# **ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE COUNSELORS**

## **Enabling Laws**

Act 189 of 2016 A.C.A. §17-27-401

### **History and Organization**

Act 1588 of 1999 and 1708 of 2001 (A.C.A. §17-27-401 et seq.) established the State Board of Examiners of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors. It authorized a thirteen member board made up of Licensed and/or Certified Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors and one citizen at large.

#### **Mission**

To protect the public from being misled by incompetent and unauthorized persons and from unprofessional conduct on the part of qualified Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors.

#### Statutory Responsibility

To provide regulatory authority over persons who hold themselves out to the public as Licensed Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors.

#### **Primary Activities**

- 1) To establish appropriate licensure and certification requirements.
- 2) To define the practice of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counseling and to promote high standards of professional performance for those engaged in the practice of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counseling.
- 3) To set standards of qualifications, training and experience for those who seek to engage in the practice of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counseling.
- 4) Maintain an office to provide necessary support to meet Board responsibilities.

#### Oversight and/or Advisory Affiliation

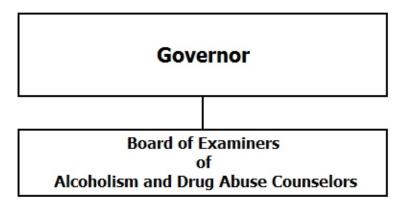
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#### Statutory Provisions for Fees, Fines and Penalties:

The Board has the authority to set fees or penalties for late renewals. A maximum amount of \$265.00 per counselor per licensing cycle (every other year) is charged.

#### Revenue Receipts Cycle:

Revenue receipts deposited per licensing cycle, every other year. All monies, including fees for late renewals, insufficient checks or a charge for replacement certificate are deposited into one account in the State Treasury's office. Interest deposited monthly.



## **Agency Commentary**

The State Board of Examiners of Alcoholism & Drug Abuse Counselors is responsible for providing regulatory authority over persons who hold themselves out to the public as Licensed Alcoholism & Drug Abuse Counselors. The operation of the Board is funded from the receipt of fees charged by the agency for licensing.

Board expenses consist of board member stipends, operating expenses, and the part-time professional services of the board administrator. Total request is for Base Level of \$31,966 each year of the biennium.

## **Audit Findings**

## DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

#### AUDIT OF:

#### ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE COUNSELORS

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

### **Publications**

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

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None	N/A	N	N	0	N/A	0	0.00	

### **Agency Position Usage Report**

		FY20	14 - 2	015		FY2015 - 2016					FY2016 - 2017						
Authorized		Budgete	d	Unbudgeted	% of			Unbudgeted				Budgeted		Unbudgeted	% of		
in Act	Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total	Authorized Unused	in Act	Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total	Authorized Unused	in Act	Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total	Authorized Unused
0	0	0	0	0	0.00 %	0	0	0	0	0	0.00 %	0	0	0	0	0	0.00 %

### **Analysis of Budget Request**

**Appropriation:** 85U - Treasury Cash

**Funding Sources:** NDA - Cash in Treasury

The Board of Examiners of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors was created by A.C.A. §17-27-401 et seq. The Board is responsible for regulating the practice of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counseling. License fees generate funding for the operations of the Board. In November 2011, the Board moved all of its cash funds from banks to the State Treasury.

The Base Level request for Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching includes board member stipend payments.

The Board is requesting Base Level of \$31,966 each year of the 2017-2019 Biennium.

The Executive Recommendation provides for the Agency Request.

# **Appropriation Summary**

**Appropriation:** 85U - Treasury Cash **Funding Sources:** NDA - Cash in Treasury

#### **Historical Data**

#### **Agency Request and Executive Recommendation**

		2015-2016	2016-2017	2016-2017	2017-2018			2018-2019			
Commitment Item		Actual	Budget	Authorized	Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive	
Regular Salaries	5010000	3,660	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	
#Positions		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Personal Services Matching	5010003	294	566	566	566	566	566	566	566	566	
Operating Expenses	5020002	8,511	10,000	12,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Professional Fees	5060010	10,795	14,000	12,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	
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		23,260	31,966	31,966	31,966	31,966	31,966	31,966	31,966	31,966	
Funding Sources	,										
Fund Balance	4000005	18,324	38,600		11,634	11,634	11,634	19,668	19,668	19,668	
Cash Fund	4000045	43,536	5,000		40,000	40,000	40,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	
Total Funding		61,860	43,600		51,634	51,634	51,634	24,668	24,668	24,668	
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(38,600)	(11,634)		(19,668)	(19,668)	(19,668)	7,298	7,298	7,298	
Grand Total		23,260	31,966		31,966	31,966	31,966	31,966	31,966	31,966	

Budget exceeds Authorized Appropriation in Professional Fees by authority of a Budget Classification Transfer.