

**Grant/Per Diem Provider Call Highlights  
January 25, 2016; 3:00 pm EST**

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- 1) Lisa Pape, Executive Director, VA Homeless Program Office provided opening remarks.
- 2) Ann Dunne, Deputy Director, VA Homeless Program Office discussed the collaboration and coordination of GPD projects with other homeless programs.
- 3) Jeffery Quarles, Director, Grant and Per Diem Program led the Call regarding Bridge Housing.
  - a. Bridge housing is not a new program but, rather a housing model whereby grantees provide shorter-term housing to Veterans who have been offered and accepted permanent housing but, cannot yet access the housing.
  - b. Providers cannot increase the number of authorized GPD beds.
  - c. A new grant application is not required as grantees may offer bridge housing thorough the submission of a change of scope request.
  - d. Agencies need to review their current program and decide whether it is possible to use a portion for Bridge Housing. If agencies want to participate, they must submit a Change of Scope. Agencies may only utilize up to 50% of their current authorized beds for Bridge Housing.
  - e. Exit into permanent housing annotated in performance matrix. Admissions must be clinically appropriate.

**Here is a list of web pages that you may find helpful:**

Main GPD Website: <http://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/GPD.asp>  
GPD Regulations: [http://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/docs/GPD/GPD\\_Final\\_Rule\\_38CFR61\\_02-25-2013.pdf](http://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/docs/GPD/GPD_Final_Rule_38CFR61_02-25-2013.pdf)  
GPD Provider Site: [http://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/GPD\\_ProviderWebsite.asp](http://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/GPD_ProviderWebsite.asp)  
CHALENG Site: <http://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/chaleng.asp>  
Federal Register Site: <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/fr/browse.html>

**Next Operations Call is scheduled for February 8, 2016 @ 3:00 pm EST**