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Office of Residential Care Facilities (ORCF) Position Vacancy

ORCF is pleased to announce that it is hiring for the following positions:

***Production Division – 2 positions***

***Account Executive – Underwriter (1 position)***

***Account Executive – Closer (1 position)***

The vacancy announcements are posted on USAJOBS:

Internal (Current or former federal employees qualifying as Status Candidates):

Locations – Atlanta, GA; Denver, CO; Columbus, OH; Miami, FL; Portland, OR; Washington, DC – [USAJOBS - Job Announcement](https://www.usajobs.gov/job/733256000)

Locations – Ft. Worth, TX; Los Angeles, CA; Minneapolis, MN; Omaha, NE; Richmond, VA; Seattle, WA – [USAJOBS - Job Announcement](https://www.usajobs.gov/job/733254900)

Public:

Locations – Atlanta, GA; Denver, CO; Columbus, OH; Miami, FL; Portland, OR; Washington, DC – [USAJOBS - Job Announcement](https://www.usajobs.gov/job/733257300)

Locations – Ft. Worth, TX; Los Angeles, CA; Minneapolis, MN; Omaha, NE; Richmond, VA; Seattle, WA – [USAJOBS - Job Announcement](https://www.usajobs.gov/job/733255000)

Because the application window is short, **closing on July 11, 2023** we are asking you to help us spread the word.

***Keyword:*** *Vacancy Announcement*

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NSPIRE Final Rule

HUD published the National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE) Final Rule in the *Federal Register* on May 11, 2023.  The Final Rule makes changes to inspections, including:

* **New Self-Inspection Requirement and Report**.  Owners will be required to conduct self-inspections of all units at least annually and correct all identified deficiencies.
* **Timeline for Deficiency Correction.**  HUD clarifies the timeline for the correction of health or safety deficiencies.  For life-threatening and severe deficiencies, the Owner must correct the deficiency within 24 hours after the inspection report is received, and upload evidence of that correction within 72 hours to HUD.
* **Resident Involvement** HUD will allow residents to make recommendations regarding units to be inspected and to receive copies of inspection results.

The implementation date is October 1, 2023 for properties participating in the Section 232 program.

The REAC team is developing training for you. This will include a combination of PowerPoint presentations, infographics and [instructional videos](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9..70cWAXr9IfkLSvBmzNWeNkUAlX3TsJK1n4bOlUjpVOE/s/1356290806/br/189220942185-l) that will be posted on the [NSPIRE website](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9._dXRtX21lZGl1bT1lbWFpbCZ1dG1fc291cmNlPWdvdmRlbGl2ZXJ5IiwiYnVsbGV0aW5faWQiOiIyMDIzMDUxMi43NjY1MTYxMSJ9.rmYnGrfLH6ea-n4XitTBLoYJZzwoizxySujmC4fRvmQ/s/1356290806/br/189220942185-l). For more information about the changes under the Final Rule, read the [press release](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9._dXRtX21lZGl1bT1lbWFpbCZ1dG1fc291cmNlPWdvdmRlbGl2ZXJ5IiwiYnVsbGV0aW5faWQiOiIyMDIzMDUxMi43NjY1MTYxMSJ9.6RYf9uP4WUGxuQexI0_duBBvQclQpIEboWbB8LDlQ5M/s/1356290806/br/189220942185-l) or the [full rule](https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2023/05/11/2023-09693/economic-growth-regulatory-relief-and-consumer-protection-act-implementation-of-national-standards).

***Keywords:*** *Asset Management, Physical Inspections, REAC*

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Healthcare Portal – File Name Issue

ORCF has identified an issue with uploading documents into the Healthcare Portal when a Microsoft Office document (i.e. Word, Excel, PDF) file name contains a "long dash” (–). File names that contain a long dash may not successfully upload to the Portal. When a space is entered before and after a dash in the name of a Microsoft document or PDF, it changes the dash from a "short" dash (-) to a "long" dash (–),To successfully upload of documents into the Portal, please **DO NOT USE SPACES BEFORE AND AFTER ANY DASHES** in the file name.

The document name below is an example of a "long" dash (located between "Receipt" and "FHA Application"):

**1-1.A\_PAYMENT RECEIPT – FHA APPLICATION FEE.PDF**

If your file names have dashes like this, please verify if they are "short" dashes or "long" dashes, and change them to only be “short” dashes, without spaces between the dash and the words before and after, such as the file name below:

**1-1.A\_PAYMENT RECEIPT-FHA APPLICATION FEE.PDF**

Making these changes should allow the user to upload the document without issue.

***Keywords:*** *232 Healthcare Portal*

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Lean Thinking Integrating into FHA Resource Center

Lean Thinking has long been a go-to source for general and nuanced questions regarding ORCF policies and requirements. ORCF seeks continuous improvement, and opportunities to improve Lean Thinking as a tool are certainly important. One such opportunity is by integrating Lean Thinking into the existing FHA Resource Center, which is being expanded as a customer service resource for multiple FHA programs. In the coming months, Lean Thinking will be working with the FHA Resource Center to provide the industry with a seamless, integrated process in timely responding to your inquiries. ORCF Policy staff and various ORCF subject matter experts will continue to be involved. Please be on the lookout in the near future for further details.

***Keywords:*** *Lean Thinking*

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FROM THE CLOSING CORNER

Lender’s Pre-Construction Conference Agenda (New Construction/Substantial Rehabilitation/241(a)) Updated to Include Requirements for the Green MIP Program

Mortgagee Letter 2022-13 “Green Mortgage Insurance Premium (MIP) Program Guidance for the Office of Health Care Facilities (ORCF)” was published on August 18, 2022.  For all New Construction, Substantial Rehabilitation and 241(a) Projects where Borrowers intend to participate in the Green MIP Program, Lenders must present the requirements outlined in Pre-Construction Conference Agenda and Mortgagee Letter 2022-13 (ML 2022-13) at the Pre-Construction Conference.  Lender’s Pre-Construction Conference Agenda may be found under “HUD Tools for Firm Commitment Applications” for each of New Construction, Substantial Rehabilitation and 241(a) project types in HUD’s Office of Residential Care Facilities Section 232 [Underwriting Guidance](https://www.hud.gov/federal_housing_administration/healthcare_facilities/residential_care/underwriting).  For further details, please see the [ML 2022-13](https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/OCHCO/documents/2022-13hsgml.pdf).

***Keywords*** *– Pre-Construction Conference, Pre-Construction Conference Agenda, Green Mortgage Insurance Premium (MIP)*

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| Past Lean 232 Updates are [available online](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDEsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTAxMDQuMzI3OTIyMzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5odWQuZ292L2ZlZGVyYWxfaG91c2luZ19hZG1pbmlzdHJhdGlvbi9oZWFsdGhjYXJlX2ZhY2lsaXRpZXMvcmVzaWRlbnRpYWxfY2FyZS9tYWlsX2JsYXN0X2luZGV4P3V0bV9tZWRpdW09ZW1haWwmdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSJ9.wD_kyOelsVj0O18oGZ6vB1qZQYtIH2lojk5kd633DYc/s/1356292409/br/92636915983-l).  Have questions about the Lean 232 Program? Please contact [LeanThinking@hud.gov](mailto:LeanThinking@hud.gov).  For more information on the Lean 232 Program, check out: [http://www.hud.gov/healthcare](https://lnks.gd/l/eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTAxMDQuMzI3OTIyMzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwOi8vd3d3Lmh1ZC5nb3YvaGVhbHRoY2FyZT91dG1fbWVkaXVtPWVtYWlsJnV0bV9zb3VyY2U9Z292ZGVsaXZlcnkifQ.1u0SLtDtXsU62834yVCK0A042fLMrX4ZfmVsijRPzQI/s/1356292409/br/92636915983-l).    Stay Connected with the Office of Housing and the Federal Housing Administration: |
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