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In order to further improve the lines of communication and to respond to the concerns between the National VA Council and you our members, I have established a National VA Council Briefing. This NVAC Briefing will bring you the latest news and developments within DVA and provide you with the current status of issues this Council is currently addressing. I believe that this NVAC Briefing will greatly enhance the way in which we communicate and the way in which we share new information, keeping you better informed.

Alma L. Lee
National VA Council, President

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**In This Briefing: Status of VA Quality Management employees and HR Assistants**

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AFGE National Office has received inquiries about whether Quality Management and HR Assistants are eligible for inclusion in the bargaining unit.

Most of these employees should have a BUS code of 1272 (nonprofessional) or 1276 (professional).

All non-supervisory Quality Management employees (professional and nonprofessional) should, for the most part, be included in the bargaining unit. This includes RNs performing patient safety and performance improvement roles.

Also, HR Assistants should be included in the bargaining unit.

If you need assistance in reviewing these positions and/or bringing them into your bargaining unit, please email Doug Meyer in the AFGE General Counsel's Office at douglas.meyer@afge.org

