## Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

The following constitutes an agreement between the Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Health Administration (VHA) and the American Federation of Government Employees, AFL-CIO, National Veterans Affairs Council #53 (NVAC) concerning VHA Handbook 1730.1 "Use and Management of the Government Purchase Card Program."

- 1. The parties agree that any changes to the bargaining unit employee performance standards will be in accordance with Article 26, Section three of the Master Agreement.
- 2. The Department will provide bargaining unit employee(s) with the necessary training to perform their required duties in accordance with Article 34, Section 4 of the Master Agreement.
- 3. Bargaining unit employees will not be held responsible for using a vendor on the DHHS Exclusion List prior to that vendor being added to that list.
- 4. Local parties may negotiate further on this subject so long as they do not conflict, interfere with or impair the implementation of the Master Agreement and this MOU.
- 5. Upon receipt of this MOU, the appropriate management official shall provide a copy of this MOU to all local presidents at their facility and/or duty station.

For the Department