

## 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 (NVAC) concerning VHA Handbook 1730.1 "Use and Management of the Government Purchase Card Program."

1. The parties agree that any changes to bargaining unit employee performance standards will be in accordance with Article 26, Section 3 of the Master Agreement.
2. The Department will provide bargaining unit employee(s) with the necessary training to perform their required duties in accordance with Article 34, Section 4 of the Master Agreement.
3. Bargaining unit employees will not be held responsible for using a vendor on the DHHS Exclusion List prior to that vendor being added to that list.
4. Local parties may negotiate further on this subject so long as they do not conflict, interfere with or impair the implementation of the Master Agreement and this MOU.
5. Upon receipt of this MOU, the appropriate management official shall provide a copy of this MOU to all local presidents at their facility and/or duty station.

  
For the Department

  
For the National VA Council #53

5/18/00  
Date