

ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

Enabling Laws

Act 57 of 2016
A.C.A. §17-93-201

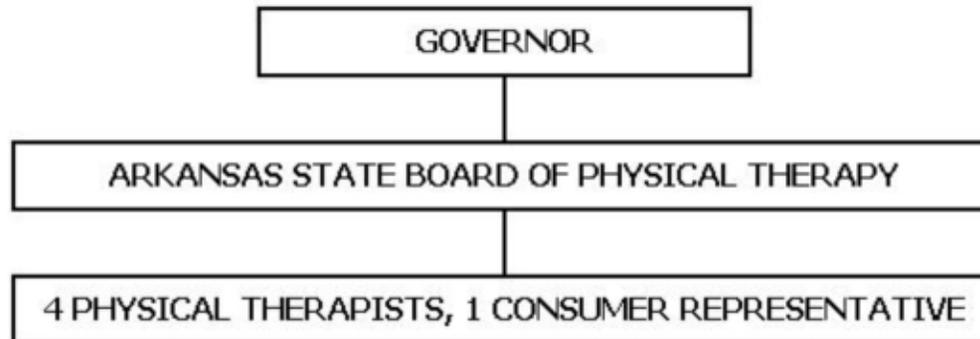
History and Organization

History: A.C.A. §17-93-201 established the Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy. It authorized a five member Board that is made up of four Physical Therapists and a consumer representative.

Mission: To administer the statute with the highest degree of integrity, competence, and efficiency commensurate with the professional standards of physical therapy providers.

Statutory Responsibility: To see that persons attesting to provide physical therapy services have met all requirements and by doing so protect the public.

Primary Activities: 1) Grant a license to those who meet all requirements, including verification of eligibility to take the national examination and otherwise qualify; 2) Oversee examination which tests for minimum level competency; 3) Determine whether those who apply for a license to practice qualify; 4) Annually register and issue an annual license to practice; and 5) Investigate violations of the Act and take disciplinary action where appropriate after conducting a hearing.



Agency Commentary

As in previous years, the Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy strives to issue licenses for physical therapy and to uphold the standards prescribed by statute to protect the health of the public. The Board's budget in previous years and for the upcoming biennial budget period remains the same as it has been for the past fifteen years. The Board has succeeded in staying within the approved budget each year.

The Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy's proposed budget for the total operating expenses will remain the same. This covers salaries, facility rent, complaint investigations, disciplinary hearings, board member travel to meetings, office equipment rental and all other necessary operating expenses.

We believe it is necessary that the Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy's biennial budget for 2017-2019 remain at its present level to ensure the financial obligations of the Board.

Audit Findings

DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT
AUDIT OF :
ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2014

Findings

Recommendations

None

None

State Contracts Over \$50,000 Awarded To Minority Owned Businesses Fiscal Year 2016

None

Employment Summary

	Male	Female	Total	%
White Employees	0	2	2	100 %
Black Employees	0	0	0	0 %
Other Racial Minorities	0	0	0	0 %
Total Minorities			0	0 %
Total Employees			2	100 %

Publications

A.C.A. 25-1-201 et seq.

Name	Statutory Authorization	Required for		# of Copies	Reason(s) for Continued Publication and Distribution	Unbound Black & White Copies Produced During the Last Two Years	Cost of Unbound Copies Produced During the Last Two Years
		Governor	General Assembly				
Annual Report	A.C.A. §17-93-203 (c)	Y	N	1	Report receipts and disbursements	0	0.00
Directory	A.C.A. §17-93-202 (4)(A)	N	N	20	Communication with Licensees	0	0.00
Newsletter	None	N	N	2,600	Practice Changes:Suspension	0	0.00

Agency Position Usage Report

FY2014 - 2015						FY2015 - 2016						FY2016 - 2017					
Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted Total	% of Authorized Unused	Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted Total	% of Authorized Unused	Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted Total	% of Authorized Unused
	Filled	Unfilled	Total				Filled	Unfilled	Total				Filled	Unfilled	Total		
2	2	0	2	0	0.00 %	2	2	0	2	0	0.00 %	2	2	0	2	0	0.00 %

Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation: B47 - Cash Operations

Funding Sources: 346 - Physical Therapy Cash Operations

The Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy was created by A.C.A. §17-93-201. The primary duties of the Board include the licensure of Physical Therapists and Physical Therapy Assistants through examination. The Board is a cash agency funded from licensure and renewal fees charged pursuant to A.C.A. §17-93-202. The Board utilizes these funds to finance two Regular Salary positions and provide operating expenses for the administration of the laws governing individuals who provide physical therapy services.

Base Level Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching include the continuation of the previously authorized 2017 Salaries and Career Service Payments for eligible employees. Personal Services Matching includes the monthly contribution for State employee's health insurance for a total State match per budgeted employee of \$420 per month. Base Level salaries and matching do not include appropriation for a Cost of Living Adjustment or Merit Pay Increases. The Base Level request for Regular Salaries includes board member stipend payments.

The Board is requesting Base Level of \$263,335 in each year of the biennium with two (2) Regular positions and one (1) Extra Help position.

The Executive Recommendation provides for the Agency Request.

Appropriation Summary

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Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Commitment Item		Historical Data			Agency Request and Executive Recommendation			Agency Request and Executive Recommendation		
		2015-2016 Actual	2016-2017 Budget	2016-2017 Authorized	2017-2018			2018-2019		
					Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Regular Salaries	5010000	96,426	92,778	91,891	92,778	92,778	92,778	92,778	92,778	92,778
#Positions		2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Extra Help	5010001	0	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
#Extra Help		0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Personal Services Matching	5010003	31,248	30,723	30,816	31,235	31,235	31,235	31,235	31,235	31,235
Operating Expenses	5020002	47,561	89,833	89,833	89,833	89,833	89,833	89,833	89,833	89,833
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	0	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489
Professional Fees	5060010	4,273	41,000	41,000	41,000	41,000	41,000	41,000	41,000	41,000
Data Processing	5090012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		179,508	262,823	262,029	263,335	263,335	263,335	263,335	263,335	263,335
Funding Sources										
Fund Balance	4000005	841,705	905,538		849,842	849,842	849,842	800,870	800,870	829,613
Cash Fund	4000045	243,341	207,127		214,363	214,363	214,363	263,335	263,335	263,335
Total Funding		1,085,046	1,112,665		1,064,205	1,064,205	1,064,205	1,064,205	1,064,205	1,092,948
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(905,538)	(849,842)		(800,870)	(800,870)	(800,870)	(800,870)	(800,870)	(829,613)
Grand Total		179,508	262,823		263,335	263,335	263,335	263,335	263,335	263,335

FY17 Budget amount in Regular Salaries exceeds the authorized amount due to salary adjustments during the 2015-2017 Biennium.