

or as required by state or local rules, if more stringent. If the facility does not have a mandatory meals plan, then state and local rules govern.

(b) Residents in projects which were originally constructed without kitchens in their units must take such meals as required by their mandatory meals agreement, or by the state's mandated requirements if more stringent (e.g., 2 meals, 2 snacks daily).

In either case, ALF management must coordinate meals requirements with the needs of residents who are out part of the day (e.g., in day care). The meals program may not be operated at a profit by the project owner.

(7) Your ALF's operation must be part of the project owner's management organization. Some or all of its functions may be contracted out. The ALF must predicate its budget on a two-tiered structure under which board and supportive service income and expenses must be maintained separately and independently from the regular income and expenses of the applicable project. The two components of ALF costs are:

(a) Charges/payment for board, which may be on a sliding scale or any other equitable fee system; and

(b) Charges/payment for necessary supportive services, which may include a combination of resident fees, Medicaid and/or other third party payments.

(8) Priority admissions for ALF units are as follows:

(a) Current residents desiring an ALF unit and meeting the program requirements (no resident can be required to accept an ALF unit).

(b) Qualified individuals or families needing ALF services who are already on the project's waiting list;

(c) Qualified individuals or families in the community needing ALF services wanting to be added to the project's waiting list; and

Note: Qualified disabled non-elderly persons needing assisted living services are eligible to occupy these units on the same basis as elderly persons, except for section 202 project rental assistance contracts (PRAC) projects and unused/underutilized commercial properties.

(9) The management of the project must set up a separate waiting list for ALF units. ALF units must be for eligible residents who meet the admissions/discharge requirements as established for assisted living by State and local licensing, or HUD frailty requirements under 24 CFR 891.205 if more stringent.

(10) Costs of meals and supportive services are not covered by this HUD grant. These items must be paid for through other sources (e.g., a mix of resident fees and/or third party

providers). Evidence of third party commitment(s) must be included as part of the application. (See Section VI B(6) of this NOFA.) The assisted living supportive services program must promote independence and provide personal care assistance based on individual needs in a home-like environment. In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and HUD's regulations at 24 CFR 8.4(d), the project must deliver services in the most integrated setting appropriate to the needs of qualified individuals with disabilities (see Section VI(B)(8)(b) through (c) of this NOFA).

(11) Upon receipt of a grant under this program, all project owners participating in the ALCP must provide a Declaration of Restrictive Covenants (DRC), which will be recorded with the land, to retain the low income character of the housing, and to maintain the project (including the ALF), as a moderate, low, or very low income facility (as appropriate) for at least 20 years beyond the current 40-to-50 year term of the mortgage loan or capital advance. Recipients of grant funds to convert unused or underutilized commercial property must provide a DRC for at least 20 years or for the term of the mortgage on the property whichever is longer.

(12) This program does not allow permanent displacement of any resident living in the project at the time the application was submitted to HUD. (HUD will only provide temporary relocation costs for current tenants if they must vacate their unit while conversion work is underway (normal temporary relocation costs include increases in rent, reconnection of telephones, moving costs and appropriate out-of-pocket expenses)).

(13) The ALCP requires service coordination responsible for linking the ALF to services in the community which are available to low-income persons. All projects funded under this NOFA must have sufficient service coordination in place, or request additional funds, if appropriate, to ensure that services meeting licensing requirements are available to ALF residents on an ongoing basis. Service coordination must be described in the application (see Section VI(B)(8)(b) through (c) of this NOFA). If you need to enhance an existing service coordination program or add one where it does not exist, you may apply for funding through the Service Coordinator NOFA, published elsewhere in this SuperNOFA, and attach a copy of the Form HUD 424 so indicating the request to the ALCP application. Alternatively,

you may show evidence that funding for the enhanced service coordination is provided by other sources and indicate such funding on the HUD Form 424 which is exhibit 10(a) of your ALF application. If you are funded under this NOFA and requested new or enhanced service coordination you will be funded first under the service coordinator NOFA.

Note: If you are a Section 202 PRAC project owner or an owner with unused or underutilized commercial properties, you are NOT eligible to request funding under the service coordinator NOFA. Section 202 PRAC owners can pay for the service coordinator out of PRAC funds.

In addition to above requirements, the following applicable guidelines are stated:

(a) The ALF must be staffed either directly or through coordination with local agencies, depending on state regulations or local requirements. These may also serve non-ALF residents of the project on a time available and appropriate fee basis.

(b) The ALF may cater to the special needs of residents depending on their condition or diagnosis, such as Alzheimer's disease. If it does so, the design/environment of such facilities must accommodate those needs, e.g., dementia special care unit. However, the ALF cannot provide a service it is not licensed by the State or locality to provide.

Note 1: Owners of section 202/PRAC projects are reminded that they may include a PRAC payment of up to \$15/unit/month not to exceed 15% of the total program cost, consistent with 24 CFR 891.225(b)(2) to cover part of the cost of meals and/or supportive services for frail elderly residents, including residents of the ALF.

Note 2: Training for ALF staff is an eligible project cost under existing operating procedures.

For further information on ALFs, please refer to Handbook 4600.1, CHG-1, "Mortgage Insurance for Residential Care Facilities," Chapter 13. This Handbook and recent ALF program Notices are accessible through HUDCLIPS on HUD's web site. The URL for the HUDCLIPS Database Selection Screen is <http://www.hudclips.org/subscriber/cgi/legis.cgi>. These notices are in the Handbooks and Notices—Housing Notices database. Enter only the number without the letter prefix (e.g., 99-16) in the "Document number" to retrieve the program notice.

For further guidance on service coordinators, please refer to Handbook 4381.5 REV-2, CHANGE-2, Chapter 8, "The Management Agent's Handbook,"