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The HUD Office of HIV/AIDS Housing will be presenting at the U.S. Conference on HIV/AIDS ([USCHA](#)) on September 6 - 9, 2023. If you are attending the conference, please join us at the following sessions:

1. **Accessing and Using Competitive Funding under the HOPWA Program.** Wednesday, September 6th, 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm. This session will provide an overview and tips on how to successfully plan, apply for, and implement a HOPWA project with competitive funding. Examples of current innovative HOPWA projects awarded with competitive funding will be shared with HOPWA grantee, AIDS Foundation of Chicago, providing an inside look at their HOPWA competitive grant funding.
2. **HUD's Outreach on HIV Housing Discrimination (Poster).** Thursday and Friday, September 7 - 8, 1:30 pm - 2:00 pm. This poster presentation will highlight HUD resources currently available for HIV housing discrimination, what constitutes housing discrimination because of HIV/AIDS, and about how to file a complaint under the Fair Housing Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.
3. **HOPWA Affinity Session.** Thursday, September 7th, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm. The HUD Office of HIV/AIDS Housing (OHH) will be hosting a HOPWA Affinity Session for all HOPWA grantees, project sponsors, and stakeholders. This will be an informal meeting focused on the HOPWA program that provides space to network, meet OHH staff, and ask questions.
4. **HOPWA Program: Clarifying the Requirements.** Friday, September 8th, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm. This workshop will provide a high-level overview of the HOPWA program, spotlight HOPWA program requirement and policy misconceptions, share where to locate helpful HOPWA resources, and allow ample time for questions and answers.

In addition to sessions being presented by HUD staff listed above, there are several sessions focused on housing at USCHA. All sessions can be found on the [USCHA agenda](#). Below are some of the housing-focused sessions on the agenda.

- HOPWA Unspent Funding: Local Advocacy and Coordination. Friday, September 8th, 4:15 pm – 6:15 pm
- Housing! From Prevention to Treatment in Ending the Epidemic. Wednesday, September 6th, 8:00 am - 11:00 am

- La Vivienda es Salud/ Housing is Health (Sesión Bilingüe/Bilingual Session). Wednesday, September 6th, 1:45 pm – 3:45 pm
- Improving Housing Opportunities as a Core Component of EHE. Wednesday, September 6th, 1:45 pm – 3:45 pm
- Stable Housing To End the Epidemic: A Guide for Providers. Thursday, September 7th, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Models of the Housing First Approach: Detroit Metro. Thursday, September 7th, 4:15 pm – 6:15 pm
- A Long Way to Home: Housing Justice to End HIV. Friday, September 8th, 4:15 pm – 6:15 pm
- Advocacy for HIV Programs: Housing and More! Saturday, September 9th, 9:00 am - 11:00 am

As a reminder, HUD issued a memorandum providing guidance to recipients of HOPWA formula and competitive grants on the use of HOPWA grant funds to pay for the cost of grantee and project sponsor staff attending USCHA. Memorandum: [Use of HOPWA Grant Funds for Participation at the 2023 United States Conference on HIV/AIDS](#)



Housing is an effective structural intervention in ending the HIV epidemic in the United States.

Each year, HOPWA ensures housing stability for more than 100,000 American households that are low-income and living with HIV.

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