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 (NVAC) #53 on the revised VHA Directive 2010-021, Utilization Management (UM) Program, Acute Level of Care Review.

- 1. Training will be provided as necessary and/or upon the bargaining unit employee's request.
- 2. All training will be completed during duty time.
- 3. If available, copies of the UM plans at the VISN and Local level will be provided to the NVAC, upon request.
- 4. AFGE Locals may request bargaining on the changes to the UM program prior to implementation.
- 5. AFGE Locals, upon request, will be given the opportunity to be a part of any interdisciplinary group/team reviewing the UM data.
- 6. Any MOUs signed at the local or VISN level must comply with the provisions contained in this MOU.
- 7. Upon their receipt, the appropriate management official shall provide a copy of this MOU to the AFGE Local President.

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