



Notice **No: 12-03**

APPLICABLE TO:

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Provincial Reform Co-operative
<input type="checkbox"/>	OCHAP Rent Supplement
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Federal

DATE: March 12, 2012

<input type="checkbox"/>	Mandatory
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	For Information

SUBJECT: Housing Services Act and Regulations – Local Rules**Background**

The *Social Housing Reform Act* has been repealed and replaced with the *Housing Services Act (HSA)* effective January 1, 2012.

As per Notice #12-01, housing providers were supplied with a schedule of local policy review for new and/or revised local rules required under the Act.

The following local rules have been established and are attached to this Notice:

1. Notice and Opportunity to Comment
2. Insitu Households
3. Review of RGI Eligibility – Applicant
4. Review of RGI Eligibility – Tenant/Member
5. Information to Public
6. Operational Review
7. Penalties – Annual Information Return (AIR)

Housing Provider's Role

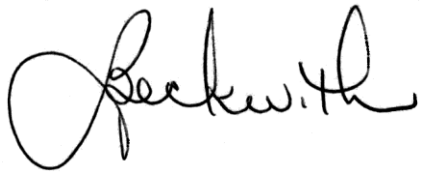
Housing Providers are directed to:

1. Adopt and implement the new local rules as attached to this Notice;
2. Ensure board meeting minutes reflect the approval and adoption of the local rules; and,
3. Ensure that all staff responsible for the administration and management of the social housing program to which this Notice applies is familiar with the local rules as established, as well as the *Housing Services Act* and its Regulations.

Service Manager's Role:

Throughout 2012, local rules will be developed and issued to housing providers according to the schedule of local policy review.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this notice, please contact your Housing Administrator at (905) 682-9201.

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Lora Beckwith, General Manager