

Table 18

Comparison of Appeals Information, 1998 to 2002

<u>APPEALS COMMITTEE</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
Appeals Received¹	979	826	873	813	892
Decisions Made:					
Appeal Successful (Accepted)	176	163	169	190	199
Original Decision Upheld (Denied)	414	349	405	392	530
Returned to Original Unit for Further Development	206	243	171	109	117
Total²	796	755	745	691	846
Appeals Withdrawn	35	22	40	27	21
<u>BOARD LEVEL APPEALS</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
Appeals Received	297	246	201	212	252
Decisions Made:					
Appeal Successful	108	85	67	66	51
Previous Decision Upheld	122	151	149	127	190
Total²	230	236	216	193	241
Appeals Withdrawn	11	12	10	16	5
<u>MEDICAL REVIEW PANELS</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
Appeals Received	29	15	6	12	12
Decisions Made:					
Appeal Successful	14	9	5	6	5
Previous Decision Upheld	14	6	1	6	7
Total²	28	15	6	12	12

¹Please note that a claimant may have more than one appeals in regards to one individual claim.

²Decisions made may include appeals received in prior years.

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