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Chiropractors Board

http://mn.gov/health-licensing-boards/chiropractic-examiners/

AT A GLANCE

- The Board currently regulates just under 5,000 credentials
- The annual increase in credentials is consistently around 5%
- The Board received 172 complaints in 2012 and 245 in 2013. The Board closed 174 complaints in 2012 and 188 in 2013
- The Board audits 100% of continuing education (CE) requirements of licensees, resulting in a reduction in CE failures.
- The Board continues to maintain a robust web presence. Having been the second agency in MN to allow online license renewal, the Board is currently completing a major upgrade to this capability that will allow online initial application processing.

PURPOSE

The mission of the Minnesota Board of Chiropractic Examiners is to ensure a standard of safe, competent and ethical practice in the profession. The Board carries out this mission through licensure of qualified applicants and enforcement of statutes and rules governing the practice of chiropractic medicine. The Board contributes to the statewide outcomes of:

- All Minnesotans have optimal health
- People in Minnesota are safe
- Efficient and accountable government services



The Board is fully fee supported, with its budget derived solely from the annual fees of its licensees. In spite of various demands placed upon the budget over the years, continued changes in strategies and adaptations have resulted in no fees being raised since 1993, and no expectation of any raises being necessary in the foreseeable future.

STRATEGIES

The Board protects the public and ensures the competency of doctors of chiropractic by:

- Reviewing the education and credentials of applicants for licensure
- Allowing externships under a licensed doctor of chiropractic for recent graduates
- Collaborating with other states to assess legal, educational and professional trends
- Approving continuing education programs and auditing licensees for these requirements
- Receiving, reviewing and if necessary investigating complaints from the public

BUDGET

- Initiating educational meetings or disciplinary action with licensees where necessary
- Maintaining a website with relevant information for licensees and members of the public
- Promulgating rules where additional direction may be required
- Monitoring budget data to ensure efficient utilization of fiscal resources

The Board is a member of the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards (FCLB), a federation of all the licensing Boards in the country, as well as some from the international community. The FCLB is an information repository which disseminates information on regulatory trends occurring nationally and internationally. In this way the Board can, to the degree possible, remain "ahead of the game" with regard to regulatory awareness. The FCLB also maintains a national database of disciplinary actions which this Board uses in making decisions regarding the licensing of those persons relocating from other jurisdictions.

RESULTS

Type of Measure	Name of Measure	Previous	Current	Dates
Quantity	Terminations due to Continuing Education audit failures	9	1	2005-6 2011-12
Quality	Licenses <i>not</i> renewed on-time (4-year average)	174.5	112.25*	2007-2010 2011-2014
Results	Complaints during new licensee's first 5 years of practice	272	145	2001-06 2006-2011

* Reduction due to improved use of technology

The statutory authority for the Minnesota Board of Chiropractic Examiners is located in Chapter 148.01-148.108. https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes?id=148.01

The rules are located in MN Rules Chapter 2500. <u>https://www.revisor.mn.gov/rules?id=2500.0100</u> Additional statutes pertaining to all health licensing boards are found in Chapters 13, 16, and 214.

(Dollars in Thousands)

Expenditures By Fund

	Actu FY12	ual FY13	Actual FY14	Estimate FY15	Forecas FY16	t Base FY17	Goverr Recomme FY16	
1201 - Health Related Boards	401	438	442	629	509	509	516	522
Total	401	438	442	629	509	509	516	522
Biennial Change				232		(53)		(33)
Biennial % Change				28		(5)		(3)
Governor's Change from Base								20
Governor's % Change from Base								2
Expenditures by Program								
Program: Chiropractors Board of	401	438	442	629	509	509	516	522
Total	401	438	442	629	509	509	516	522
Expenditures by Category								
Compensation	302	323	345	366	371	377	371	377
Operating Expenses	97	90	91	263	138	132	145	145
Other Financial Transactions	1	25	6	0	0	0	0	0
Total	401	438	442	629	509	509	516	522
Eull Time Equivalante	4.8	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Full-Time Equivalents	4.8	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0

(Dollars in Thousands)

1201 - Health Related Boards

	Actual		Actual Estimate		Forecast Base		Governor's	
	FY12	FY 13	Actual FY 14	Estimate FY15	Forecast FY16	FY17	Recommendation FY16 FY17	
Balance Forward In	63	140	63	129				
Direct Appropriation	469	483	508	500	500	500	507	513
Open Appropriation	9	2	0	0	9	9	9	9
Cancellations		124						
Expenditures	401	438	442	629	509	509	516	522
Balance Forward Out	140	63	129					
Biennial Change in Expenditures				232		(53)		(33)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				28		(5)		(3)
Gov's Exp Change from Base								20
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FTEs	4.8	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0

FY16-17 Biennial Budget Change Item

Change Item Title: Operating Adjustment

Fiscal Impact (\$000s)	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
General Fund				
Expenditures	0	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0	0
Health Related Boards Fund				
Expenditures	7	13	13	13
Revenues	0	0	0	0
Net Fiscal Impact =	7	13	13	13
(Expenditures – Revenues)				
FTEs	0	0	0	0

Recommendation:

The Governor recommends additional funding for compensation related costs associated with the delivery of agency services. This amount represents an annual increase of 1.8% for General Fund compensation costs.

Rationale/Background:

Each year, compensation costs rise due to labor contract settlements, and changes in employer-paid contributions for insurance, FICA, Medicare, retirement, and other factors. Absorbing this increase in compensation costs within existing agency base appropriations results in reduced staffing and/or reduced non-compensation spending.

Proposal:

The Governor recommends increasing agencies' general fund budgets for employee wage and benefit costs by 1.8% per year for FY 2016-17. Agencies were instructed to include a 1.8% increase to total compensation each year in their base budgets, based upon the compound annual compensation spending rate increase per FTE over the last ten years for executive branch employees. This recommendation is intended to allow agencies to maintain their current level of agency operations.

For non-General Fund direct appropriated funds, the Governor's budget recommendations also include an adjustment of 1.8% per year, where the amount can be supported by the source of revenue.

Results:

This proposal is intended to allow agencies to continue to provide current levels of service and information to the public.

Statutory Change(s):

N.A.