

Memorandum of Understanding

The following is 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 on VHA Directive 1071, Mandatory Suicide Risk and Intervention Training.

1. The S.A.V.E., MOU dated April 4, 2020 is not affected by VHA Directive 1071.
2. All training for employees will occur during duty time. Refresher training will be completed upon approval by the Department.
3. Management will make every reasonable effort to ensure no employee's previously approved leave is cancelled solely to attend scheduled training.
4. An employee's performance will not be evaluated or impacted due to their attendance at training.
5. Upon their receipt the appropriate management officials shall provide a copy of this MOU to the Local Union President.



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