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### **Occupational Therapy Practice, Board of**

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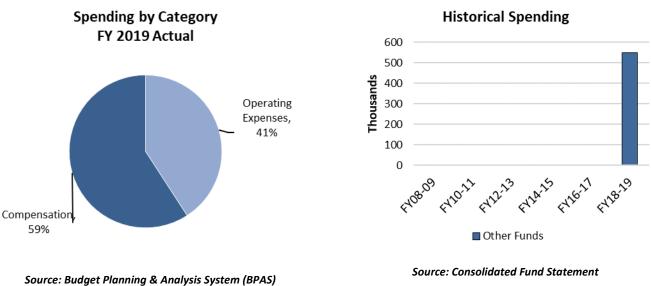
#### AT A GLANCE

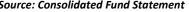
- Licensing services through August 20, 2020
  - 4226 active occupational therapist licensees
  - 1277 active occupational therapy assistant licensees 0
  - 14 current, active temporary occupational therapist licensees
  - 3 current, active temporary occupational therapy assistant licensees
- Complaint Services- Fiscal year ending 6/30/2020 July 1, 2018- June 30, 2020
  - 0 16 complaints open/received
  - 16 complaints closed 0
- Staff
  - 3.0 full time equivalent employees
  - 0.5 Student worker position 0

#### PURPOSE

The Minnesota Board of Occupational Therapy Practice exists to protect the public through effective licensure and enforcement of the statutes and rules governing the practice of occupational therapy to ensure a reasonable standard of competent and ethical practice. Regulation of occupational therapy practitioners began in 1996 under the umbrella of the Minnesota Department of Health. The Board was established as an independent agency in 2018 under the authority of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 148 transitioning all licensing activities from the Minnesota Department of Health to the Board. The Board carries out its mission by granting qualified applicants the privilege to practice in Minnesota and by investigating complaints related to the statutory obligation of licensed individuals to provide competent, ethical care.

BUDGET





The Board of Occupational Therapy was established January 1, 2018. Prior to January 1, 2018 this program was under the Department of Health.

The Board is funded by licensure fees and receives no general fund dollars. Minnesota Statutes section 214.06, subdivision 1(a) compels the Board to collect fees in an amount sufficient to cover direct and indirect expenditures. Funds are deposited as non-dedicated revenue into the state government special revenue fund. From this fund, the Board receives a direct appropriation to pay for agency expenses such as salaries, rent, costs associated with disciplinary/contested cases and operating expenditures. It also pays statewide indirect costs through an open appropriation.

In addition to Board operations, licensure fees fund activities that support multiple boards and/or other agencies. Some of these are: The Administrative Services Unit (inter-board), Small Agency Resource Team (SmART), Health Professionals Services Program (inter-board), Office of the Attorney General for legal services, and the Criminal Background Check Program (inter-board).

#### **STRATEGIES**

The Board of Occupational Therapy Practice promotes and protects the health and safety of the citizens of Minnesota, accomplishes its public protection mission, and contributes to statewide outcomes by:

- Issuing licenses to practice only to qualified individuals;
- Administering the license renewal process;
- Responding to inquiries, complaints, and reports regarding applicants and licensees;
- Investigating and resolving complaints;
- Maintaining a comprehensive website that provides information to licensees, applicants, the public, and any other interested parties;
- Ensuring inquiries are managed in a timely and efficient manner;
- Educating stakeholders, licensees, potential licensees, educational programs, and the public;
- Conducting ongoing analysis of regulatory body best practice to ensure effective decision making

#### RESULTS

The information included below was generated using the Board's licensure and regulatory database. The total number of licensees continues to increase annually.

Type of Measure	Name of Measure	Previous*	Current	Dates
Quantity	Number of new licenses issued: Occupational Therapist Occupational Therapy Assistants	262 93	564 182	FY 2019 & FY 2020
Quantity	Number of licensees renewing: Occupational Therapist Occupational Therapy Assistants	2665 564	4204 1247	FY 2019 & FY 2020

\*Licensing responsibility did not begin with the Board until April 17, 2018. "Previous" data only reflects quantities issued/renewed with the Board. No Department of Health data is included.

The Board's activities are primarily governed by Minnesota Statutes sections 148.6401 to 148.6449 (<u>https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/148</u>) and Minnesota Statutes chapter 214 (<u>https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=214</u>).

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## Agency Expenditure Overview

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast Base		Governor's Recommendation	
	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY22	FY23
Expenditures by Fund								
1201 - Health Related Boards	228	303	335	571	456	456	456	456
2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue	5	15	11	13	13	13	13	13
Total	232	318	347	584	469	469	469	469
Biennial Change				380		7		7
Biennial % Change				69		1		1
Governor's Change from Base								(
Governor's % Change from Base								(
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Expenditures by Program Occupational Therapy Pract Bd	232	318	347	584	469	469	469	469
Total	232	318	347	584	469	469	469	469
Expenditures by Category								
Compensation	68	189	264	297	302	294	302	294
Operating Expenses	123	128	82	287	167	175	167	175
Other Financial Transaction	42	1						
Total	232	318	347	584	469	469	469	469

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## Agency Financing by Fund

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast Base		Governor's Recommendation	
	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY22	FY23
1201 - Health Related Boards								
Balance Forward In		146		115				
Direct Appropriation	374	329	450	456	456	456	456	456
Cancellations		173						
Balance Forward Out	146		115					
Expenditures	228	303	335	571	456	456	456	456
Biennial Change in Expenditures				376		6		6
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				71		1		1
Governor's Change from Base								0
Governor's % Change from Base								0
Full-Time Equivalents	0.48	2.02	3.03	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50

#### 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue

Balance Forward In		2	3	4	4	4	4	4
Receipts	7	14	13	13	13	13	13	13
Balance Forward Out	2	1	4	4	4	4	4	4
Expenditures	5	15	11	13	13	13	13	13
Biennial Change in Expenditures				4		2		2
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				22		7		7
Governor's Change from Base								0
Governor's % Change from Base								0

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(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY21	FY22	FY23	Biennium 2022-23
Direct				
Fund: 1201 - Health Related Boards				
FY2021 Appropriations	456	456	456	912
Forecast Base	456	456	456	912
Total Governor's Recommendations	456	456	456	912
Dedicated				
Fund: 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue				
Planned Spending	13	13	13	26
Forecast Base	13	13	13	26
Total Governor's Recommendations	13	13	13	26
Revenue Change Summary				
Dedicated				
Fund: 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue				
Forecast Revenues	13	13	13	26
Total Governor's Recommendations	13	13	13	26
Non-Dedicated				
Fund: 1201 - Health Related Boards				
Forecast Revenues	491	491	491	982
Total Governor's Recommendations	491	491	491	982