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Board of Chiropractic Examiners

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AT A GLANCE

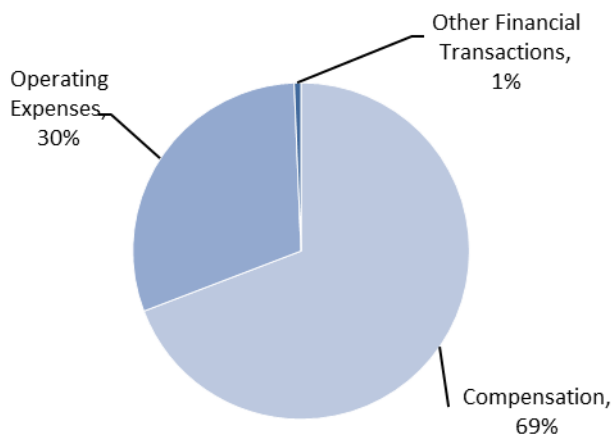
- The Minnesota Board of Chiropractic Examiners (MBCE) licenses and regulates over 3,000 active and 150 inactive Doctors of Chiropractic (DC)
- In addition to the DC license, the MBCE issues sub-registrations in Acupuncture, Animal Chiropractic, independent examination, professional firms, and a graduate preceptorship program
- The board is composed of 5 professional members (licensees of the board) and 2 public members
- The board employs five full time staff

PURPOSE

The mission of the Minnesota Board of Chiropractic Examiners (MBCE) is to protect the public through effective licensure and enforcement of the statutes and rules governing the practice of chiropractic to ensure a standard of competent and ethical practice in the profession.

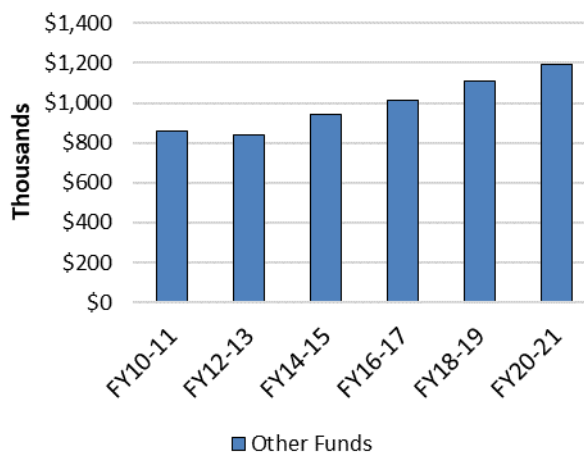
BUDGET

**Spending by Category
FY 2021 Actual**



Source: Budget Planning & Analysis System (BPAS)

Historical Spending



Source: Consolidated Fund Statement

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 the 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 (interboard) replaced by the Small Agency Resource Team in circa 2019, Health Professionals Services Program (interboard), Office of the Attorney General for legal services, and the Criminal Background Check Program (interboard).

STRATEGIES

The Board protects the public and ensures the competency of Doctors of Chiropractic by:

- Primary Source Verification and review of the education and credentials of applicants for licensure
- Allowing externships under a licensed Doctor of Chiropractic for recent graduates
- Collaborating with other states to assess legal, educational, and professional trends
- Approving continuing education programs and auditing licensees for these requirements
- Receiving, reviewing and if necessary, investigating complaints from the public
- Initiating educational meetings or disciplinary action with licensees where necessary
- Maintaining a website with relevant information for licensees and members of the public
- Promulgating rules where additional direction may be required
- Monitoring budget data to ensure efficient utilization of fiscal resources

The Board partners with the 1) National Board of Chiropractic Examiners, which provides the necessary professional testing for licensure in Minnesota; 2) the Minnesota Attorney General's office as the attorney for the Board; and 3) The Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards, an information repository for chiropractic regulation across the United States, as well as internationally. This organization also provides a national database of disciplinary actions, assisting the Board in licensing and regulatory decisions.

RESULTS

Type of Measure	FY 2019/2020	FY 2021/2022
Number of complaints	281	227
Number of violations	68	42
Continuing Education (CE)	FY 2019/2020	FY 2021/2022
CE audit deficiencies	728	536
CE audit failure* terminations	33	11 (current year in process)

Notes:

*Audit failure means a licensee had a CE deficiency that was not rectified, and their license was terminated.

M.S. 148.01 to 148.107 <https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/148> and M.R. 2500.0100 to 2500.7090 <https://www.revisor.mn.gov/rules/2500.0100/> provide legal authority to the MBCE.

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Agency Expenditure Overview

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY20	Actual FY21	Actual FY22	Estimate FY23	Forecast Base		Governor's Recommendation	
					FY24	FY25	FY24	FY25

Expenditures by Fund

1201 - Health Related Boards	565	621	576	756	666	666	773	790
2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue	4	5	6	6	5	5	5	5
Total	569	626	582	762	671	671	778	795
Biennial Change				149		(2)		229
Biennial % Change				12		(0)		17
Governor's Change from Base								231
Governor's % Change from Base								17

Expenditures by Program

Chiropractors Board	569	626	582	762	671	671	778	795
Total	569	626	582	762	671	671	778	795

Expenditures by Category

Compensation	382	431	410	432	437	442	454	476
Operating Expenses	187	191	167	330	234	229	324	319
Other Financial Transaction	0	4	4					
Total	569	626	582	762	671	671	778	795

Full-Time Equivalents

	4.90	5.50	4.99	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
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Agency Financing by Fund

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY20	Actual FY21	Actual FY22	Estimate FY23	Forecast Base FY24 FY25		Governor's Recommendation FY24 FY25	
1201 - Health Related Boards								
Balance Forward In	63	161		90				
Direct Appropriation	629	641	666	666	666	666	773	790
Open Appropriation	4							
Transfers Out		83						
Cancellations		98						
Balance Forward Out	131		90					
Expenditures	565	621	576	756	666	666	773	790
Biennial Change in Expenditures				146		0		231
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				12		0		17
Governor's Change from Base								231
Governor's % Change from Base								17
Full-Time Equivalents	4.90	5.50	4.99	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00

2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue

Balance Forward In	1	1	1	1				
Receipts	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Balance Forward Out	1	1	1					
Expenditures	4	5	6	6	5	5	5	5
Biennial Change in Expenditures				3		(2)		(2)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				28		(14)		(14)
Governor's Change from Base								0
Governor's % Change from Base								0

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25
Direct				
Fund: 1201 - Health Related Boards				
FY2023 Appropriations	666	666	666	1,332
Forecast Base	666	666	666	1,332
Change Items				
Maintain Current Service Levels		107	124	231
Total Governor's Recommendations	666	773	790	1,563
Dedicated				
Fund: 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue				
Planned Spending	6	5	5	10
Forecast Base	6	5	5	10
Total Governor's Recommendations	6	5	5	10
Revenue Change Summary				
Dedicated				
Fund: 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue				
Forecast Revenues	5	5	5	10
Total Governor's Recommendations	5	5	5	10
Non-Dedicated				
Fund: 1201 - Health Related Boards				
Forecast Revenues	824	803	803	1,606
Total Governor's Recommendations	824	803	803	1,606

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FY 2024-25 Biennial Budget Change Item

Change Item Title: Maintain Current Service Levels

Fiscal Impact (\$000s)	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
General Fund				
Expenditures	0	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0	0
Other Funds				
Expenditures	107	124	124	124
Revenues	0	0	0	0
Net Fiscal Impact = (Expenditures – Revenues)	107	124	124	124
FTEs	0	0	0	0

Recommendation:

The Governor recommends additional funding of \$107,000 in FY 2024 and \$124,000 in each subsequent year from the State Government Special Revenue fund to maintain the current level of service delivery at the Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

Rationale/Background:

Each year, the cost of doing business rises—employer-paid health care contributions, FICA and Medicare, along with other salary and compensation-related costs increase. Other operating costs, like rent and lease, fuel and utilities, and IT and legal services also grow. This cost growth puts pressure on agency operating budgets that remain flat from year to year.

Agencies face challenging decisions to manage these costs within existing budgets, while maintaining the services Minnesotans expect. From year to year, agencies find ways to become more efficient with existing resources. However, cost growth typically outstrips efficiencies, and without additional resources added to agency budgets, service delivery erodes.

For the Board of Chiropractic Examiners, operating cost pressures exist in multiple categories—increases in compensation and insurance costs at the agency, increasing costs to maintain our current staff complement in a challenging labor market, and increasing IT costs. If an operational increase is not provided, the services the Board delivers to Minnesotans will be impacted, including timely and efficient licensure of chiropractic professionals and investigations into licensing-related issues.

Proposal:

The Governor recommends increasing agency operating budgets to support maintaining the delivery of current services. For the Board, this funding will support expected and anticipated employee compensation growth and known cost increases in other operating and IT services.

Results:

This proposal is intended to allow the Board of Chiropractic Examiners to continue to provide current levels of service and information to the public.