## **Incident/Claims Reporting Procedure**

Please use the following procedure to properly process occurrences<sup>1</sup> involving bodily injury,<sup>2</sup> personal injury<sup>3</sup> or property damage<sup>4</sup>.

## Procedure:

- I. Employees Upon notification of an event, employees are to:
  - A. Remain objective
  - B. Make no:
    - 1. Judgment calls
    - 2. Promises of resolution
    - 3. Acceptance of liability
    - 4. Promise of payment or reimbursement.
    - 5. Only record direct quotations from injured or witnesses.
    - 6. Include all names, addresses, and phone numbers.
- 1. Complete LMHA Incident Report form via Outlook to distribution list entitled "Incident Report" and notify Immediate Supervisor.
  - A. Thoroughly complete report including: who, what, where, when, how.
  - B. Complete within 24 hours of incident.
  - C. Department Heads will report significant events to Executive Director's office by phone.
- 2. Obtain pertinent information immediately by:
  - A. Photographs
    - -Attach photographs to incident report.
- -Forward all photographs to the Risk Manager who will work with the Legal department, Modernization department, and or equipment repair for follow up.
  - -If personal injury is involved, please preserve or keep the item that caused the injury.
- -If necessary, please either abate the item in question, or barricade the area of incident until it can be investigated by appropriate personnel.
  - B. Measurements
  - C. Work Orders
  - D. Police/Fire report
  - E. Follow up interview reports
  - F. Additional photographs, ect.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Occurrence' means; 1. an accident, including continuous or repeated exposure to substantially the same harmful conditions, which causes 'bodily injury' or 'property damage'..."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Bodily injury' means bodily injury, sickness or disease, mental anguish or mental injury, sustained by a person, including death..."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> "Personal injury'... means injury other than 'bodily injury,' arising out of ...1. False arrest...3. Wrongful entry into, or eviction of a person from..." See LMHA's Commercial Liability Policy for complete listing. The Director of Finance keeps a copy.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> "Property damage' means: 1. Physical injury to tangible property, including all resulting loss of use of that property...or 2. Loss of use of tangible property that is not physically injured..."

- 3. Send all related information to the Risk Manager via the Incident report who will work with the Legal department, Modernization department, or Equipment Repair department for follow up.
- 4. The Risk Manager, with the Legal department and Modernization department will determine if additional fact gathering is necessary depending on the incident and assign information gathering duties to: the Site Manager, Department Head, and/or the Risk Management Committee.
- 5. The Risk Manager will determine the need to notify insurance carriers.
  - A.If insurance carrier must be notified, the Risk Manager will provide copies of the following to HAIG:
    - -Completed HAIG's "Report of Claim/Incident"
    - -LMHA's "Incident Report Form"
    - -Support information in #2. above
  - B. Request HAIG record the occurrence as:
    - -an incident only, or
    - -a claim and defend LMHA
  - C. Assist HAIG's investigation/legal team when necessary.