



## Upcoming Inspection Changes Due to HUD's Nspire Implementation

According to recent HUD updates, NSPIRE inspections, are currently set to be fully implemented by October 1, 2025 for all Housing Choice Voucher Programs.

### Some significant changes include:

- Smoke detectors will be required to be hardwired or equipped with a sealed 10-year battery. They need to be on every level and one installed in every sleeping room and one outside of the sleeping area. Not within 3 feet of Windows ,doors, vents, ceiling fans or bathrooms. Not within 15 feet of cooking appliances. If its on the ceiling 4 inches away from the wall. If mounted on wall 4 inches below the ceiling and not more than 12 inches from the ceiling.
- Water heater TPR discharge pipes must be no further than 6 inches from floor/pan but no closer than 2 inches. They also need to be constructed of an “approved” material such as copper pipe, CPVC, stainless steel, or galvanized steel pipe.
- Carbon Monoxide Detectors will be required for units serviced by any fuel-fired appliance. They must be installed within the immediate area of sleeping areas. They will also be required inside any sleeping room if a fuel-fired appliance is installed directly in a bedroom/attached bathroom.
- GFCI protection will be required at outlets within 6 feet of water sources, this will also include outside outlets.

More details will be forthcoming as October approaches. If you have any questions about this notice please contact Erin Quick at 618-532-1894 x304 or [equick@mchahomes.org](mailto:equick@mchahomes.org).

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