

ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

Enabling Laws

Act 231 of 2005
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:

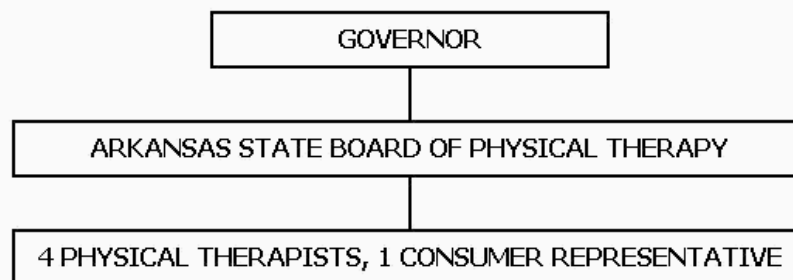
To administer the statute with the highest degree of integrity, competence, and efficiency commensurate with the professional standards of physical therapy providers.

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

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 2007-09 biennium.

Audit Findings

DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT
AUDIT OF :
ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

Findings	Recommendations
None	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 %

Cash Fund Balance Description as of June 30, 2006

Fund Account	Balance	Type	Location
3460000	\$405,250	Checking/Treasury	Metropolitan/State Treasury

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.

Publications

A.C.A 25-1-204

Name	Statutory Authorization	Required for		# Of Copies	Reason (s) for Continued Publication and Distribution
		Governor	General Assembly		
Annual Report	A.C.A. §17-93-203 (c)	Y	N	1	Report receipts and disbursements
Directory	A.C.A. §17-93-202 (4)(A)	N	N	2,700	Communication with Licensees
Newsletter	None	N	N	2,600	Practice Changes:Suspension

Agency Position Usage Report

FY2004-2005						FY2005-2006						FY2006-2007					
Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted	% of Authorized Unused	Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted	% of Authorized Unused	Authorized in Act	Budgeted			Unbudgeted	% of Authorized Unused
	Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total			Filled	Unfilled	Total	Total			Filled	Unfilled	Total	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 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 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.

A cost of living increase is not incorporated in Base Level pending the outcome of the Classification and Compensation Study. The Base Level request of \$92,532 each year of the biennium for Regular Salaries does include board member Stipend payments. Personal Services Matching reflects increases in the Base Level due to certain increases in Worker's Compensation and Unemployment Tax rates as well as a \$30 increase in the monthly contribution for State employee's health insurance for a total State match per budgeted employee of \$350 per month.

The Board requests Base Level of \$234,126 each year of the biennium. This will provide appropriation for existing staff and operating costs necessary to conduct the business of the Physical Therapy Board.

The Executive Recommendation provides for Agency Request. Expenditure of appropriation is contingent upon available funding.

Appropriation

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Historical Data

Agency Request and Executive Recommendation

Commitment Item		2005-2006	2006-2007	2006-2007	2007-2008			2008-2009		
		Actual	Budget	Authorized	Base Level	Agency	Executive	Base Level	Agency	Executive
Regular Salaries	5010000	73,258	92,532	90,532	92,532	92,532	92,532	92,532	92,532	92,532
#Positions		2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Extra Help	5010001	414	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	19,172	26,494	25,086	27,272	27,272	27,272	27,272	27,272	27,272
Operating Expenses	5020002	50,345	87,833	87,833	87,833	87,833	87,833	87,833	87,833	87,833
Conference & Travel Expenses	5050009	475	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489	3,489
Professional Fees	5060010	13,722	33,000	16,000	16,000	16,000	16,000	16,000	16,000	16,000
Data Processing	5090012	750	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		158,136	250,348	229,940	234,126	234,126	234,126	234,126	234,126	234,126
Funding Sources										
Fund Balance	4000005	370,659	405,250		326,702	326,702	326,702	318,576	318,576	318,576
Cash Fund	4000045	192,727	171,800		226,000	226,000	226,000	218,000	218,000	218,000
Total Funding		563,386	577,050		552,702	552,702	552,702	536,576	536,576	536,576
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(405,250)	(326,702)		(318,576)	(318,576)	(318,576)	(302,450)	(302,450)	(302,450)
Grand Total		158,136	250,348		234,126	234,126	234,126	234,126	234,126	234,126

The FY07 Budgeted amount in Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching exceeds the Authorized amount due to Stipend payments for board members. The Budgeted amount in Professional Fees exceeds the Authorized amount due to a cash increase received during FY07 from the DFA Cash Holding Account.