

**2011 Northern American Housing and HIV/AIDS Research Summit**  
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TO: HOPWA grantees and project sponsors

I am pleased to share this information about an upcoming AIDS housing training opportunity. The Department is serving as a co-sponsor of the *2011 North American Housing and HIV/AIDS Research Summit*. This event will be taking place on September 21-23, 2011, in New Orleans. Please consider attending and joining in discussion on how research can be adapted in program practices to add value to current work underway in your programs.

HUD's Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD) and Office of Policy Development and Research (PD&R) are partnering with the National AIDS Housing Coalition (NAHC) and the Ontario HIV Treatment Network (OHTN) on the co-sponsorship of the Summit. The training will focus on the role of housing as a response to HIV challenges, such as its role in local strategies to address inequalities in HIV health outcomes and prevent new HIV infections. Raphael Bostic, HUD's Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research, will be providing a keynote address. Summit attendees will also have the opportunity to hear from other Federal officials, as well as researchers, policy experts, providers, and consumers of HIV/AIDS housing from across North America.

HOPWA grantees and project sponsors are encouraged to attend this important training event. Early discounted registration for the Summit will be available until August 21<sup>st</sup>. As the Summit is directly related to grant administration, HUD will accept reasonable costs incurred by HOPWA grantees and project sponsors for travel, registration fees and related costs for participation in the Summit. As a HOPWA designated training, HUD will also consider an allowance for prorating part of costs associated with program coordination, under the HOPWA resource identification activity. This office will provide further advice on this matter once the final agenda is set.

For more information and to register for the 2011 North American Housing and HIV/AIDS Research Summit, please visit: <http://www.hivhousingsummit.org/2011/frmHome.aspx> (copied below)

Thank you for your stewardship of HOPWA and other resources to assist eligible persons in your community.

Best regards

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