

## Memorandum of Understanding

The following constitutes an agreement between the Department of Veterans Affairs and the American Federation of Government Employees (AFL-CIO), National Veterans Affairs Council #53 Concerning the Implementation of the Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics (PACT) Act of 2022 Section 603.

1. Section 603 requires that VA incorporate and administer a Toxic Exposure Screening (TES) for all Veterans.
2. Bargaining unit employees will be provided the necessary training to screen Veterans under Section 603 of the PACT Act of 2022. TMS training module will walk through screening templates. All required training will be on duty time.
3. Once training is complete, BUEs will be able to provide Veterans with information concerning types of exposure while in the service.
4. Bargaining unit employees are strongly encouraged to complete the TES Template training prior to asking any questions.
5. Upon their receipt, the appropriate Department official shall provide a copy of this MOU to the AFGE Local Presidents.



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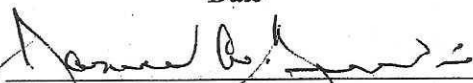
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