

Piloting IPM at Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) Nationwide

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Outline

- Project description and context
- Working with PHAs
- IPM implementation case studies
- Progress to date
- How you can get involved



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Project Funding

4 Year Interagency Agreement between:

- U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Institute of Food and Agriculture (USDA-NIFA)
 - through the Northeastern IPM Center
- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control Healthy Homes Initiative (HUD-OHHLHC)



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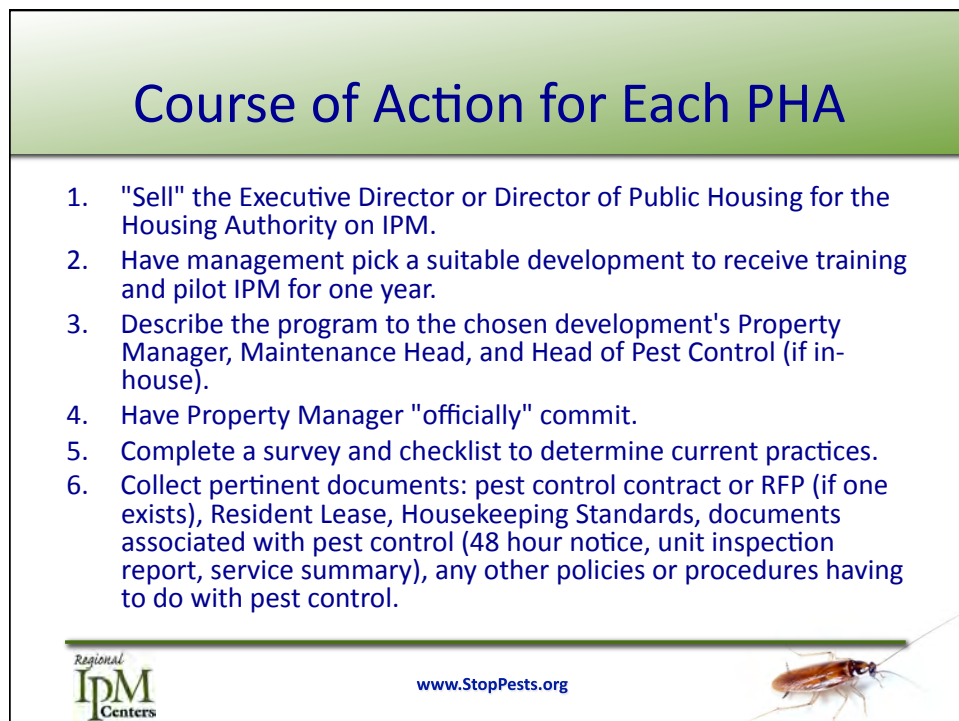
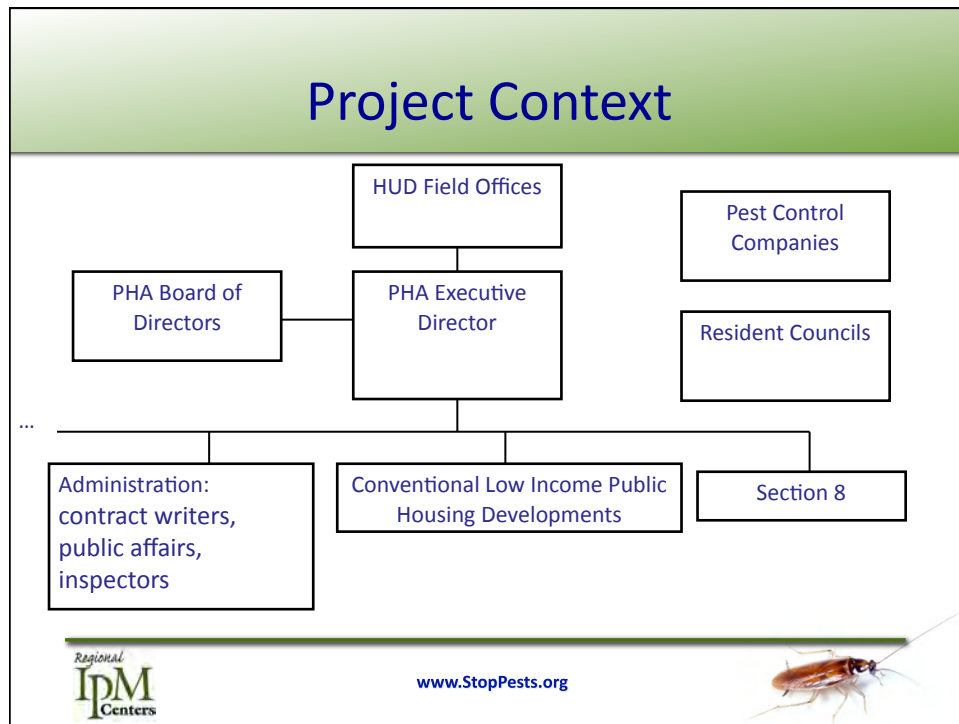
Project Objectives

- Review and refine IPM training materials
- Develop, pilot, and deliver Train-the-Trainer Trainings (T4s)
- Develop, pilot, and deliver the IPM in Multifamily Housing Training for housing staff, contractors, and residents
- Develop a Resident's Briefing
- Build the capacity of the Regional IPM Centers to support IPM training in housing



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Course of Action Continued

7. Bring outside support groups up to speed and set a training date.
8. Hold an IPM in Multifamily Housing Training.
9. Write a "Suggestions for IPM Implementation" report for the Property Manager.
10. Schedule monthly calls to check in on and support the IPM effort as-needed.
11. Collect data as funding and time allows.



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Implementation Case Studies

The following are part of the implementation efforts of committed PHAs:

- Constructing an RFP for pest control service
- Developing procedures for a renovation that involved relocating residents
- Developing procedures (including work order codes) for unit turnovers
- Furthering IPM education in the community
- Failed housekeeping interventions
- Partnering with outside agencies to leverage funding



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Balancing Efficacy and Efficiency

- Door sweeps
- Trash management
- Encasements
- Monitoring
- Screens
- Getting the service from contractors



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Deliverables Met

- Launched www.stoppests.org where training materials and supporting documents are available
- Developed the IPM in Multifamily Housing Training which is officially supported by HUD, USDA, EPA, CDC, NPMA, NCHH, NCEHS, the Regional IPM Centers, and the PA IPM Program
- Trained 12 IPM Experts to deliver trainings at PHAs
- Completed the Resident's Briefing, including the DVD "The Tenant's Role in IPM"
- 12 PHAs committed to receiving training and piloting IPM
- Ran the training at 9 PHAs which are now implementing IPM



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Some Impacts to Date

- Reached 231 people by delivering the IPM in Multifamily Housing Training
- Reached an additional 11,708 people by supporting other programs' use of the materials
- Reached 940 unique visitors through www.stoppests.org
- Baseline data collected for cockroach counts



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How to Get Involved

- Use the model developed for this project to start IPM pilots in your area
- Support IPM implementation efforts in affordable housing through funding
- Network programs that have the ability to help PHAs implement IPM
- Send concrete implementation recommendations to: aat25@cornell.edu



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Funding Opportunities

Foundations

- Pest Management Foundation (NPMA)
- The Kellogg Foundation

HUD-OHHLHC

- Healthy Homes Technical Studies Program
- HUD Healthy Homes Demonstration Grant Program
- Healthy Homes Implementation Program

EPA

- Environmental Education Grants
- Environmental Justice Small Grants Program

USDA-NIFA

- Regional IPM Centers' Partnerships Grants
- Regional IPM Centers' Competitive Grant Programs



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