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1660 South Columbian Way
Seattle, WA 98108-1597

Subject: VISN 20 – Puget Sound, Evaluating the Standardized Virtual Human Patient to Improve Safety Planning Skills Study (AFGE Local 498 and AFGE Local 3397)

Dear Mr. Tadych:

National VA Council #53 is not approving the Puget Sound Evaluating the Standardized Virtual Human Patient Improve Safety Planning Skills Study for AFGE VHA bargaining unit employees. The Study does not inform bargaining unit employees of Research Study being voluntary, confidential or anonymous.

NVAC does not agree that failure to respond does not automatic waives the exclusive representative's rights on this matter.

If you have any questions, please call me at (217) 554-4979.

Sincerely,

Oscar L. Williams, Jr.
Chairperson, Mid-Term Bargaining Committee
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cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53
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