

## **Notice of interim protocol for inspection of NYCHA projects impacted by Super Storm Sandy**

Contractors are hereby advised that some NYCHA projects were impacted by Super Storm Sandy. RAP has made the best effort to identify the affected projects. Inspectors should note that some of the projects will have apparent damage that may affect accessibility. Other projects may appear undamaged but determined to be damaged and impact may result in areas that are inaccessible. RAP recommends that as part of scheduling protocol that inspectors address these issues beforehand during scheduling and promptly report any issue that the inspector feels may result in an inability to obtain a “good” inspection prior to reporting for scheduled inspections.

Standard UPCS protocol will be used for inspecting Sandy impacted projects and RAP has provided additional guidance for inspecting NYCHA projects identified as impacted by Super Storm.

Guidance for inspecting Sandy impacted project:

1. Inspector will verify/confirm with NYCHA staff during scheduling or soon afterward, whether projects were impacted by Super Storm Sandy and note this in inspection data.
2. Inspectors will use standard UPCS protocol to conduct inspections of Sandy impacted projects.
3. If a project has an inspectable area is determined to be inaccessible per NYCHA or HUD QA due to damage, vacancy or other stated reason, the inspector will notify REAC TAC, obtain a TAC number, and make the necessary profile adjustment to continue the inspection.
4. Inspectors will use standard UPCS protocol regarding inspection of vacant or offline units.
5. Inspectors will ensure that issues regarding profile or inspectability that may affect your ability to obtain a “good inspection” are verified prior to reporting for these inspections to avoid reports of uninspectable projects.
6. Inspectors are encouraged to contact us at [REACReverseAuctionProgram@hud.gov](mailto:REACReverseAuctionProgram@hud.gov) with questions or comments regarding this guidance for inspecting Sandy impacted projects.

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