

MANAGEMENT BULLETIN #529

DATE: 8/4/2021

TO: Owners and Agents of IHDA Assisted Properties

CC: IHDA Asset Management Staff

FROM: IHDA Asset Management Department

RE: New CDC Order on Evictions

SUMMARY:

The US Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has <u>ordered a temporary halt</u> on evictions in counties experiencing substantial or high levels of transmission of COVID-19 that will be in effect until October 3, 2021.

The <u>CDC COVID Data Tracker</u> shows that most counties in Illinois are currently experiencing substantial or high levels of transmission.

The CDC order prevents landlords from taking eviction actions against covered persons, except in certain cases where the tenant has engaged in criminal activity or presents a threat to other residents or to the property.

Covered persons are tenants who have provided the landlord with a signed declaration form, certifying that they meet certain qualifying criteria. The CDC has previously provided a model form with the required declarations, though tenants are not required to use this form as long as the declaration is made under penalty of perjury. Tenants who have submitted the required declaration under a previous order are not required to submit a new declaration.

The CDC's order applies in Illinois because it provides greater protection than Governor Pritzker's most recent <u>Executive Order</u>, which currently protects against enforcement of evictions, but not new eviction filings, through August 21, 2021.

The CDC's order will be enforced by federal authorities and violators may be subject to criminal penalties including fines and incarceration.

ATTENTION:

Due to concerns surrounding COVID-19 (i.e. Coronavirus), IHDA will not be accepting visitors at our offices until further notice. Many on-site meetings are being held remotely or have been postponed. With no on-site meetings or visits, IHDA staff will continue to be available via email and telephone. We also urge you to check the IHDA website or call (312) 836-5200. Your patience is appreciated as we all adjust to this new work environment.





