Memorandum of Understanding

The following constitutes agreement between the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Veterans Health Administration (VHA), and the American Federal of Government Employees AL-CIO, National Veterans Affairs Council #53 (NVAC) concerning VHA Directive 1306, Querying State Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs.

- Affected Bargaining unit employees will receive a copy of VHA Directive 1306 prior to enactment
 of the directive.
- 2 Bargaining unit employees required to comply with VHA Directive 1306 will receive training on duty time and the opportunity to ask questions inorder to understand how to log on and access state prescription monitoring programs.
- 3 The parties agree that VHA Directive 1306 requires accessing the state drug monitoring program in the state their facility is located within when initiating a controlled substance prescription and once yearly thereafter.
- 4 The parties agree that providers may establish delegates for accessing state prescription monitoring programs where states permit the use of delegates.
- 5 The parties agree that facilities that establish requirements in addition to this policy are subject to a local demand to bargain at their facility.
- 6 Upon completion of this MOU each AFGE local President will receive a copy of this MOU.

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