



## RRH Monthly FAQ: December 2018

1. **Does the landlord or a representative for the landlord/property management company need to be present for the Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Inspection?**
  - a. Yes. We require the landlord or landlord's representative to be present for initial inspections. After the initial inspection, only the presence of an adult is required to let the inspector in.
  
2. **For reinspection of required repairs, can photographs be used to verify a repair has been complete to pass the HQS?**
  - a. Pictures and/or video are acceptable means to verify a repair has been made. As long as the picture shows the repair in order for the inspector to verify it was the same window and the repair was adequate to allow the pass. You do not need to retain the video as proof.
  
3. **If case management services for a client can be charged to Medicaid, is that considered an in-kind or cash source of match?**
  - a. **In-kind match:** A recipient/subrecipient has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or contract in place with a partner organization that provides services to program participants, and the partner organization is reimbursed through Medicaid. The recipient/subrecipient can count as match the value of the services provided to the participants, which would be in-kind match. For additional guidance on the circumstances under which Medicaid can be used as in-kind match in CoC Program-funded projects, please review [FAQ 1612](#).
  
  - Cash match:** A recipient or subrecipient employs staff members who provide services to participants. The recipient/subrecipient has a contract with Medicaid and bills and receives reimbursement directly from Medicaid for these services. The Medicaid reimbursement paid directly to the recipient/subrecipient would count as cash match.

**4. For a client living in a mobile/manufactured home, can we pay for rent and the lot fee?**

- a. Yes. Rent for the lot and rent for the mobile home are both allowable rental expenses as long as when the expense are combined, they fall within the FMR.

**5. Can we use grant funds for rental application fees?**

- a. Yes. Supportive Service dollars can be used for application fees. Be sure that your agency current budget can accommodate that expense. Please contact Jessica Altenbernt [AltenberntJ@michigan.gov](mailto:AltenberntJ@michigan.gov) for any necessary budget amendments.