OFFICE OF POLICY DEVELOPMENT & RESEARCH

PD&R

- 1973 – PD&R created combining policy and research functions
  - See PD&R @50 articles here
- Five major offices:
  - Economic Affairs
  - Policy Development
  - Research, Evaluation, and Monitoring
  - Technical Assistance
  - Chief Data Officer

Evaluation & Research

- HUD Evaluation Policy Statement
- HUD Learning Agenda
- PD&R Ongoing Research
- PD&R Studies
- HUD Datasets

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAMS

HUD Supportive Housing Programs (examples)

- Section 811 Project Rental Assistance (PRA) Program
  - Funds affordable, integrated supportive rental housing for extremely low-income non-elderly people with disabilities; implemented by state housing agencies in partnership with state Medicaid and/or health and human services agencies
- Section 202 Supportive Housing for Older Adults
  - Funds supportive housing properties owned by nonprofits to provide affordable supportive rental housing for very low-income elderly persons.
- Mainstream Voucher Program
  - Housing Choice Vouchers targeted to very low-income non-elderly people with disabilities and administered by public housing agencies (PHAs).

Resources Related to Supportive Housing

- HUD-HHS Housing and Services Resource Center
  - Information and tools to improve cross-sector partnerships and foster collaboration among housing and service providers serving people with disabilities, people experiencing homelessness, and older adults.
- HUD-HHS Housing and Services Partnership Accelerator
  - Support states in developing or expanding innovative housing-related supports and services for Medicaid-eligible people with disabilities and older adults who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness
- Housing and Health Data Dashboard
  - Resource for locating data that may be helpful for housing and health related research

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAMS

PD&R Studies on Supportive Housing (examples)

- Supportive Services Demonstration and Evaluation: Testing Integrated Wellness in Supportive Housing (IWISH) Model
  - Large, cluster randomized-controlled trial that leverages HUD-assisted properties as a platform for the coordination and delivery of services to better address the interdependent health and supportive service needs of its older residents.

- Evaluation of the Section 811 Project Rental Assistance program
  - Multi-year project to assess the implementation and effectiveness of this new model of housing assistance for extremely low-income non-elderly adults with disabilities.

- Understanding Rapid Re-Housing Study
  - Multi-year project undertaken to address important questions about rapid re-housing (RRH) assistance and how it is administered by organizations and experienced by program participants in communities around the country.

Service Coordinator Program

o Service coordinators assist elderly individuals and persons with disabilities in obtaining the supportive services they need to live independently and prevent premature institutionalization at properties.

o The service coordinator plays a critical role in supporting HUD-assisted multifamily housing as a platform for financial security, physical security, social connections, and the delivery of long-term community based supportive services, especially for vulnerable populations such as the elderly and persons with disabilities.

o Funding covers the service coordinator salaries and fringe benefits, training, quality assurance, and relevant administrative expenses.

o Property that may have a service coordinator are 202 Project Rental Assistance Contract (PRAC), Section 202 Direct Loan, Section 221(d)(3) Below-Market Interest Rate (BMIR), Section 236, and certain Section 8 programs that primarily serve seniors.

o Conducting comprehensive, non-clinical assessments of residents for wellness and social needs.

o Helping residents to identify, access, and coordinate services.

o Monitoring the receipt and follow through of services, including encouraging and motivating residents to engage with providers and participate in their own care/services management.

o Proactively developing and arranging educational or preventative health programs and services.

o Developing and sustaining partnerships with local agencies and organizations serving older adults.

o Maintaining an up-to-date resource directory with all local service providers.

Service Coordinator Funding

- <u>Budget Based Rent Increase</u>
  - Section 202/PRAC
  - 202/8
  - Project-based rental assistance (_{i.e. Section 8})
  - Other 202

- <u>Grants</u>
  - 202/8
  - Project-based rental assistance (_{i.e. Section 8})
  - Other 202
  - Section 221 (d)(3) below-market interest

*These sources cover the cost of approximately 4,500 service coordinators in multifamily developments.