## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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 1108.3 Self-Medication Program (SMP) within the Department.

- 1. The Department agrees no practitioner licensure will be at risk because of VHA Handbook 1108.3 Self -Medication Program.
- 2. The national parties agree VHA Handbook 1108.3 Self-Medication Program is more appropriate for local negotiation. Upon request local management officials must meet their bargaining obligation prior to any implementation of this VHA Handbook
- 3. Upon receipt, the appropriate management official shall provide a copy of this MOU to the Local Union President.

12-28-09

For the National VA

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