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Foreword

This Handbook establishes policy and provides standards and procedures relating to the organization of the Department. In addition, it describes the functions of the organizational levels and organizational relationships; provides guidance on delegations of authority, requests for reconsideration of HUD program decisions and exceptions to Departmental policies, standards and regulations; establishes policy for communication between Headquarters and the Field; describes the method by which approval is obtained and documented for the official establishment or revision of the various organizational elements within the Department; provides guidance for organizational development or change; and establishes official organizational nomenclature for the Department.