Q and A for the 2005 NOFA for Housing for People who are Homeless and Addicted to Alcohol

(1) Question: Is the program open to people who have been in jails, prisons, hospitals and other institutions for the past five years?

Answer: To be eligible for participation in programs funded under this NOFA, program participants must be chronically homeless and meet the definition for serial inebriate. Having lived in the referenced institutions within the past 5 years does not make them ineligible. However, they cannot have a history of having lived in either transitional or permanent housing over the last 5 years. And significantly, in order for program participants to be eligible to participate, grantees must be able to document that its initial contact with participants occurred while they were living on the streets.

(2) Question: Does HUD require that matching funds be finalized at the time of application deadline, May 19,2005, or will HUD consider applications that are still in the process of obtaining their match requirement?

Answer: No. Documentation of match is not required at the time of application deadline. Conditionally awarded grantees will be required to submit firm written documentation of the service cash match as part of the final Technical Submission document, shortly after the announcements are made.

(3) Question: The Housing for People who are Homeless and Addicted to Alcohol NOFA specified that applicants must submit a copy of the Continuum of Care Planning Process Organization chart submitted in the most recent Continuum of Care competition. Can you explain further what this means?

Answer: In order to be eligible to apply for funding under this NOFA, organizations must be a part of, and the project must be located in, a Continuum of Care that has at least 100 persons who are chronically homeless and unsheltered. As documentation of its participation, applicants have been requested to provide a copy of the Continuum of Care Planning Process Organization chart from the most recent CoC Exhibit 1 submitted by their CoC, that identifies their organization as a participant in the COC process.

(4) Question: How will the Continuum of Care incorporate a project of this type on its priority list? Will it be prioritized along with everything else?

Answer: **The Housing for People who are Homeless and Addicted to Alcohol** competition is completely separate from The 2005 Continuum of Care competition. Therefore, projects submitted under the former, should not be included on any 2005 CoC

competitive priority lists. These projects have no relationship to CoC pro rata need and therefore do not increase or decrease a CoC's available PRN.

(5) Question: How are projects funded under **The Housing for People who are Homeless and Addicted to Alcohol** competition renewed?

Answer: At the end of the two-year demonstration period, these projects will be eligible to apply as an SHP permanent housing renewal, on a competitive basis under the rules governing the Continuum of Care process and at that time should be placed on the CoC priority list along with other projects. In addition, match requirements at the time of renewal will be the same as for other SHP-PH renewals, and not dollar for dollar as required during the two-year demonstration period.
