



April is Fair Housing Month

April 2017 marks the 49th anniversary of the 1968 landmark Fair Housing Act. Each year the Maine Human Rights Commission (MHRC) participates in activities to educate the public about fair housing law and prevent discrimination in housing. This year we are holding provider workshops in three locations across Maine:

Augusta, Westbrook, and Bangor

When

Tuesday, April 4, 2017 - Augusta

9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Capitol Judicial Center

1 Court Street

Augusta, Maine 04330

Multipurpose Room

- Or -

Thursday, April 6, 2017 - Westbrook

9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Westbrook Housing

30 Liza Harmon Drive

Westbrook, Maine 04092

- Or -

Monday, April 10, 2017 - Bangor

9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Penobscot County Judicial Center

78 Exchange Street

Bangor, Maine 04401

Multipurpose Room

This three hour seminar is designed for Landlords and Property Managers. The course, conducted by the MHRC in conjunction with MaineHousing, Pine Tree Legal Assistance, and Disability Rights Maine, will provide an overview of Fair Housing Law. Housing providers who complete the course will obtain a basic understanding of rights and responsibilities under state and federal law. Who should take the class? Landlords, property managers, leasing consultants, owners of manufactured housing, the general public; anyone who sells, leases, owns, or manages residential property.

Agenda:

- Outline the essential requirements of MHRA housing law
- Change in service animal laws for housing
- Recent cases of interest from the MHRC on housing
- Fair Housing/Substantial Equivalence/Dual filing
- HUD regulations on harassment in housing
- HUD guidance on criminal records, nuisance orders and complaints, and LEP refinement

How to Register:

The MHRC Fair Housing seminar is free but registration is required. Please register directly with the contact person listed. Registration will open on March 15, 2017. Register early. This class, offered just once a year, fills quickly. Please contact us with any specific questions you hope to have addressed at your seminar.

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