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<https://mn.gov/boards/occupational-therapy/>

### AT A GLANCE

Licensing services through July 25, 2022

- 4,442 active occupational therapist licensees
- 1,240 active occupational therapy assistant licensees
- 23 current, active temporary occupational therapist licensees
- 13 current, active temporary occupational therapy assistant licensees

Complaint Services- Fiscal year ending 6/30/2022 July 1, 2020- June 30, 2022

- 15 complaints open/received
- 14 complaints closed

Staff

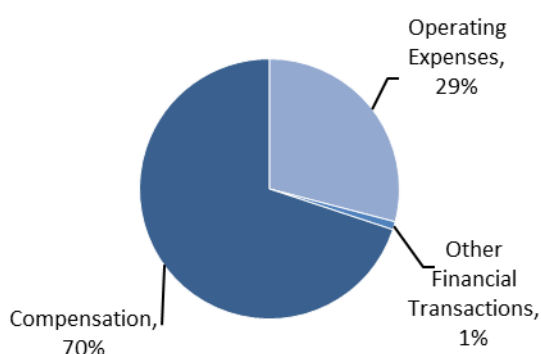
- 3.0 full time equivalent employees

### PURPOSE

The Minnesota Board of Occupational Therapy Practice exists to protect the public. The Board enforces statute related to ensuring competent, ethical occupational therapy services. Regulation of occupational therapy practitioners began in 1996 under the Minnesota Department of Health. The Board was established as an independent agency in 2018 under the authority of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 148. All licensing and enforcement activities moved from the Minnesota Department of Health to the Board. The Board carries out its mission by granting qualified applicants the privilege to practice in Minnesota and by investigating complaints related to the statutory obligation of licensed individuals to provide competent, ethical care.

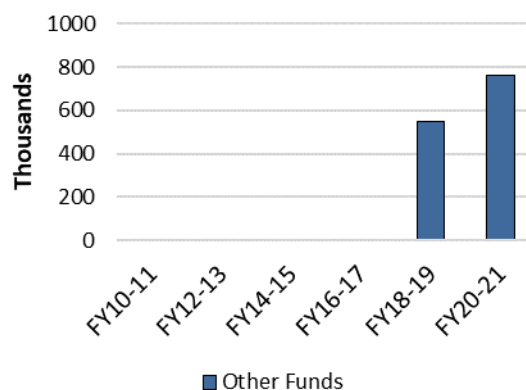
### BUDGET

**Spending by Category  
FY 2021 Actual**



Source: Budget Planning & Analysis System (BPAS)

**Historical Spending**



Source: Consolidated Fund Statement

The Board is funded by licensure fees and receives no general fund dollars. Minnesota Statutes section 214.06, subdivision 1(a) compels the Board to collect fees in an amount sufficient to cover direct and indirect expenditures. Funds are deposited as non-dedicated revenue into the state government special revenue fund. From this fund, the Board receives a direct appropriation to pay for agency expenses such as salaries, rent, costs associated with disciplinary/contested cases, and operating expenditures. It also pays statewide indirect costs through an open appropriation.

In addition to Board operations, licensure fees fund activities that support multiple boards and/or other agencies. Some of these are: The Administrative Services Unit (inter-board), Small Agency Resource Team (SmART), Health Professionals Services Program (inter-board), Office of the Attorney General for legal services, and the Criminal Background Check Program (inter-board).

## STRATEGIES

The Board of Occupational Therapy Practice promotes and protects the health and safety of the citizens of Minnesota, accomplishes its public protection mission, and contributes to statewide outcomes by:

- Issuing licenses to practice to only fully qualified individuals.
- Administering the license renewal process, ensuring statutory requirements are met.
- Educating stakeholders, licensees, potential licensees, educational programs, and the public.
- Responding to inquiries, complaints, and reports regarding applicants and licensees.
- Investigating and resolving complaints.
- Maintaining a comprehensive website that provides information for licensees, applicants, the public, and any other interested parties.
- Ensuring inquiries are managed in a timely and efficient manner.
- Conducting ongoing analysis of regulatory body best practice to ensure effective decision making.

## RESULTS

The information included below was generated using the Board’s licensure and regulatory database. The total number of licensees continues to increase annually.

<i>Type of Measure</i>	<i>Name of Measure</i>	<i>Previous</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Dates</i>
Quantity	Number of new licenses issued: Occupational Therapist	564	642	FY 2021 & FY 2022
	Occupational Therapy Assistants	182	165	
Quantity	Number of licensees renewing: Occupational Therapist	4,204	4,802	FY 2021 & FY 2022
	Occupational Therapy Assistants	1,247	1,232	

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The Board’s activities are primarily governed by Minnesota Statutes sections 148.6401 to 148.6449 (<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/148>) and Minnesota Statutes chapter 214 (<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=214>).

*(Dollars in Thousands)*

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast Base		Enacted Budget	
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY24	FY25
<b><u>Expenditures by Fund</u></b>								
1201 - Health Related Boards	335	403	367	545	456	456	480	480
2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue	11	14	14	14	14	14	14	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>559</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>494</b>	<b>494</b>
Biennial Change				177		0		48
Biennial % Change				23		(0)		5
Enacted Budget Change from Base								48
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								5

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## Agency Financing by Fund

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY20	Actual FY21	Actual FY22	Estimate FY23	Forecast Base FY24 FY25		Enacted Budget FY24 FY25	
<b>1201 - Health Related Boards</b>								
Balance Forward In		126		89				
Direct Appropriation	450	456	456	456	456	456	480	480
Cancellations		179						
Balance Forward Out	115		89					
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>480</b>
Biennial Change in Expenditures				174		0		48
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				24		0		5
Enacted Budget Change from Base								48
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								5

**2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue**

Balance Forward In	3	4	5	5	5	5	5	5
Receipts	13	15	14	14	14	14	14	14
Balance Forward Out	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>
Biennial Change in Expenditures				3		0		0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				12		(1)		(1)
Enacted Budget Change from Base								0
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								0

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25
<b><i>Direct</i></b>				
<b>Fund: 1201 - Health Related Boards</b>				
FY2023 Appropriations	456	456	456	912
Forecast Base	456	456	456	912
Change Items				
Maintain Current Service Levels		24	24	48
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>960</b>
<b><i>Dedicated</i></b>				
<b>Fund: 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue</b>				
Planned Spending	14	14	14	28
Forecast Base	14	14	14	28
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>28</b>
<b><i>Revenue Change Summary</i></b>				
<b><i>Dedicated</i></b>				
<b>Fund: 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue</b>				
Forecast Revenues	14	14	14	28
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>28</b>
<b><i>Non-Dedicated</i></b>				
<b>Fund: 1201 - Health Related Boards</b>				
Forecast Revenues	539	504	504	1,008
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>1,008</b>

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25	FY26	FY27	Biennium 2026-27
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Maintain Current Service Levels

This provision provides additional operating funds to maintain the current level of service delivery at the Board of Occupational Therapy.

1201 - Health Related Boards Fund Cost (Savings)	0	24	24	48	24	24	48
Expenditures	0	24	24	48	24	24	48