

HOW CAN I PREPARE?

Use these checklists to make sure you are ready for important changes.

IN GENERAL

- Read the RAD Handbook
- Organize with your neighbors
- Attend meetings about RAD

LEASE + HOUSE RULES

When your development converts to RAD you will have to sign a new lease and house rules. Before signing...

- Before conversion, contact NYCHA to make sure that everyone in your household is on your public housing lease, and that your pets and appliances are registered.
- Read your new lease. If you need help understanding it you can contact The Legal Aid Society.

RENT

Your rent will not be more than 30% of your household income, but if you are currently paying less it will increase to 30%.

- If someone else pays your rent, make sure they know about all changes.
- Make sure any benefits that go towards your rent are redirected to your new property manager.

After RAD conversion, my rent will be paid to:

NYCHA will still do your income and family size recertification. My next recertification will be:

See page 23 of the RAD Handbook for more information on how to prepare.

WHAT IS RAD?

Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) is a federal program to improve public housing by converting developments to Section 8. In NYC, RAD is called PACT: Permanent Affordability Commitment Together.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

When a development converts to RAD, NYCHA transfers ownership to a private-public partnership.

This partnership will complete major repairs within 2 years and maintain affordable rents - no more than 30% of household income.

WHY IS RAD HAPPENING?

NYCHA has experienced severe funding cuts, resulting in a serious backlog of repairs. By converting to RAD, developments will get the funding and extensive repairs they need more quickly.

WHAT YOU CAN DO AS A...

RESIDENT



- Organize!
- Attend meetings and ask lots of questions
- Encourage your neighbors to attend meetings and keep each other informed

ADVOCATE



- Set up a RAD information session for your constituents
- Attend meetings and support resident organizing efforts
- Connect tenants with resources

GETTING READY FOR RAD

RENTAL ASSISTANCE DEMONSTRATION

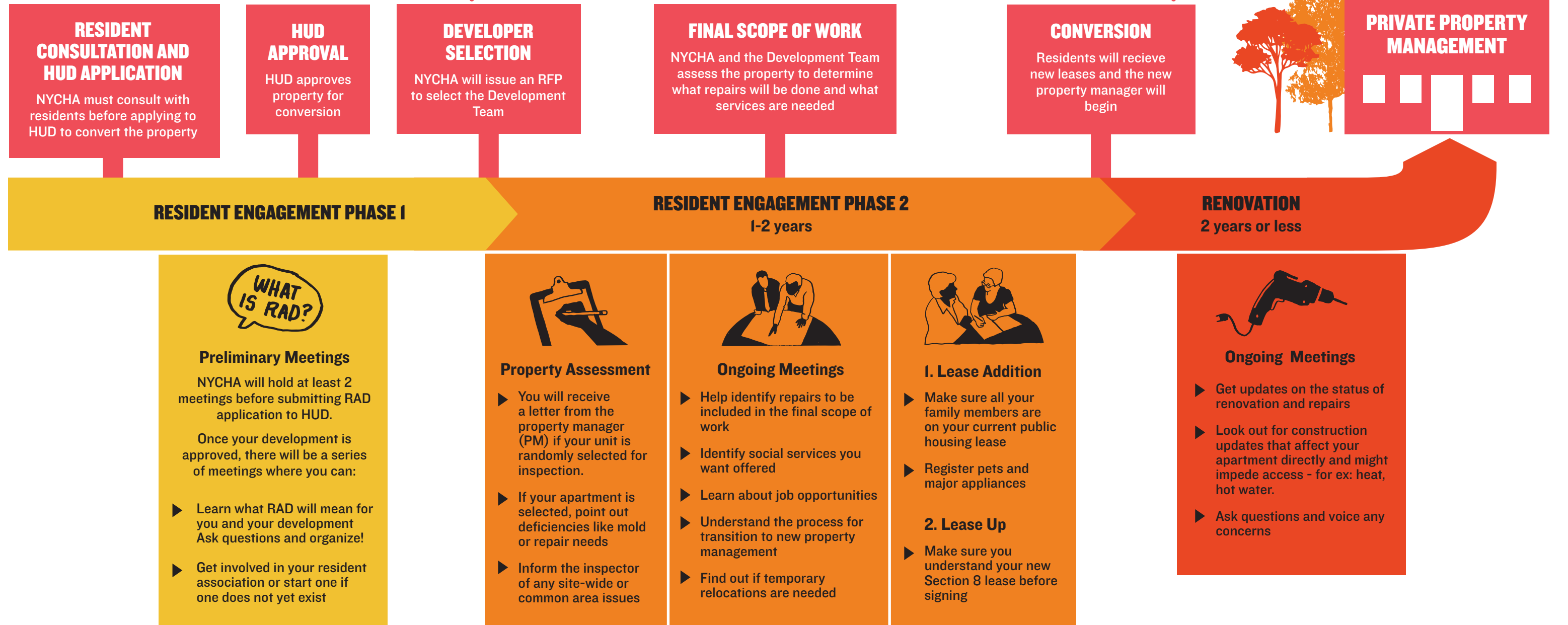
If you anticipate going through a RAD Conversion, you need to be involved in the process.

Make the most of this opportunity to improve your development and maximize the potential benefits of RAD.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Use the timeline below to figure out how to work together with NYCHA and the development team throughout the conversion process.

RAD CONVERSION TIMELINE



TIPS

Form a Resident Organization if you don't have one!

Coming to meetings with your questions and concerns prepared will help you have more productive conversations.

Keep copies of all materials that NYCHA and the new property manager give you and share with neighbors who couldn't attend.

Become familiar with local advocacy groups who can provide additional support and expertise.

Contact your new property manager at anytime in the conversion process if you have questions or concerns.

Stay involved post-conversion. A strong resident organization is key to communicating with your new property manager.