Notice and Opportunity for Public Comment

The Concord Housing Authority (CHA) plans to modify its Grievance Policy for State-Aided Public Housing to ensure consistency with State regulations and the State-Aided Public Housing Lease.

Proposed changes are as follows:

- 1. Definition of a grievant is defined in state regulations and will include a person for whom the CHA holds personal information pursuant to 760 CMR 6:03.
- 2. The following will be listed as an exemption the right to a grievance "in the event the LHA has reason to believe that a guest of tenant or a guest of a household member has engaged in any of the behavior listed in 760 CMR 6.05(7)(b) and that tenant knew beforehand or should have known beforehand that there was a reasonable possibility that the guest would engage in misconduct." (See 760 CMR 6.06 (7)(b)(9))
- 3. The provision from the State-Aided Public Housing lease which addresses timeframe to provide additional reasons for termination has been added to the Grievance Policy.
- 4. References to the AHVP and the MRVP Program are removed because the CHA does not administer these programs and the policy is clarified to indicate that it applies to state funded programs only.
- 5. Timeframe for hearing date for a matter involving good cause to terminate a lease will be 14 days pursuant to 760 CMR 6.08(4)(c).

A detailed copy of the proposed grievance policy as available for viewing on the CHA website. Comments on the proposed changes are due by the close of business on **December 4, 2020** and should be addressed to Marianne Nelson, Executive Director of the CHA at 34 Everett St, Concord, MA 01742.