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Lead-Based Paint Training Available

HUD has asked NCDA to coordinate HUD's "Working Safely with Lead During Rehab and Maintenance Projects" training through its membership. HUD is in the process of delivering at least 200 of these training sessions in over 100 cities across the country and will likely add another 100 cities to the list. Two courses are being offered in these 100 cities. The first course is a one-day lead-based paint maintenance-training program – "Work Smart, Work Wet and Work Clean to Work Lead Safe" – targeted at maintenance workers, property owners, and managers, and other staff responsible for activities such as repainting and minor repairs. The second one-day course is for contractors and workers performing rehabilitation or remodeling activities including weatherization, structural repairs and unit upgrading. Completion of this one-day training course will enable participants to receive a "Notice of Completion" stating that they are "trained in lead-safe work practices" and meet the "interim control" training requirements of the HUD rule (rehabilitation costing between \$5,000 and \$25,000). Please note that these courses are not for the licensing of inspectors, risk assessors, abatement supervisors or abatement workers. Any personnel who are directly involved with conducting maintenance or rehabilitation activities on properties receiving federal assistance should attend. HUD has asked for NCDA's assistance in coordinating these training sessions in order to ensure that as many jurisdictions as possible have an opportunity to train their CDBG and HOME rehab workers and contractors, particularly those jurisdictions that have submitted a Statement of Inadequate Capacity to HUD.

It is urgent to contact Vicki Watson at NCDA as soon as possible to indicate whether or not you would like HUD to coordinate one of these training courses through your city. HUD is asking that at least 40 rehabilitation workers be assembled in order to hold the training. This may require some jurisdictions to come together to hold this training. HUD can provide the training directly – or you can choose to use an accredited training provider in your area. HUD would like to assemble as many training sessions as possible, as quickly as possible. If you are in need of this type of training, please call Vicki Watson, at 202-887-5532, or at e-mail vicki@ncdaonline.org, to begin the process of coordinating the training for you. Your prompt attention is greatly appreciated.