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February 12, 2015

Robin E. Jackson, Director  
Central Alabama Veteran, HCS (CAVHCS)  
2400 Hospital Road  
Tuskegee, AL 36083

Subject: VISN 7 - CAVHCS Realignment of Services under Health Informatics Service  
(AFGE Local 110 and AFGE Local 503)

Dear Dr. Jackson:

In accordance with Article 47, Section 2 C, of the Master Agreement, the National VA Council #53 formally is demanding to bargain on CAVHCS the realignment of Service under Health Informatics Service in VISN 7 within the Department. Ms. Alma L. Lee will be naming the Union's Chief Negotiator and negotiating team members. Please provide the named union negotiating team members with any information and/or data concerning the cited subject. The negotiations of this matter should normally begin no later than twenty (20) workdays after the management chief negotiator in this matter receives our demand to bargain.

Please cease and desist any implementation until the bargaining obligation has been met. The named union negotiating team may request a briefing over the cited subject above, before sending any proposals. If you have any questions please contact me at (217) 554-4866.

Sincerely,

Oscar L. Williams, Jr.  
Chairperson, Mid-Term Bargaining Committee  
2<sup>nd</sup> Executive Vice President  
National VA Council #53

cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53  
Terrence J. Watts, 5<sup>th</sup> District Representative NVAC

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**Department of  
Veterans Affairs**

**Memorandum**

Date: January 23, 2014

From: Acting Chief of Staff, Central Alabama Veterans Health Care System (11/619)

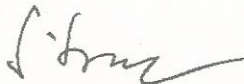
Subj: Notice of Proposed Realignment

To: Mr. Oscar Williams, National VA Council (NVAC)

1. The facility is providing notice in accordance with Article 47, Section 4 of the VVA/AFGE Master Agreement between the Department of Veterans Affairs and the American Federation of Government Employees that management proposes the realignment of My HealtheVet, Home Telehealth, Clinical Video Telehealth, Store-and-Forward Telehealth and Clinical Informatics under the Health Informatics Service. My HealtheVet currently reports to Education Service. Home Telehealth currently reports to the Nurse Executive for Ambulatory Care. Clinical Video Telehealth and Store-and-Forward Telehealth report to the Cardio-Pulmonary Manager. Clinical Informatics is aligned directly under the Chief of Staff. These programs when realigned under the Health Informatics Service will report to the Chief Health Informatics Officer (CHIO). This realignment will affect staff in two distinct union locals, AFGE Local 110 and AFGE Local 503.

2. This decision is due to the establishment of the Informatics Service to bring together similar programs under one umbrella. Management presented this proposed action to both local Presidents in a meeting held on December 4, 2014 and there was no opposition. There is no anticipated change in duty station for the employees, but there will be a change in first and second level supervision.

3. Please contact me if you have any questions concerning this notice. I can be reached by email at [Srinivas.Ginjupalli@va.gov](mailto:Srinivas.Ginjupalli@va.gov) by phone at (334) 272-4670, ext. 4096.



Srinivas Ginjupalli, MD,CMD  
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