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EXPLANATION OF PORTABILITY

The term “portability” refers to the process of leasing a dwelling unit with your Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) assistance outside of the jurisdiction of Warren County Housing Authority (WCHA).

Portability allows the family to move anywhere in the United States, provided that a Public Housing Agency (PHA) administering the tenant-based HCV Program has jurisdiction of the area in which the unit is located.

The family may request portability if:

1. The family lived within WCHA’s jurisdiction (Warren County) when their application for HCV assistance was submitted; or
2. The family lives within WCHA’s jurisdiction at the time a voucher is issued; or
3. The family completes a full 12 months residency as a participant of WCHA’s HCV Program

The family should consider the following prior to their request.

1. The receiving PHA (PHA where the dwelling unit is located) has the right to replace WCHA’s voucher with one of their vouchers or they may choose to administer WCHA’s voucher.
2. The family’s assistance will be governed by the receiving PHA’s Fair Market Rent, Occupancy Standards and policies.
3. All dwelling unit inspections must meet the receiving PHA’s Housing Quality Standards.

**IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU READ AND UNDERSTAND EXPLANATION OF PORTABILITY.
FAILURE TO ASK QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS DOCUMENT INDICATES YOU UNDERSTAND.**