HUD’s Office of Policy Development and Research invites submissions for a symposium in the November 2019 issue of Cityscape on topics that relate to the use of Small Area Fair Market Rents (SAFMRs) as an alternative to metro-wide Fair Market Rents. SAFMRs are currently in use in the Housing Choice Voucher Program in a minority of US metropolitan areas as a result of litigation, a demonstration, and, in selected areas, regulation. Topics might include (but are not limited to)—

- Concerns related to switching from metropolitan area-wide FMRs to SAFMRs
- The impact of SAFMRs on tenant, owner, and PHA behavior
- Other uses for SAFMRs

We encourage the authors to submit articles within classical economic, geographic, and urban planning frameworks or within interdisciplinary frameworks. Submission proposals may be theoretical or empirical but must be original work. We strongly encourage articles that address policy implications.

Submit abstracts by November 15, 2018, for review by the guest editors. If the editors accept the abstracts, authors would need to submit full manuscripts by May 1, 2019. Submissions may be peer reviewed, and authors will be responsible for addressing issues raised by the editors and/or reviewers by July 15, 2019. Submit abstracts and direct questions or requests for additional information to Peter Kahn at Peter.B.Kahn@hud.gov.

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