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IWAP Path:

<https://ihcdaonline.com/wap/>

As we close out 2013, IH-CDA would like to thank everyone for their hard work and dedication to Indiana's Weatherization Assistance Program. 2014 is sure to be a busy and exciting year as Indiana's WAP continues to push toward a higher mark of quality performance! Thank you for all you do each and every day!

P&P Manual

Weatherization Policy and Procedures Manual has been updated. The manual and all updated forms can be found online at <http://www.in.gov/myihcda/>

IHCDA Website

The Public side is client-oriented focusing on qualifications for weatherization services, allowable services, service providers and utilities. Public/Consumer site:
www.ihcda.in.gov.

The Partner side is your site to find policy and forms. Partner site: <http://www.in.gov/myihcda/>

Weatherization Day Activities

Partners Come Together to Celebrate Energy Efforts



On November 13th, Lt. Governor Ellspermann was joined by energy partners and IN-CAA and IHCDA staff to visit a home on Indianapolis' near Eastside to both highlight the energy efficiency upgrades the homeowner and her family have received, but also to celebrate the community collaborations that takes place daily through both the Weatherization and Energy Assistance Programs.



People Working Cooperatively held a weatherization open house at the home of a Richmond Indiana client Oct. 29. The crew demonstrated numerous weatherization techniques including blowing insulation, furnace clean and tune, blower door test and more. The crew walked the media representatives through the house and demonstrated ideas and techniques to save the homeowner energy usage. The client and the reporter were very pleased. As a result of the Open House, The Richmond Palladium ran a full page story in their Sunday edition about People Working Cooperatively's weatherization program.

WPN 14-4

When IHCD and INCAA personnel attended the DOE Planning Meeting in Denver, CO in July 2013, DOE unveiled numerous changes for the future of Weatherization. One of those changes is outlined in the recently published WPN 14-4. The alignment of the SWS and field guide and the implementation of DOE's Quality Control Inspector (QCI) certification are covered in this document.

To help Indiana's WAP prepare for the new QCI regulation, INCAA has prepared a one day event geared toward the differences between Indiana's Final Inspector Competency and DOE's QCI. Dates for this training event are currently listed on INCAA's website.

This one day event should be viewed as the beginning. Those individuals intending to test for DOE's QCI should plan to spend some time studying and practicing for this test procedure. Word at this time is that the written test is difficult and the skills testing contains gated items—meaning those items are pass-fail. The feedback that IHCD has at this point is that the failure rate for this process has been high.

IHCD has included in INCAA's contract funds to test 23 DOE QCI applicants. This is limited to one attempt per sub-grantee. IHCD continues to encourage Wx Program Managers to make the best selection possible for those who will attempt this test.

It is IHCD's goal to have one DOE QCI at each sub-grantee by April 1, 2014.

IHCD encourages each Wx Program Manager to make their choice soon and visit INCAA's website to begin the process.



CLAIMS SUBMISSION POLICY

IHCD Claim Submission Manual:

Effective January 1, 2014, "In order to ensure timely submission of expenses and timely disbursement of funds, Grantees that submit expenses more than three months old will not be reimbursed without additional review and approval by the individual at IHCD overseeing the claims review process."

WL & WX Grant Agreements: Administration of Funds
"Grantee shall submit to IHCD, ***at least monthly***, properly completed claims for reimbursement of allowable costs incurred by Grantee under this Agreement during the prior month."

PROGRAM DEADLINES

WX-013 CARRYOVER: The DOE Carryover program will end on **DEC 31, 2013**. Signed closeout forms are due to IHCD by **FEB 15, 2014** (45 days). Along with the closeout form, please provide page one (1) of the quarterly report to support your completion data.

WX 2013-14 Funds: The regular DOE Weatherization program will end on **MARCH 31, 2014**. Signed closeout forms are due to IHCD by **MAY 15, 2014** (45 days). Along with the closeout form, please provide page one (1) of the quarterly report to support your completion data.

The number of completions on the closeout form must match the total number closed on the quarterly report.

Claims submitted after the 45 day closeout period will be subject to denial.

HOOSIER ENERGY WOODSTOVE PROGRAM

Beginning January 1, 2014, the Hoosier Energy Wood Appliance Replacement Program will enter Phase III. This phase opens the program up to the replacement of electric resistant heat systems such as baseboard or cable heat as well as the replacement of inefficient heat pumps. To date, participating agencies have replaced 63 wood burning appliances with more efficient EPA certified appliances, resulting in cleaner air to breathe and warmer homes for the winter season.

Conference Call scheduled for Jan 8, 9:00 am est.
1-800-992-0185 / Code 6598172#

ARRA Last Call—By Ray Judy

Depending upon your involvement with the Weatherization Assistance Program, the words Stimulus, ARRA or SERC could conjure up a multitude of reactions or responses. For some, it was their first introduction to the real world of energy efficiency and a time of lessons learned. For others, you may be excited to have it over and done with! Whether you see it as a good experience or bad (or a little bit of both), as part of the "Last Call", I offer the following numbers for your review and consideration:

- ARRA: 22,557 completions with an average cost of \$4,386.89
- SERC: 178 completions with an average cost of \$7,307.14

Whatever your view of the time of stimulus, we did complete a lot of homes. You may remember that my motto during that time was that we were going to survive the stimulus and then repair or rebuild what was left. I feel that we, as a network, are accomplishing that goal and should be proud of the number of homes we weatherized for thousands of Indiana households.

Training: Continuing Education Units

- **Section 600, Sub-section 604 of the Indiana Weatherization Policy and Procedures Manual states the following: “All Indiana Weatherization Competent individuals must acquire 24 hours of continuing education per year (April 1 – March 31).”**
- As we prepare to wrap up 2013 and move into 2014, time to accrue these hours is growing short. Each sub-grantee is reminded that it is their responsibility to track and ensure that all Weatherization staff and contractors who are Indiana Competent obtain the required CEUs.
- Please reference INCAA’s website and training schedule for applicable classes for those needing the training.
- If there are training needs specific to your agency or surrounding agencies, please contact INCAA to see if training to meet that need can be provided.
- Please choose training that is applicable to the duties performed by the individual. For example, there is no need for a HVAC contractor to attend a class on High Performance Insulation.
- Please remember that most INCAA classes count for six [6] hours of CEUs.
- Please contact Ray Judy at rjudy@ihcda.in.gov with any questions regarding CEUs.

Training Opportunities:

Additional Training for NEAT/MHEA

- For those needing to start at the beginning, an Introduction to NEAT/MHEA class is currently listed on INCAA’s website.
- For those having the introductory training and are currently using the software, a Field Day Training is listed on INCAA’s website. The purpose of this training is to ensure that libraries are properly established and that individuals can properly gather and record pertinent data.
- For those who have completed both of the above, there is a NEAT Test Out that INCAA is using to confirm that individuals can indeed perform NEAT/MHEA runs correctly.

IHCDA has taken the steps outlined above to ensure that all those who use NEAT/MHEA are doing so properly. Please register for the classes you need on INCAA’s website through ABC signup. Should you have any questions about the process please contact Steve Nall at INCAA or Ray Judy at IHCDA.

Gas Furnace Test Procedures

- INCAA has included a training event entitled Gas Furnace Test Procedures. This training is targeted at Retrofit Installers Mechanical, Energy Auditors and Final Inspectors. This event is scheduled to be held at north, central and south locations yet to be determined. This one day training will be class structured followed by a field day. This class will help accrue the required 24 hours of Continuing Education Units [CEUs] outlined in Section 600 of Indiana’s Weatherization Policy and Procedures Manual. Please see INCAA’s website or contact INCAA for more information about this training opportunity.

Weatherization Measures that Last

10 CFR 440.21.2(d): Each individual Wx material and package of Wx materials installed in an eligible dwelling unit must be cost effective. These materials must result in energy cost savings over the lifetime of the measure(s)

Translation: For measures to last, they must be durably secure and all patches mechanically fastened.

Mobile Home under belly

