# **PSYCHOLOGY BOARD**

	Dollars in Thousands						
	Current		Governor Recomm.		Biennium		
	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007	2006-07		
Direct Appropriations by Fund							
State Government Spec Revenue							
Current Appropriation	680	680	680	680	1,360		
Recommended	680	680	680	680	1,360		
Change		0	0	0	0		
% Biennial Change from 2004-05					0%		
Expenditures by Fund							
Direct Appropriations							
State Government Spec Revenue	528	832	680	680	1,360		
Open Appropriations '					•		
State Government Spec Revenue	8	11	11	11	22		
Total	536	843	691	691	1,382		
Expenditures by Category							
Total Compensation	424	540	513	533	1,046		
Other Operating Expenses	112	303	178	158	336		
Total	536	843	691	691	1,382		
Expenditures by Program							
Psychology, Board Of	536	843	691	691	1,382		
Total	536	843	691	691	1,382		
Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)	8.2	9.0	9.0	9.0			

## **Agency Purpose**

he Board of Psychology is the agency of the state that licenses and regulates licensed psychologists (LP) and licensed psychological practitioners (LPP), under the authority of M.S. 148.88-148.98 and related rules.

The mission of the board is to protect the public from the practice of psychology by unqualified persons and from unethical and unprofessional conduct by persons licensed to practice psychology.

#### **Core Functions**

The board accomplishes its mission by:

- reviewing applicants' education and training for compliance with board requirements for licensure;
- requiring that applicants pass a state and a national standardized examination on the practice of psychology;
- educating the public about the requirements for licensure and the rules of conduct for applicants and licensees;
- requiring and approving continuing education for licensees; and
- accepting and investigating complaints from the public (including other licensees), which allege violations of the Psychology Practice Act.

# **Operations**

The board serves a varied customer base. Primary customers include applicants for examinations and licensure, licensees, the general public, continuing education sponsors, and other government agencies.

The agency gathers information from applicants about their qualifications for licensure and independently verifies the information from primary sources. If the information is substantiated and meets licensure requirements, the 11 member Board of Psychology admits an applicant to examination or to licensure. Licenses are renewed biennially after licensees meet all renewal requirements, including providing documentation of the required amount of continuing education hours. Consumer complaints are investigated to establish whether a violation of the Psychology Practice Act has occurred and the board adopts any necessary disciplinary or other remedy against an applicant's ability to be admitted to practice or a licensee's license to practice psychology.

### **Budget**

Total direct and indirect expenses for the FY 2004-05 biennium are estimated to be \$2.025 million. The board staff includes 8.8 full-time equivalent employees.

Of the total budget for the FY 2004-05 biennium, an estimated \$2.119 million will be collected as non-dedicated revenue which is deposited into the state government special revenue fund. The board collects fees charged to applicants, licensees, sponsors of continuing education activities, companies seeking verifications of licensure, professional psychological corporations, and subjects of disciplinary actions (civil penalties). The board is responsible for collecting enough revenue to recover all direct and indirect costs.

The board is responsible for paying the costs of services received from the Attorney General's Office, Health Professional Services Program, and the Administrative Services Unit. A direct appropriation is given to each of these programs from the state government special revenue fund. The board must ensure that sufficient revenue is collected through its fees to fund its portion of these program costs.

# At A Glance

Biennial Budget - FY 2004-05:

Total Estimated Expenses: \$2.025 million

Total Estimated Revenue: \$2.119 million

Staff: 8.8 Full-time equivalent employees

Minnesota Licensed Psychologists Statistics (As of June 30, 2004)

Total Licensed: 3,589

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Dollars in Thousands

	Actual FY2004	Budgeted FY2005	Governor's FY2006	Recomm. FY2007	Biennium 2006-07
Non Dedicated Revenue:					
Departmental Earnings:					
State Government Spec Revenue	1,091	1,021	1,002	1,002	2,004
Other Revenues:					
State Government Spec Revenue	0	7	3	3	6
Total Non-Dedicated Receipts	1,091	1,028	1,005	1,005	2,010
Dedicated Receipts:					_
Total Dedicated Receipts	0	0	0	0	0
Agency Total Revenue	1,091	1,028	1,005	1,005	2,010