows HUD Notice CPD 94-01 as a guide. There is no separate utility allowance as utilities are typically included in the rent for these units.

On a case-by-case basis, the Authority will allow a developer to charge up to 100% of the 0-bedroom Fair Market Rent per bedroom based on the individual project’s need to achieve operational sustainability.

If you wish to use this higher rent limit in an SRO project or a group home, please contact Lilybel Belen at 603-310-9278 to discuss your project.

If your project requests a preference for Housing Choice Vouchers in the Authority’s Administrative Plan and is awarded such, the rent to owner while an individual is assisted with an HCV will be set in accordance with 24 CFR 982.613.