

**Department of  
Veterans Affairs**

**Memorandum**

Date: SEP 22 2017

From: Acting Under Secretary for Health (10)

Subj: Realignment of Specific Purpose Fund Allocations to General Purpose

To: Network Directors, Deputy Under Secretaries and Chiefs of Staff


1. The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) recently completed an effort to identify five percent of each VHA Network budget that could be realigned to support VHA's foundational services and the Secretary's five priorities. As a part of that endeavor, VHA Networks identified funds currently allocated as Specific Purpose that should be moved to Veterans Equitable Resource Allocation (VERA) General Purpose in future years.

2. The purpose of this realignment is not to completely eliminate the programs funded by these amounts, but to provide each Network Director the flexibility to determine the appropriate funding level and use all available funds to improve foundational services. One example discussed, was VA Central Office mandates to hire a specific number of FTE per VA medical center, even if the local requirement for such services was less than full-time. This proposal would allow local medical center Directors to assign such duties on a part-time basis, allowing the resulting available time to be devoted to other foundational service programs.

3. Enclosed is a detailed listing of Specific Purpose funding lines that will be realigned to VERA General Purpose and allocated to VHA Networks. This will become effective at the beginning of fiscal year 2018. The Office of Finance will be issuing a revised Preliminary VERA document to reflect this change.

4. Should you have any questions, please contact Mark Yow at (202) 266-4649 or Edward Bernard at (202) 443-5078.

  
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Enclosure

cc: Chief Financial Officer  
Assistant Deputy Under Secretaries  
Network Chief Financial Officers

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE FUNDING FY 2018 REALIGNMENT TO VERA GENERAL PURPOSE (\$THOUSANDS)**

Row	Program Office	Mnemonic	Title	Amount
1	10A1 NURSING	SPCC-CSA	CONTRACTS/SUPPLIES/AWARDS	\$2,395
2	10A2A WORKFORCE MANAGEMENT	SPDC-RNE	REGISTERED NURSE EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE	\$17,049
3	10A2A WORKFORCE MANAGEMENT	SPDC-NUR	VETERANS AFFAIRS (VA) NURSING EDUCATION FOR EMPLOYEES	\$12,287
4	10A2A WORKFORCE MANAGEMENT	SPDC-EIS	EMPLOYEE INCENTIVE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (EISP) - PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS ACT	\$2,000
5	10A2A WORKFORCE MANAGEMENT	SPDC-VAL	VETERANS AFFAIRS LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES RESIDENCY (VALOR)	\$5,119
6	10A2A WORKFORCE MANAGEMENT	SPDC-PCP	EDUCATION DEBT REDUCTION	\$45,000
7	10A2C NAT'L CENTER FOR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT	SPDM-NCO	NATIONAL CENTER FOR ORGANIZATION DEVELOPMENT (NCOD)	\$298
8	10A2D ACADEMIC AFFILIATION SUPPORT OFFICE	SPDP-AAS	ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS SUPPORT	\$5,387
9	10A2D ACADEMIC AFFILIATION SUPPORT OFFICE	SPDS-SCS	SPECIALTY CARE OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFILIATION	\$1,263
10	10A2E HEALTHCARE LEADERSHIP TALENT	SPDV-HLP	HEALTHCARE LEADERSHIP TALENT INSTITUTE (HLTI) NATIONAL PROGRAM	\$220
11	10A2E HEALTHCARE LEADERSHIP TALENT	SPDV-EXD	EXECUTIVE DEVELOPMENT	\$3,259
12	10A2E HEALTHCARE LEADERSHIP TALENT	SPDV-GHA	GRADUATE HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION TRAINEES PROGRAM (GHATP)	\$3,331
13	10A2E HEALTHCARE LEADERSHIP TALENT	SPDV-SEP	PATHWAYS STUDENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM	\$1,234
14	10B VHA CHIEF OF STAFF	SPFC-BIO	UNDER SECRETARY FOR HEALTH FIELD ACCOUNT	\$62
15	10E1A COMPLIANCE & BUS INTEGRITY	SPNF-LSE	10E1A-COMPLIANCE AND BUSINESS INTEGRITY (CBI) OFFICE	\$230
16	10E1E ETHICS IN HEALTHCARE	SPNE-ECTR	10E1E-NATIONAL CENTER FOR ETHICS	\$692
17	10E2 ADUSH FOR QUALITY, SAFETY & VALUE	SPMU-DUSCHA	ADUSH QSV CORE OFFICE (formerly STRATEGIC INTEGRATION DIFFUSION GRANTS)	\$550
18	10E2A ANALYSIS & BUSINESS INTEL	SPMF-ABI	ANALYTICS AND BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE	\$542
19	10E2C3 HIGH RELIABILITY SYSTEMS	SPMC-ISOA	QMS CONSULTATIVE DIVISION NON CORE (formerly ISO 9001 Consultation)	\$53,935
20	10E2C3 HIGH RELIABILITY SYSTEMS	SPMC-LSEA	QMS CONSULTATIVE DIVISION OFFICE LEASES (formerly ISO 9001 CONSULTATION OFFICE LEASES)	\$628
21	10E2E SAFETY & RISK AWARENESS	SPME-3MLA	MEDICAL LEGAL AFFAIRS	\$1,009
22	10EA IMPROVEMENT	SP2B-CIOCA	CHIEF IMPROVEMENT OFFICE	\$256
23	10EB HEALTH EQUITY	SP2A-OHE	OFFICE OF HEALTH EQUITY	\$652
24	10NA1 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	SPPE-EMED	EMERGENCY MEDICAL PREPAREDNESS	\$36,516
25	10NA1 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	SPPE-DEC	DECONTAMINATION	\$980
26	10NA1 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	SPPD-ENE	ENERGY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM	\$15,309

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27	10NA7 ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS	SPPB-EPS	ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM SERVICES (EPS)	\$100
28	10NA8 OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH	SPPC-SAFE	ENVIRONMENT SAFETY	\$22,305
29	10NA8 OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH	SPPC-FIR	FIRE SUPPRESSION VEHICLE UPGRADE	\$650
30	10NA9 HEALTHCARE TECHNOLOGY	SPPQ-RTLS	REAL TIME LOCATION SYSTEM (RTLS)	\$11,997
31	10NA10 BUSINESS OPERATIONS	SPPF-INT	V17 INTREPID CENTER FTEE	\$773
32	10NC1 HOMELESS PROGRAMS	SP3B-SUHA	VA-HUD SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PGM	\$264,167
33	10NC1 HOMELESS PROGRAMS	SP3B-SUHCA	VA-HUD SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PGM	\$941
34	10NC2 SURGICAL SERVICES	SP3C-CORA	MEDICAL SURGICAL SERVICES	\$908
35	10NC2 SURGICAL SERVICES	SP3C-IND	TRANSPLANT PROGRAM - INDIRECT COST	\$90,502
36	10NC3 PRIMARY CARE	SP3D-PAC	PATIENT ALIGNED CARE TEAMS (PACT)	\$5,131
37	10NC4 GERIATRICS & EXTENDED CARE	SP3E-MFH	MEDICAL FOSTER HOME	\$2,527
38	10NC5 MENTAL HEALTH	SP3F-MHI	MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVES	\$277
39	10NC7 DENTAL	SP3H-DDIR	DENTAL PROGRAM DIRECTOR	\$801
40	10NC9 SPINAL CORD INJURY & DISABILITY	SP3K-SCI	SPINAL CORD INJURY	\$3,396
41	10NF PATIENT CENTERED CARE	SPGE-VTP	VETERANS TRANSPORTATION	\$25,785
42	10NF PATIENT CENTERED CARE	SPGA-MSV	MEMBER SERVICES	\$1,478
43	10NF PATIENT CENTERED CARE	SPGG-MCS	MEDICAL CENTER SOLUTIONS	\$500
44	10NG ACCESS	SPLB-ACAP	ACCESS & CLINIC ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM	\$56
45	10P1 POLICY & PLANNING	SPEF-MED	MEDICARE/MEDICAID ANALYSIS	\$1,095
46	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRC-MHI	MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVES	\$26,835
47	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRL-OEF	OPERATIONS ENDURING AND IRAQ FREEDOM (OEF/OIF) TRANSITION AND COORDINATION'S	\$21,089
48	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRD-AMP	AMPUTATION CARE	\$10,484
49	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRR-WVET	WOMEN'S HEALTH	\$4,989
50	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRF-GAE	NON INSTITUTIONAL LONG TERM CARE	\$4,076
51	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRC-IMH	IMPROVE MENTAL HEALTH	\$3,885
52	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRR-WHLT	WOMEN VETERANS HEALTH PROGRAM	\$2,722
53	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRP-HPD	PREVENTION	\$3,827
54	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRD-REH	REHABILITATION PROGRAMS	\$1,592

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55	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRZ-WVPP	WORKPLACE VIOLENCE PREVENTION	\$3,263
56	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRC-PHY	PSYCHOSOCIAL REHABILITATION	\$939
57	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRC-SMO	POLICY & PLANNING - TOBACCO	\$731
58	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRF-GER	GERIATRIC PROGRAMS	\$237
59	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRM-PRI	PRIMARY CARE PROGRAMS	\$274
60	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRM-NTP	NATIONAL TELEHEALTH PRIMARY CARE PROGRAM	\$163
61	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRL-SOC	CARE MANAGEMENT AND SOCIAL WORK	\$73
62	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRA-ADP	ACADEMIC DETAILING PROGRAM	\$30
63	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRC-MHS	MENTAL HEALTH STRATEGIC HEALTHCARE GROUP (SHG) INFORMATICS SECTION	\$824
64	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRC-MPTSD	10P4-MENTAL HEALTH MEDITATION POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER ( PTSD) PROJECTS	\$2,445
65	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRM-PACT	PATIENT ALIGNED CARE TEAMS (PACT)	\$11,484
66	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRZ-OCC	OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH	\$3,183
67	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRC-MIR	MENTAL ILLNESS RESEARCH EDUCATION AND CLINIC CENTERS	\$25,733
68	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRD-PLY	POLYTRAUMA	\$29,035
69	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRL-LIA	VA LIAISONS TO MILITARY TREATMENT FACILITIES	\$3,933
70	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRA-EMR	ASSESS OF EMERGENCY STRATEGIC HEALTHCARE	\$751
71	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRB-VETS	VETERANS SUICIDE STUDY	\$1,026
72	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRC-SMI	SMI SPECIAL COMMITTEES	\$30
73	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRH-REC	MEDICATION RECONCILIATION	\$459
74	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRH-RET	PHARMACY RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OFFICE	\$408
75	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRL-FISH	FISHER HOUSE	\$624
76	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRR-WCC	10P4-WOMENS VETERAN HEALTH (WVH)-CHILD CARE PILOT	\$201
77	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRR-WCCR	10P4-WVH CHILD CARE	\$67
78	10P4 PATIENT CARE SERVICES	SPRV-PHLT	POPULATION HEALTH NON CORE	\$1,218
79	10P9 RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT	SPSC-GEN	GENOMIC MEDICINE	\$1,821
80	10P9 RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT	SPSG-QTRV	QUALITY ENHANCEMENT RESEARCH INITIATIVE (QUERI) TRAVEL	\$500
81	10P9 RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT	SPSB-COO	COOPERATIVE STUDIES PROGRAM	\$13,072
82	10P10 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	SP8A-CCI	CENTER FOR COMPASSIONATE INNOVATION CONTRACT SUPPORT	\$775

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83	10P11 SPECIALTY CARE SERVICES	SP8E-MSS	SPECIALTY CARE SERVICE	\$8,500
84	10P11 SPECIALTY CARE SERVICES	SP8G-PAT	PATHOLOGY AND LABORATORY MEDICINE	\$812
85	10P11 SPECIALTY CARE SERVICES	SP8G-DIA	DIAGNOSTIC ELECTRON MICROSCOPY	\$185
86	10P11 SPECIALTY CARE SERVICES	SP8E-VCOE	VISION CENTER OF EXCELLENCE	\$195
87	10P11 SPECIALTY CARE SERVICES	SP8G-CYT	CYTOPATHOLOGY PROGRAM	\$74
88	10P11 SPECIALTY CARE SERVICES	SP8E-EPL	EPILEPSY CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE	\$6,100
89	10P11 SPECIALTY CARE SERVICES	SP8E-SPE	SPECIALTY CARE SERVICES	\$13,990
90	10P11 SPECIALTY CARE SERVICES	SP8G-CLI	CLINICAL LABORATORY IMPROVEMENT AMENDMENT (CLIA) NATIONAL PROGRAM	\$1,697
91	10P11 SPECIALTY CARE SERVICES	SP8G-MAM	MAMMOGRAPHY QUALITY STANDARDS ACT	\$140
92	10P11 SPECIALTY CARE SERVICES	SP8G-NUCR	NUCLEAR MEDICINE PROGRAM OFFICE	\$730
93	10R RESEARCH OVERSIGHT	SPQC-ORO	OFFICE OF RESEARCH OVERSIGHT (ORO) PROGRAM - 62	\$112
94	17X CENTRALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS	SPYD-LSE21	LARGE LEASE	\$6,845
95	17X CENTRALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS	SPYD-LSE22	LARGE LEASE	\$29,982
96	17X CENTRALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS	SPYD-LSE4	VISN 4 LARGE LEASE	\$1,505
97	17X CENTRALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS	SPYD-LSE6	LARGE LEASE	\$36,021
98	17X CENTRALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS	SPYD-LSE7	LARGE LEASE	\$5,045
99	17X CENTRALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS	SPYF-VAII	VA INNOVATION INITIATIVE	\$5,000
TOTAL				\$943,324