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CERTIFICATION THAT APPLICANT or PARTICIPANT MEETS THE DEFINITION OF DISABILITY REQUIRED TO QUALIFY FOR CONSIDERATION OF A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION

The definition of disability listed below determines whether an applicant or participant is entitled to any of the protections of federal disability civil rights laws. Thus, a person who does not meet this disability definition is not entitled to a reasonable accommodation under federal civil rights and fair housing laws and regulations.

The definition of a person with a disability for purposes of granting a reasonable accommodation request is much broader than the HUD definition of disability. Many people will not qualify as a disabled person under the HCV program, yet an accommodation is needed to provide equal opportunity.

A person with a disability, as defined under federal civil rights laws, is any person who:

- Has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of an individual, or
- Has a record of such impairment, or
- Is regarded as having such impairment.

The phrase "physical or mental impairment" includes:

- Any physiological disorder or condition, cosmetic or disfigurement, or anatomical loss affecting one or more of the following body systems: neurological; musculoskeletal; special sense organs; respiratory, including speech organs; cardiovascular; reproductive; digestive; genito-urinary; hemic and lymphatic; skin; and endocrine; or
- Any mental or psychological disorder, such as mental retardation, organic brain syndrome, emotional or mental illness, and specific learning disabilities. The term "physical or mental impairment" includes, but is not limited to: such diseases and conditions as orthopedic, visual, speech and hearing impairments, cerebral palsy, autism, epilepsy, muscular dystrophy, multiple sclerosis, cancer, heart disease, diabetes, mental retardation, emotional illness, drug addiction and alcoholism.

"Major life activities" includes, but is not limited to, caring for oneself, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, breathing, learning, and/or working.

"Has a record of such impairment" means has a history of, or has been misclassified as having, a mental or physical impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.

"Is regarded as having an impairment" is defined as having a physical or mental impairment that does not substantially limit one or more major life activities but is treated by a public entity (such as the PHA) as constituting such a limitation; has none of the impairments defined in this section but is treated by a public entity as having such an impairment; or has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities, only as a result of the attitudes of others toward that impairment.

The definition of a person with disabilities does not include:

- Current illegal drug users
- People whose alcohol use interferes with the rights of others
- Persons who objectively pose a direct threat or substantial risk of harm to others

Name of person requesting disabled status: _____

Name and Signature of Medical/Professional completing form: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

After reviewing this person's medical history, please indicate whether you believe they meet any of the definitions of disability as stated above:

YES NO Date Applicant or Participant Became Disabled: _____

I, _____, by signing this form do hereby authorize the release of the required information to the Campbell County Department of Housing in order to determine my family's eligibility to request a Reasonable Accommodation.

Signature: _____

Date: _____



If you have questions regarding the policies, procedures, and regulations of the Campbell County Department of Housing please reference the agency's Administrative Plan at www.campbellcountyky.gov. If you are disabled and as a result of your disability you require a change in how CCDH communicates, presents information, or a change in venue for appointments, you may submit a request for a reasonable accommodation. We will review your request and respond within 10 business days. You have the right to request an interpreter. If negative action has been taken against an applicant or participant by the PHA in a circumstance where the Violence Against Women's Act (VAWA) should be considered please notify the PHA of your concerns to determine whether a review is in order.