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VA makes progress on resolution of legacy appeals

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) Appeals Management Office (AMO) significantly reduced disability compensation legacy appeals inventory during the last nine months as part of the department's long-term legacy resolution plan.

This inventory includes Notices of Disagreement (NOD) and substantive appeals filed in the "legacy" system – the appeals process in place prior to implementation of the [Veterans Appeals Improvement and Modernization Act of 2017 \(AMA\)](#). VBA lowered this inventory from a high of 292,452 in March 2016, to 96,350 on Dec. 31, 2019, despite receiving 770,571 new NOD and substantive appeals during that period.

"Veterans who have been waiting for their decisions can trust that VA is working towards getting them the benefits and services they deserve," said VA Secretary Robert Wilkie. "Completing legacy Notices of Disagreement and substantive appeals will be an important step in meeting this obligation."

VBA is on track to eliminate its NOD and substantive appeals inventory by July 4.

Information on the VA appeals process can be found at <https://benefits.va.gov/benefits/appeals.asp>.



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February

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 VFW Meeting	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 President's Day	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

Phases of the Moon: 1: 9: 15: 23:

Holidays and Observances: 14: Valentine's Day, 17: Presidents' Day (Most regions)

March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Daylight Savings	9 VFW Meeting	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 District Picnic
29 Fried Chicken	30	31				

Dinner Phases of the Moon: 2:☉ 9:☽ 16:☉ 24:☿

Holidays and Observances: 3: Super Tuesday (Many regions), 17: St. Patrick's Day