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Re: OSC File No. DI-08-0446 (Chicago Heights Vet Center)

Dear Ms. McMullen:

This is to follow-up on VA's submission of documentation to OSC illustrating the corrective action taken by VA against the employees who engaged in misconduct based on the findings outlined in VA's Investigation Report concerning the Chicago Heights Vet Center.

The following information summarizes the corrective action taken against the individual employees who engaged in misconduct as cited in VA's Report:

- a) Mrs. Connie Vinegar, Program Assistant, Chicago Heights Vet Center received a letter of counseling for her failure to adhere to the established "hours of duty" policy and procedures when she routinely took one-hour lunch breaks.
- b) Mr. Roque Ramos, Counselor, Chicago Heights Vet Center received a letter of counseling for his failure to adhere to the established "hours of duty" policy and procedures when he routinely took one-hour lunch breaks.
- c) Mr. Lemuel Slaughter, Team Leader, Chicago Heights Vet Center received a written reprimand for failing to comply with VA and Readjustment Counseling Service rules requiring that visits and services to clients who visit the Chicago Heights Vet Center be recorded and documented.

I trust that this information is responsive to OSC's request. Please let me know if there is any additional information that you need.

Sincerely yours,

  
Walt A. Hall  
Assistant General Counsel