

4904 VETERANS AFFAIRS SUPPORTIVE HOUSING – SPECIAL PROGRAM RULES

- 4904.1 Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) vouchers are generally administered in accordance with the HCVP tenant-based rental assistance regulations set forth at 24 C.F.R. § 982, the DCMR, and this Administrative Plan.
- 4904.2 To be HUD-VASH eligible, a family must include at least one homeless veteran. Section 8(o)(19) of the United States Housing Act of 1937, 42 U.S.C. § 1437f(o) (19) (2006) requires homeless veterans to have chronic mental illnesses or chronic substance use disorders with treatment of these disorders required as a condition of receipt of HUD-VASH assistance. This requirement shall be waived for the VASH program.
- 4904.3 HUD has prescribed additional operating requirements for this program which DCHA shall follow. Those additional requirements can be found in Department of Housing and Urban Development, *Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers: Implementation of the HUD-VA Supportive Housing Program*, Docket No. FR-5211-N-01.
- 4904.4 Pursuant to the guidance issued by HUD, if DCHA recommends a VASH participant for termination, DCHA may first consult with the VASH participant's case manager prior to terminating to discuss the reasons for terminating and discuss whether termination can be avoided.
- 4904.5 If HUD waives or specifies alternative requirements in connection with the VASH Program, DCHA shall incorporate these changes in the administration of the VASH Program where applicable.
- 4904.6 Upon turnover, HUD-VASH vouchers shall be issued to eligible families as identified by the Veterans Affairs Medical Center (VAMC).
- 4904.7 If a HUD-VASH voucher participant no longer requires case management by VAMC, he or she may qualify to receive a voucher under the regular HCVP. DCHA has allotted a certain number of vouchers specifically for veterans in this situation.
- 4904.8 VAMC shall be responsible for maintaining lists of eligible veterans requesting a voucher who do not qualify for case management.

SOURCE: Final Rulemaking published at 59 DCR 7856, 7860 (June 29, 2012).