BASIC WORKWEEK FOR FULL-TIME PHYSICIANS AND DENTISTS

1. PURPOSE. This notice revises VA Handbook 5011, Part I, Paragraph 3e(2) and Part II, Chapter 3, Paragraph 2a to allow a full-time physician who has a tour of duty that begins on the last day of one pay period and ends on the first day of the next pay period to be credited for the time actually worked in the new pay period, to the pay period in which the physician’s tour of duty began.

2. POLICY. Effective immediately, the policy in VA Handbook 5011, Part I, Paragraph 3e(2) and Part II, Chapter 3, Paragraph 2a, which states “the basic workweek shall be completed within the 7-day period from Sunday to Saturday and must not cross over into the following administrative workweek of the 80-hour bi-weekly pay period” is revised to state “a full-time physician or dentist that has a scheduled tour of duty that begins in one pay period and ends in a new pay period shall be credited for time worked in the new pay period to the pay period that the full-time physician or dentist’s tour of duty actually began”.

3. RESPONSIBLE OFFICE. Worklife and Benefits Service (058), Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer.

4. RESCISSION. Within one year from the publication date of this notice, this revision will be incorporated into VA Handbook 5011, Part I, Paragraph 3e(2) and Part II, Chapter 3, Paragraph 2a.

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