Fair Housing For Single Family Rentals Syllabus

Lesson 1

Introduction

- Overview
- Disclaimer
- What is the Fair Housing Act?
- Why is it important to learn about it?
- Who can be held liable?
- Who is protected by the Fair Housing Act?
- Perception is important
- The seven federally protected categories
- State Laws
- Fair Housing Rental Map

Marketing

- Fair Housing in advertising
- Social medial example
- Websites
- Photos
- Web accessibility
- HUD Poster

Tours

- Steering
- Intent doesn't matter
- Steering examples
- Testers and examples
- Answering questions

Processing an application

- Following established process
- Third party screening companies
- Questions and scenarios
- Document everything
- Occupancy limits

Provision of services

- Contractors
- Maintenance professionals
- Failure to address and issue
- Sexual harassment
- Best practices

Property rules and policies

- Animals example
- Property Rules

Issuing lease violations

- Documenting a lease violation
- Lease violations and disabilities

Renewal

- Nonrenewal
- Punitive Actions
- Retaliation

Lesson 2

Disabilities

- Rights of a person with disabilities
- FHA definition of disability
- Discriminatory terms or rules
- True or false exercises

Reasonable accommodations and modifications

- Handling requests
- Case by case basis
- Making decisions

Housing provider's rights

- Right to clarify
- Considering requests
- Determining whether to grant a request
- Refusing requests
- Documentation and policies

Reasonable Accommodation Request Process

- Scenario
- Process

Additional reasonable accommodation best practices

- Request log
- Hearing requests
- Discouraging requests
- Timely processing
- Forms
- Who can be a verifier?

Reasonable request example

• Reasons to deny a request

- Process example
- Follow up and verification
- Alternative solutions
- Handling a unresolved conflict

Assistance animals

- Service animals vs. emotional support animals
- Process and policies
- Assistance animals questions and examples
- Entitlement requirements
- Verification process
- Getting information
- Conditions and consultation
- Delaying requests

Reasonable Modifications

- Requests
- Approval
- Modification request example
- Following a process

Certification Exam

- 50 multiple choice questions
- Questions are randomized from a question bank
- 80% required to pass