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## **Second Quarter 9902 Reporting:**

### **Reminder for HUD approved Housing Counseling Agencies:**

HUD has begun the process of reviewing and validating 9902 data. If you have not yet submitted your quarterly 9902 report, please do so immediately.

As you prepare your submissions, please keep the following in mind:

- Ensure that you are selecting FY13 Quarter 2 as your submission.
- The total numbers reported for sections, 3, 4, and 5 should be equal. The totals reported for sum of section 6 and 7 should be the same as the totals for 3, 4, and 5. Remember,  $3=4=5=6+7$ .
- Once a submission has been made, please log into HCS to ensure that the data appears in the system and is correct. If your agency has an active HUD grant, please ensure the HUD activity column is populated.

Please direct any questions to your agency's HUD Point of Contact (POC) or email: [housing.counseling@hud.gov](mailto:housing.counseling@hud.gov)

AND

### **Webinar: Understanding the National Mortgage Settlement: A Road Map for Housing Counselors:**

May 30, 2013 at 2:00 pm EST (part 1) and June 6, 2013 at 3:00 pm EST (part 2).  
Webinar: Understanding the National Mortgage Settlement: A Road Map for Housing Counselors. Presented by the National Consumer Law Center (NCLC). The National Mortgage Settlement is an agreement reached last year by the attorneys general of forty-nine states and the District of Columbia, the federal government, and five mortgage servicers. During this two-part free webinar series, housing counselors will learn the details of the Settlement and how it helps homeowners by:

- Establishing clear guidelines on how loans in foreclosure should be processed
- Requiring servicers to inform borrowers of all workout options and evaluate borrowers for all available loan modification options before referral to foreclosure
- Placing limits on fees and other charges
- Requiring servicers to respond in a timely manner

Counselors will also learn about a new easy-to-use online checklist that will aid counselors in recognizing, documenting, and reporting violations of the settlement's servicing standards. A free workbook will accompany the webinar. Registration required, no fee. Register on-line at: <http://www.nclc.org/foreclosure-prevention-counseling-additional-resources/national-mortgage-settlement-checklist.html>

Visit the NCLC on line at: <http://www.nclc.org/>

AND

**HUD Fair Housing Accessibility FIRST Program Training comes to VA, OH and MS:**

Fair Housing Accessibility FIRST 2013 program training is coming to Richmond VA, Columbus OH, and Greenwood MS. FIRST is designed to promote compliance with the Fair Housing Act design and construction requirements. FIRST training typically includes an overview of the accessibility requirements of the Fair Housing Act, the Act's scoping and coverage, a discussion of the seven technical requirements, as well as other resources to aid in compliance. Housing Counselors are encouraged to attend. This training is live, free and will be held in various locations around the nation. Please see the FIRST training schedule for more info at: <http://www.fairhousingfirst.org/training/calendar.html>

AND

**Two New HUD Press Releases:**

- NATIONAL MORTGAGE SETTLEMENT PROVIDES MORE THAN \$50 BILLION IN CONSUMER RELIEF: [http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/press/press\\_releases\\_media\\_advisories/2013/HUDNo.13-079](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/press/press_releases_media_advisories/2013/HUDNo.13-079)
- HUD AND ALABAMA REAL ESTATE COMPANY SETTLE CLAIM ALLEGING AGENT DISCRIMINATED AGAINST AFRICAN AMERICAN HOMEBUYER: [http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/press/press\\_releases\\_media\\_advisories/2013/HUDNo.13-077](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/press/press_releases_media_advisories/2013/HUDNo.13-077)

Visit HUD's Press Room to view the latest press releases:  
<http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/press>

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**Bulk subscriptions:**

Some housing counselors have asked, "How do I sign up my entire agency staff for housing counseling listserv updates?" It is easy... Just list your staff email addresses like this:

[aaa@xyz.com](mailto:aaa@xyz.com)

[bbb@xyz.com](mailto:bbb@xyz.com)

[ccc@xyz.com](mailto:ccc@xyz.com)

You can send in one email address or your entire agency. Email your list to:  
[jerrold.h.mayer@hud.gov](mailto:jerrold.h.mayer@hud.gov)

If you have a housing counseling industry friend who you want to subscribe to this listserv, there are 3 other ways to sign up: 1. send them this link:  
[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc\\_listserv](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc_listserv)  
they can sign up for the listserv there; or 2: forward them this email; or 3: Visit:  
<http://www.usa.gov> and subscribe at:  
<http://apps.gsa.gov/FirstGovCommonSubscriptionService.php> To unsubscribe - go to:  
<http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/subscribe/maillinglist> and click on  
"Housing Counseling" and follow the unsubscribe instructions on that page.

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### **Some Helpful Links for Housing Counselors:**

HUD Housing Counseling: [www.hud.gov/housingcounseling](http://www.hud.gov/housingcounseling)

"The Bridge" is the HUD Office of Housing Counseling Newsletter; read archived issues on-line at:

[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc\\_bridge](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc_bridge)

Housing Counseling Listserv archive:

[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc\\_msg](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc_msg)

Events & Training Calendar:

[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?mode=disppage&id=OHC\\_TRAINING](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?mode=disppage&id=OHC_TRAINING)

Contracting Opportunities:

[http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program\\_offices/cpo](http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program_offices/cpo)

Career Opportunities: <http://www.usajobs.gov>

Grant Opportunities:

[http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program\\_offices/administration/grants/fund savail](http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program_offices/administration/grants/fund_savail)

Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas:

[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/housing/sfh/nsc/disaster](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/sfh/nsc/disaster)

Foreclosure Assistance:

[http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/i\\_want\\_to/talk\\_to\\_a\\_housing\\_counselor](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/i_want_to/talk_to_a_housing_counselor)

Making Home Affordable: <http://www.makinghomeaffordable.gov/pages/default.aspx>

Freddie Mac Housing Professionals Resource  
Center: <http://www.freddiemac.com/corporate/housingpros/>

This list will often provide training opportunities and event announcements for non-profit and local government HUD Housing Counseling partners. HUD does not endorse the organizations sponsoring linked websites, and we do not endorse the views they express or the products/services they or their community/business partners offer. For more information on HUD's web policies please visit:

<http://www.hud.gov/assist/webpolicies.cfm>

Thank you!!!!