

AR STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

Enabling Laws

Act 30 of 2003
A.C.A. §17-93-201

History and Organization

History:

Act 1232 of 1991 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:

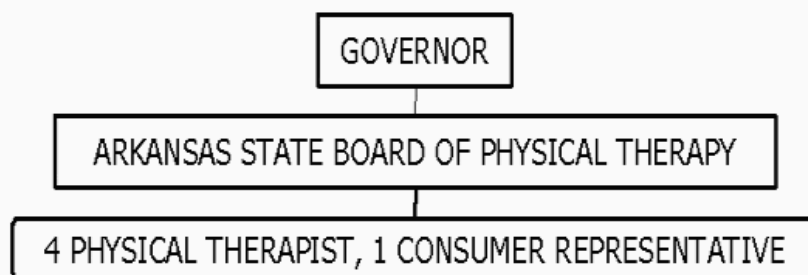
To administer the statute with the highest degree of integrity, competence, and efficiency commensurate with the professional standards of physical therapy providers.

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) by passing this examination which tests for minimum level competency, 3) determine whether those who apply for a license to practice qualify, 4) annually register and issue them annual license to practice, and 5) investigate violations of the Act and take disciplinary action where appropriate after conducting a hearing.



Agency Commentary

The Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy is responsible for assuring those individuals who are attesting to provide physical therapy services are qualified to do so. The operations of the Board are funded from the receipts of fees charged by the agency.

The Board is requesting Base Level for the 2005-2007 biennium and an increase of \$18,400.00 in Operating Expenses for FY06 for various increases in expenses including replacing a laptop, and an

increase of \$16,800.00 for FY07 for the same expenses without the purchase of a laptop. Also, the agency is requesting a Extraordinary Salary Increase to raise the Line Item Maximum amount for the two positions of the Board.

Audit Findings

DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT
AUDIT OF :
ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2003

Findings	Recommendations
None	None

Employment Summary

	Male	Female	Total	%
White Employees	0	1	1	100 %
Black Employees	0	0	0	0 %
Other Racial Minorities	0	0	0	0 %
Total Minorities			0	0 %
Total Employees			1	100 %

Cash Fund Balance Description as of June 30, 2004

Fund Account	Balance	Type	Location
3460000	\$23,413	Checking	Metropolitan

Statutory/Other Restrictions on use:

A.C.A. 17-93-203 provides for the disposition of funds.

Statutory Provisions for Fees, Fines, Penalties:

A.C.A. 17-93-203 authorizes the agency to collect fees.

Revenue Receipts Cycle:

Annual renewal fees are due by March of each year. Other funds are collected on an irregular basis.

Fund Balance Utilization:

Funds are expended for the purpose of regulating, licensing and examining physical therapists and physical therapist assistants.

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7006101	\$284,645	CD	Ozark National Bank

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Publications

A.C.A 25-1-204

Name	Statutory Authorization	Required for		# Of Copies	Reason (s) for Continued Publication and Distribution
		Governor	General Assembly		
Directory	ACA 25-1-204	N	N	2,200	Communication with Licensees
Newsletter	ACA 25-1-204	N	N	4,400	Practice Changes:Suspension

Analysis of Budget Request

Appropriation / Program: B47 - Cash Operations

Funding Sources: 346-Physical Therapy Board-Cash

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 subchapter 2 of Arkansas Code §17-93. 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 for this appropriation includes graduated salary increases of 3% to 1.5% each year over FY05 salary levels, along with related Personal Services Matching costs for two (2) Base Level positions. This includes a \$600 minimum increase for employees earning \$20,000 or below. Included in Personal Services Matching is a \$40 increase in the monthly contribution for State employee's health insurance for a total State match of \$320 per month.

The Agency requests Base Level budget of \$210,098 in FY06 & \$213,140 in FY07 plus Change Level requests of \$20,503 in FY06 & \$21,192 in FY07. Requests include increases in Operating Expenses (\$4,400 in FY06 & \$2,800 in FY07) for the purchase of a new laptop for the office, and for a mileage increase for board members due to increased travel. The Agency also request an increase in Legal Fees of \$14,000 each year of the biennium to provide for an outside Attorney to prepare an Amicus brief for an ongoing legal case between the Physical Therapy Board and the Chiropractic Board. The Agency also requests an Extraordinary Salary Increase for the two positions in the amount of \$2,103 in FY06 & \$4,392 in FY07 due to increased duties and responsibilities.

The Executive Recommendation provides for Agency Request in Operating Expenses and Professional Fees & Services and denies the Extraordinary Salary Increases for the two (2) positions. Expenditure of appropriation is contingent upon available funding.

Appropriation / Program Summary

Appropriation / Program: B47 Cash Operations
Funding Sources: 346-Physical Therapy Board-Cash

Commitment Item	Historical Data			Agency Request and Executive Recommendation					
	2003-2004 Actual	2004-2005 Budget	2004-2005 Authorized	2005-2006			2006-2007		
				Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Regular Salaries 5010000	83,203	85,523	85,523	87,972	89,742	87,972	90,532	94,229	90,532
#Positions	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Extra Help 5010001	2,127	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
#Extra Help	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Personal Services Matching 5010003	21,880	22,737	22,252	24,604	24,937	24,604	25,086	25,781	25,086
Operating Expenses 5020002	80,012	85,033	85,033	85,033	89,433	89,433	85,033	87,833	87,833
Travel-Conference Fees 5050009	1,388	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489
Professional Fees and Services 5060010	103	2,000	2,000	2,000	16,000	16,000	2,000	16,000	16,000
Data Processing 5090012	0	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Capital Outlay 5120011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	188,713	205,782	205,297	210,098	230,601	228,498	213,140	234,332	229,940
Funding Sources									
Fund Balance 4000005	348,528	311,792		246,010	246,010	246,010	155,409	155,409	157,512
Cash Fund 4000045	151,977	140,000		119,497	140,000	140,000	118,808	140,000	140,000
Total Funding	500,505	451,792		365,507	386,010	386,010	274,217	295,409	297,512
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)	(311,792)	(246,010)		(155,409)	(155,409)	(157,512)	(61,077)	(61,077)	(67,572)
Grand Total	188,713	205,782		210,098	230,601	228,498	213,140	234,332	229,940

The FY05 Budgeted amount in Personal Service Matching exceeds Authorized due to matching rate adjustments during the 2003-05 biennium.

Change Level by Appropriation

Appropriation / Program: B47-Cash Operations

Funding Sources: 346-Physical Therapy Board-Cash

Agency Request

Change Level		2005-2006	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2006-2007	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
BL	Base Level	210,098	2	210,098	100.0	213,140	2	213,140	100.0
C01	Existing Program	16,800	0	226,898	108.0	16,800	0	229,940	107.8
C08	Technology	1,600	0	228,498	108.7	0	0	229,940	107.8
C15	Ex Salary Increase	2,103	0	230,601	109.7	4,392	0	234,332	109.9

Executive Recommendation

Change Level		2005-2006	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL	2006-2007	Pos	Cumulative	% of BL
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C08	Technology	1,600	0	228,498	108.7	0	0	229,940	107.8
C15	Ex Salary Increase	0	0	228,498	108.7	0	0	229,940	107.8

Justification

C01	Increase Operating Expense for Board Member Mileage by \$1,900 each fiscal year for additional miles traveled by board members and \$900 each fiscal year for maintenance fees. Increase Legal Fees \$14,000 each fiscal year for Amicus brief done by an outside attorney.
C08	Increase Operating \$1,600 in FY06 for the purchase of a new laptop.
C15	Extraordinary Salary Increases for positions due to increased duties and responsibilities.