



Session: Specific EOA Issues – Program Flexibility

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Ongoing Operations and EOA Preparation

Current Program Restrictions and Preparing for the End of Operating Agreements

- OAHS sponsored a one-day meeting of Urban Native Housing (UNH) leaders to discuss several key issues facing UNH providers.
- Topics discussed included EOA, capacity, capital reserves, communications/shared information and next steps.
- Major focus was EOA, service level inconsistencies from Service Managers and the issues, challenges and benefits of adopting a Common Services approach to service delivery.



Addressing Issues

Barriers to be Removed or Addressed in the Near Term

1. Establish and operate to minimal acceptable Service Manager service levels and standards
2. Increased flexibility in utilization of housing stock
3. Increased flexibility in operating procedures
4. Property tax forgiveness/Abatements



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Canadian Housing Renewal Association General Sector Discussion

What can CMHC change to improve operating conditions?

1. Reduce reporting burden and/or utilize data
2. Waive mortgage prepayment penalties
3. Allow transferability of mortgages under operating agreements
4. Need greater transparency in Project Development Funding

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CHRA General Sector Discussion Cont'd

5. Need flexibility within operating agreements (before expiry occurs)
6. Reduce interest rates and /or reinvest the profit CMHC is making from these rates
7. Restart a program similar to Affordability and Choice Today (ACT)
8. Support capacity development of Aboriginal housing providers

Thank you!



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