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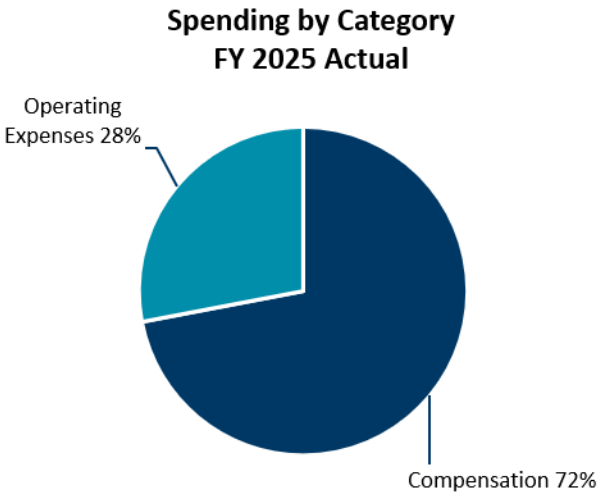
## AT A GLANCE

- 3,260 active Doctors of Chiropractic (DC)
- Registrations for licensees in Acupuncture, Animal Chiropractic, Independent Examination, Professional Firms, and a Graduate Preceptorship program
- 5 professional members (licensees of the board) and 2 public members
- 6 full-time employees

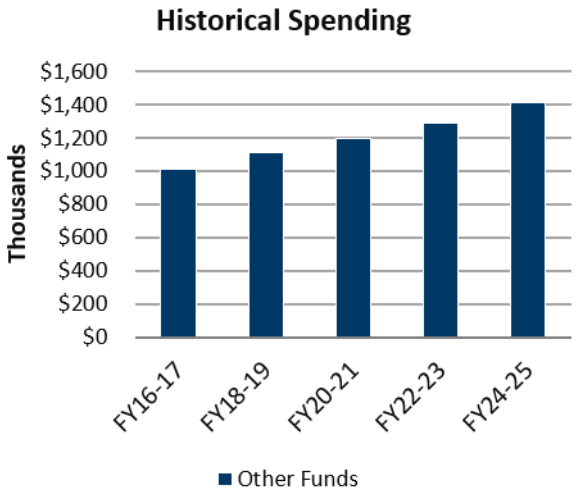
## PURPOSE

The mission of the Minnesota Board of Chiropractic Examiners (MBCE) is to protect the public through effective licensure and enforcement of the statutes and rules governing the practice of chiropractic to ensure a standard of competent and ethical practice in the profession.

## BUDGET




***Source: Budget Planning & Analysis System (BPAS)***




***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 the 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 (interboard), the Small Agency Resource Team (SmART), Health Professionals Services Program (interboard), Office of the Attorney General for legal services, and the Criminal Background Check Program (interboard).

## STRATEGIES

The Board protects the public and ensures the competency of Doctors of Chiropractic by:

- Reviewing applicants' education and credentials for licensure using Primary Source Verification
- 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
- 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 utilizes the 1) National Board of Chiropractic Examiners, which provides the necessary professional testing for licensure in Minnesota; 2) the Minnesota Attorney General's office as the attorney for the Board; and 3) The Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards, an information repository for chiropractic regulation across the United States, as well as internationally. This organization also provides a national database of disciplinary actions, assisting the Board in licensing and regulatory decisions.

## RESULTS

**Part A: Performance Data**

| Measure | Measure type | Measure data source | Historical trend | | | Most recent data |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Approved Applications** | | | **FY23** | **FY24** | **FY25** | **FY26** |
| Licensure | Quantity | Agency's Database | 120 | 132 | 98 | 91 |
| Registration | Quantity | | 80 | 93 | 90 | 77 |
| **Compliance** | | | **FY23** | **FY24** | **FY25** | **FY26** |
| Complaints Received | Quantity | Agency's Database | 64 | 110 | 119 | 124 |
| Violations | Quantity | | 25 | 29 | 19 | 28 |
| **Continuing Education** | | | **FY23** | **FY24** | **FY25** | **FY26** |
| Audits Completed | Quantity | Agency's Database | 3,174 | 3,037 | 3,075 | 3,100 |
| Audits Requiring Follow up | Quantity | | 238 | 620 | 434 | 503 |

**Part B: Evidence of Effectiveness**

The Board delivers services that have not yet been evaluated using randomized controlled trials or quasi-experimental methods. While the public protection functions of professional licensing boards are not typically subject to randomized controlled trials, substantial evidence supports the underlying theory that regulatory oversight reduces the risk of harm by establishing minimum qualifications, requiring continuing education, investigating complaints, and imposing corrective action when practitioners fail to meet professional standards.

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M.S. 148.01 to 148.108 https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/148 and M.R. 2500.0100 to 2500.7090 https://www.revisor.mn.gov/rules/2500.0100/provide legal authority to the MBCE.