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MEMORANDUM FOR: Office of Migrant Services (OMS) Contractors and

Migrant Center Personnel

FROM: Lindy Suggs, Branch Chief

Asset Management and Compliance Branch

SUBJECT: Guidance on Cleaning and Disinfecting Procedures

for COVID-19

The Office of Migrant Services (OMS) would like to share additional information regarding the cleaning and disinfecting of facilities, items, and outdoor areas at centers. This information has been gathered from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). It is important that OMS centers follow CDC protocol as well as manufacturer and label instructions for cleaning procedures, the frequency of cleaning, use of disinfectant solutions, and adhering to recommended precautions.

Please review the following CDC links for further information:

- Household Recommendations for Suspected or Confirmed COVID-19 Cases
- Disinfecting Your Home if Someone is Sick
- What to do if You are Sick

Below are the same resources, translated into Spanish:

- Recomendaciones para El Hogar con Casos Presuntos o Confirmados de COVID-19
- <u>Desinfectar Su Hogar si Alguien está Enfermo</u>
- Qué Hacer si Está Enfermo

The CDC has also provided a link to List N, which is a list of products that are EPA-approved for use against the virus that causes COVID-19.

List N: Disinfectants for use Against SARS-CoV-2

In addition to these resources, the CDC hosted a webinar in partnership with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on May 4, 2020. The webinar focused on guidance for cleaning facilities when a person with coronavirus infection is present or is suspected.

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The webinar was recorded and has been posted, in both English and Spanish, to HUD's website and can be accessed using the following links:

- COVID-19 and Public Housing
- COVID-19 y Vivienda Pública

The OMS team recommends contractors and center personnel access these resources, including viewing the webinar, in order to gather additional information for procedures or measures that can supplement some of the efforts already in place at your respective centers.

It is important that OMS centers continue to take steps to educate their staff, develop worker protection policies, implement training, and methods for coping with stress during COVID-19. CDC best practices and recommendations should be reviewed frequently, as well as protocols for social distancing, wearing face coverings, and washing hands.

If your center has incurred additional unanticipated costs as the result of COVID-19, please be in contact with your OMS representative. This is especially important if you believe you may exceed your allocated budget amount for any line item as a result of these unanticipated costs. Also, if you are having difficulties procuring PPEs or other supplies, please reach out to your assigned OMS representative.