



# U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

ATTESTATION REVIEW OF HUD'S COMPLIANCE WITH OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 | 2023-FO-0801

**January 31, 2023** 

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Date: January 31, 2023

To: Claudette Fernandez

General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, D

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From: Kilah S. White

Assistant Inspector General for Audit, GA

Subject: Independent Attestation Review of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's

Compliance With Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) Requirements for Fiscal Year

2022 Reporting

We have reviewed the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Detailed Accounting Report and the related management assertions for National Drug Control Program activities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2022. We also reviewed the Budget Formulation Compliance Report, which includes budget formulation information for fiscal year 2024, and the related management assertions for National Drug Control Program activities. HUD's management is responsible for preparing the Detailed Accounting Report and Budget Formulation Compliance Report in accordance with (or based on) the Office of National Drug Control Policy's (ONDCP) Circular, National Drug Control Program Agency Compliance Reviews, dated September 9, 2021. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion about the reliability of each assertion made in these reports.

We performed this review as required by section 705(d) of Public Law 105-277, which requires National Drug Control Program agencies to submit to the Director of ONDCP a detailed accounting of all funds spent by the agencies for National Drug Control Program activities during the previous fiscal year and that the accounting be authenticated by agency Inspectors General before submission.

We conducted our attestation review in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the review to obtain limited assurance about whether any material modifications should be made to management's assertions in order for them to be in accordance with the ONDCP compliance reviews circular. The procedures performed in a review vary in nature and timing from and are substantially less extensive than an examination, the objective of which is to obtain reasonable assurance about whether management's assertions are in accordance with (or based on) the criteria, in all material respects, in order to express an opinion. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Because of the limited nature of the engagement, the level of assurance obtained in a review is substantially lower than the assurance that would have been obtained had an examination been performed. We believe that the review evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with relevant ethical requirements related to the engagement.

For our review, we performed the following: (1) reviewed HUD's evidence for the assertions, (2) reviewed HUD's source files for data reported in the Detailed Accounting Report, (3) determined whether HUD made the assertions required by ONDCP, and (4) made necessary inquiries of HUD and ONDCP personnel.

Based upon our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to HUD's Detailed Accounting Report and Budget Formulation Compliance Report in order for them to be in accordance with (or based on) ONDCP's Circular, National Drug Control Program Agency Compliance Reviews, dated September 9, 2021.

HUD's management's assertions, along with the Detailed Accounting Report and Budget Formulation Compliance Report, are included as appendix B.

Although this report is an unrestricted public document, its purpose is to authenticate HUD's reporting on national drug control spending to the director of ONDCP. This report is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Thank you for the cooperation and participation of HUD personnel in completing the attestation review. If you have any questions or comments about this report, please call Brittany Wing, Audit Director, at (202) 320-7296.

## Appendices:

Auditee's Comments

Management Representation Letter, HUD's Budget Formulation Compliance Report, and Detailed Accounting Report

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## Appendix A – Auditee's Comments



# U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT WASHINGTON, DC 20410

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

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January 23, 2023

MEMORANDUM FOR: Kilah S. White, Assistant Inspector General for Audit, GA

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FROM: George J. Tomchick, III, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, F

SUBJECT: Attestation Review of HUD's Compliance with ONDCP for

Fiscal Year 2022

Dear Ms. White:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the draft attestation review. The Office of the Chief Financial Officer does not have any comments to include in the final report. We value HUD OIG's efforts and professionalism throughout the attestation review process.

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Appendix B - Management Representation Letter, HUD's Budget Formulation Compliance Report, and Detailed Accounting Report



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT WASHINGTON, DC 20410-7000

January 31, 2023

Ms. Kilah S. White Assistant Inspector General for Audit U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Inspector General 451 7th Street SW, Room 8254 Washington, DC 20410-0001

Dear Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Kilar White:

We are providing this letter in response to requirements pursuant to the Office of National Drug Control Circular: National Drug Control Program Agency Compliance Review (September 9, 2021).

The Department's Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Grants program supports efforts to eliminate homelessness by financing local solutions that provide housing and supportive services on a short or long-term basis to those experiencing homelessness. While the Continuum of Care (COC) helps support recovery by providing housing resources, HUD does not have a specific appropriation for drug-related activities. Although COC grantees can utilize funds to help people with chronic substance abuse, they are not required to do so. HUD uses a methodology approved by ONDCP to estimate how many homeless people dealing with chronic substance abuse issues that may have been served with HUD funds based on application data.

Section 8071 (Pilot Program to Help Individuals in Recovery from a Substance Use Disorder become Stably Housed) of the Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and Communities (SUPPORT) Act allows states and the District of Columbia to provide stable, transitional housing for individuals in recovery from a substance use disorder. The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 (P.L. 117-103) provided \$25 million for such purposes.

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the following representations and assertions as they pertain to HUD's fiscal year 2022 Budget Formulation Compliance and Detailed Accounting submission to ONDCP:

# Written Assertion Requirements (ONDCP Regulations- Budget Formulation Compliance Submission)

- The HUD FY 2024 Summer Drug Budget submission to ONDCP under cover letter provided in response to Section 6.a.(1) in response to ONDCP Circular: Budget Formulation, Section 9 was provided to ONDCP at the same time as that budget request was submitted to the Office of Budget, Office of the Chief Financial Officer in accordance with 21 U.S.C. 1703(c)(1)(A).
- The funding request in the submission provided in Section 6.a.(2) of the ONDCP Circular National Drug Control Program Agency Compliance Review represent the funding levels in the

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budget submission made by the Office of Community Planning and Development to the Office of Budget, Office of the Chief Financial Officer without alteration or adjustment by any official at the Department.

## Written Assertion Requirements (ONDCP Regulations- Detailed Accounting Submission)

- The drug methodology used to calculate obligations of prior year budgetary resources by function for all bureaus and by budget decision unit is based on reliable data in which the data's availability, timeliness, and relevance were considered.
- The financial systems supporting the drug methodology yield data that fairly present, in all material respects, aggregate obligations from which drug-related obligation estimates are derived.
- The drug methodology described in the report was the actual methodology used to generate the required data table.
- All material weaknesses, or other findings by independent sources, or other known
  weaknesses, including those identified in the Agency's Annual Statement of Assurance, which
  may affect the presentation of prior year drug-related obligations have been disclosed.
- There were no modifications made to the methodology for reporting drug control resources from the previous year's reporting.
- 6. The data presented are associated with obligations against a financial plan that, if revised during the fiscal year, properly reflects those changes, including ONDCP's approval of reprogramming or transfers affecting drug-related resources in excess of \$5 million or 10 percent of a specific program or account included in the National Drug Control Budget.
- The data presented are associated with obligation against a financial plan that fully complied with all Fund Control Notices issued by the Director under 21 USC 1703(f) and Section 9 of the ONDCP Circular, Budget Execution.

Sincerely,

Claudette Fernandez Digitally signed by Claudette Fernandez Date: 2023.01.24 14:22:04 -05'00'

Claudette Fernandez

General Deputy Assistant Secretary

Office of Community Planning and Development

#### Attachment

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Office of Community Planning and Development FY 2022 Budget Formulation Compliance Report

#### SUMMER BUDGET INFORMATION

On June 13, 2022, the summer budget was submitted to ONDCP under ONDCP Circular: Budget Formulation, Section 9.a. (1).

HUD's Summer Drug Budget resource summary table was submitted to ONDCP under ONDCP Circular: Budget Formulation, Section 9.a.(2).

HUD's Summer Budget resource summary table---

# **Resource Summary**

Resource Summary					
	Budget Auth	Budget Authority (in millions)			
	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024		
	Enacted	Request	Request		
Drug Resources by Function					
Treatment	\$675.268	\$756.217			
Total Drug Resources by Function	\$675.268	\$756.217			
Drug Resources by Decision Unit					
Continuum of Care: Homeless Assistance Grants	\$650.268	\$731.217			
Section 8071 Pilot Recovery Housing Program	\$25.000	\$25.000			
Total Drug Resources by Function	\$675.268	\$756.217			
Drug Resources Personnel Summary					
Total FTEs (direct only)					
Drug Resources as a percent of Budget					
Total Agency Budget (in Billions)	\$65.7	\$71.9	\$N/A		
Drug Resources percentage	1.0%	1.1%	N/A%		

# MANAGEMENT ASSERTIONS

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the following <u>representations</u> and assertions as they pertain to HUD's fiscal year 2022 Budget Formulation Compliance submission to ONDCP:

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- The funding request in the submission provided in Section 6.a.(2) of the ONDCP Circular National Drug Control Program Agency Compliance Review represent the funding levels in the budget submission made by the Office of Community Planning and Development to the Office of Budget, Office of the Chief Financial Officer without alteration or adjustment by any official at the Department.

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# <u>Department of Housing and Urban Development</u> FY 2022 Detailed Accounting Report

## Resource Summary

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	Budget Authority (in millions)			
	FY 2022			
	Enacted			
Drug Resources by Function				
Recovery	\$660.688			
Total Drug Resources by Function	\$660.688			
Drug Resources by Decision Unit				
Continuum of Care: Homeless Assistance Grants	\$635.688			
Section 8071 Pilot Recovery Housing Program	\$25.000			
Total Drug Resources by Function	\$660.688			
Drug Resources Personnel Summary				
Total FTEs (direct only)				
Drug Resources as a percent of Budget				
Total Agency Budget (in Billions)	\$65.7			
Drug Resources percentage	1.0%			

# METHODOLOGY

The Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs in HUD does not have a specific appropriation for drug-related activities. Many of its programs target the most vulnerable citizens in our communities, including individuals with chronic mental health or substance use issues, persons living with HIV/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS), and formerly incarcerated individuals. Recipients of resources provided by the Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs report to HUD annually how many people they intend to serve through the Continuum of Care (CoC) Program funding. The most recent CoC Competition data (from FY 2021) shows that 21.8 percent of clients served will receive substance use treatment. HUD relied on the fiscal year 2021 competition data because grants funded from that year's appropriation (FY 2022) operate during calendar year 2022, which most closely aligns to the reporting period in this report. HUD then multiplies this number by the CoC appropriation to determine the anticipated amount that will be spent on serving persons with chronic substance

abuse issues. The fiscal year 2022 appropriation for the CoC Program, inclusive of the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program funding, was \$2.916 billion, of which \$635.7 million (rounded) is anticipated to be spent on persons with chronic substance abuse issues.

Section 8071 (Pilot Program to Help Individuals in Recovery from a Substance Use Disorder become Stably Housed) of the Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and Communities (SUPPORT) Act allows states and the District of Columbia to provide stable, transitional housing for individuals in recovery from a substance use disorder. The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 (P.L. 117-103) provided \$25 million for such purposes. The pilot program has been established for FY 2019-FY 2023, though it was not funded in 2019. For consistency in presentation of HUD's drug-related funding activities, budget authority is provided in the Resource Summary table, with the assumption that all appropriations will obligate. Obligations to date include \$500,000 in 2020, \$7,591,513 in 2021, and \$36,835,062 in 2022.

#### MATERIAL WEAKNESSES OR OTHER FINDINGS

HUD has not identified any material weaknesses or other findings.

#### REPROGRAMMINGS OR TRANSFERS

HUD did not reprogram or transfer any drug control funds in fiscal year 2022.

#### OTHER DISCLOSURES

HUD has not identified any other disclosures relating to the fiscal year 2022 drug control funds.

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