



STATE APPEAL BOARD MEETING - MAY 2017

Meeting. The State Appeal Board met on May 1, 2017, in Des Moines. The Board took the following actions:

- Approved approximately \$6,500 in general claims filed under Iowa Code chapter [25](#), and denied two claims totaling approximately \$4,900.
- Approved two tort claims filed under Iowa Code chapter [669](#) for approximately \$298,000. The Board denied tort claims totaling approximately \$697,000.

Settlements. The State Appeal Board approved two settlements:

- A payment of \$616 to pay court costs related to an alleged violation of constitutional rights at the Iowa State Penitentiary in Fort Madison. Two inmates claimed that unconstitutional restrictions were placed on their ability to practice their faith while in prison.
- A payment of \$350,000 to settle a lawsuit that alleged negligence at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics (UIHC) for failing to make a timely diagnosis of a foreign object in a patient's eye. The patient alleged that the UIHC did not follow standard protocol, resulting in the complete loss of his eye due to an infection.

Next Meeting. The next regular meeting of the State Appeal Board is scheduled for June 5, 2017, in Des Moines.

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