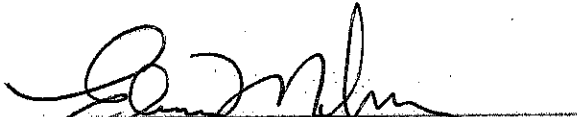



## Memorandum of Understanding

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 #53 concerning VHA Directive 1133 - SIMLEARN Awards.

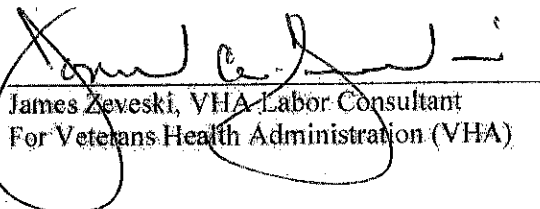
1. The parties agree that the SIMLEARN award program needs to be publicized in order to be inclusive. Therefore, the NVAC will be notified when the nomination period begins.
2. The parties agree that self nomination for SIMLEARN awards will be permitted for bargaining unit employees. The solicitation for awards nomination announcement will indicate that self-nomination is permitted.
3. Upon their receipt the appropriate management officials shall provide a copy of this MOU to the AFGE Local President.

  
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Representative, Title 38 Mid-Term Chair  
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5/18/15  
Date