

# Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board

## Role and Overview

The Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board (OTPTAT) was established to ensure that those who are licensed by the board meet certain minimum education and training criteria to safely practice occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic training in Ohio. The board monitors those licensees to ensure compliance with the laws in the Ohio Revised Code. The board’s annual budget of approximately \$893,000 supports a staff of 9 in addition to the 20 board members. OTPTAT has approximately 18,600 licensees. Additional information regarding the Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board is available at: <http://otptat.ohio.gov/>.



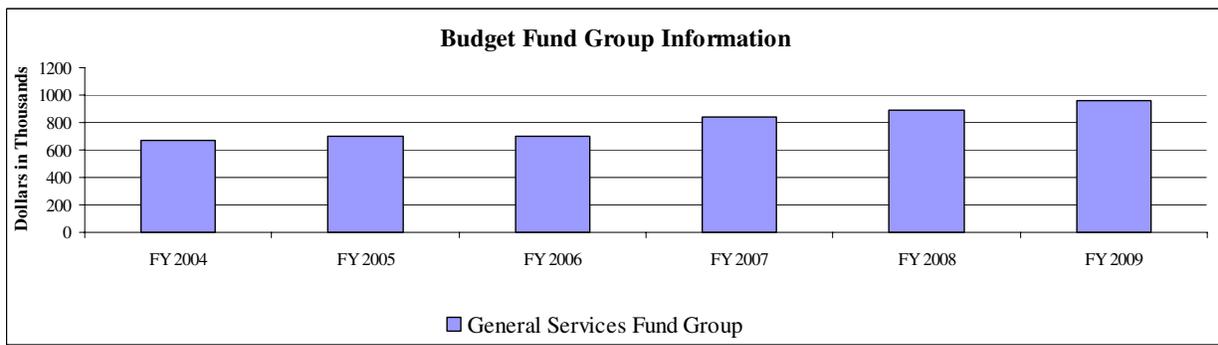
## Turnaround Ohio Initiatives

- Operate with a high level of transparency, responsiveness, and accountability to Ohio citizens and other customers.
- Work on identifying methods to educate licensees and the consumers of their services to increase access to high-quality health care services.

## Agency Priorities

- Examine ways to increase cultural competence of licensees to ensure that health care services are delivered in a manner that is aware of and respects different societal and cultural beliefs.
- Enhance procedures to ensure that licensees seeking to reenter the workforce after an extended period out of active practice can quickly return to practice in a manner that ensures that the individual is still able to practice competently.
- Increase awareness of the ability to use on-line technology to receive information from the board, including posting copies of the actual adjudication orders on the public license verification website.
- Protect the public health through regulation and education while promoting the integrity of the industry.
- Streamline the application process, including use of online applications, to allow qualified and competent applicants to enter the job market as soon as possible, including enhancing mechanisms to allow licensees to conduct business and pay for services online.

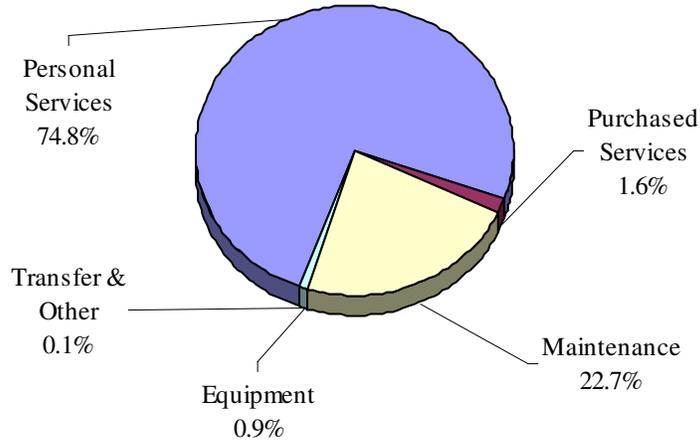
## Summary of Budget History and Recommendations



(In thousands) BUDGET FUND GROUP	ACTUAL			ESTIMATE	%	RECOMMENDED			
	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	CHANGE FY 06-07	FY 2008	CHANGE %	FY 2009	CHANGE %
General Services Fund Group	668	705	696	837	20.1	892	6.7	964	8.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>668</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>837</b>	<b>20.1</b>	<b>892</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>964</b>	<b>8.0</b>

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**FY 2008-09 Biennial Appropriation  
by Expense Category**



(In thousands) OBJECT OF EXPENSE	ACTUAL			ESTIMATE	% CHANGE	RECOMMENDED			
	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 06-07	FY 2008	CHANGE %	FY 2009	CHANGE %
Personal Services	477	540	541	656	21.1	675	2.9	714	5.8
Purchased Services	7	14	1	12	1,100.0	15	22.5	15	.0
Maintenance	165	150	150	167	11.4	202	21.0	219	8.1
Equipment	19	1	4	1	(75.9)	0	(100.0)	16	.0
Transfer & Other	1	0	0	1	66.7	1	.0	1	.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>668</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>837</b>	<b>20.1</b>	<b>892</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>964</b>	<b>8.0</b>

**PROGRAM SERIES 01: Regulation**

This program series ensures the health, safety, and general welfare of citizens of the state through oversight of the regulated profession.

**Program 01.01: Occupational Therapy**

This program includes the operations of regulating the occupational therapy profession, including issuing and renewing licenses, monitoring continuing education requirements, and investigating complaints filed with the board.

**The Executive Recommendation will:**

- Fund nine employees, travel reimbursement expenses for five Occupational Therapy Section members, and other costs of doing business such as rent and Department of Administrative Services fees;
- Maintain funding of the e-Licensing system, including development of an online license application;
- Fund purchase of replacement computers and software in fiscal year 2009;

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- Support the regulation of over 3,900 occupational therapists and 2,400 occupational therapy assistants, including the renewal of approximately 3,100 licensees per fiscal year and the issuance of approximately 200 initial licenses to occupational therapists and 160 initial licenses to occupational therapy assistants; and
- Finance board enforcement activities, including investigating approximately 20 complaints per year and conducting administrative hearings resulting in the discipline of approximately ten licensees per year.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2008	FY 2009
GSF	4K9	890-609	Operating Expenses	303,361	327,755
<b>TOTAL FOR PROGRAM</b>				<b>303,361</b>	<b>327,755</b>

### Program 01.02: Physical Therapy

This program includes the operations of regulating the physical therapy profession including issuing and renewing licenses, monitoring continuing education requirements, and investigating complaints filed with the board.

#### The Executive Recommendation will:

- Fund nine employees, travel reimbursement expenses for nine Physical Therapy Section members, and other costs of doing business such as rent and Department of Administrative Services fees;
- Maintain funding of the e-Licensing system, including development of an online license application;
- Fund purchase of replacement computers and software in fiscal year 2009;
- Support the regulation of over 6,500 physical therapists and 4,600 physical therapist assistants, including the renewal of approximately 5,600 licensees per fiscal year and the issuance of approximately 300 initial licenses to physical therapists and 280 initial licenses to physical therapist assistants; and
- Finance board enforcement activities, including investigating approximately 35 complaints per year and conducting administrative hearings resulting in the discipline of approximately 15 licensees per year.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2008	FY 2009
GSF	4K9	890-609	Operating Expenses	508,578	549,470
<b>TOTAL FOR PROGRAM</b>				<b>508,578</b>	<b>549,470</b>

### Program 01.03: Athletic Trainers Board

This program includes the operations of regulating the athletic training profession including issuing and renewing licenses, monitoring continuing education requirements, and investigating complaints filed with the board.

#### The Executive Recommendation will:

- Fund nine employees, travel reimbursement expenses for five Athletic Trainers Section members, and other costs of doing business such as rent and Department of Administrative Services fees;
- Maintain funding of the e-Licensing system, including development of an online license application;
- Fund purchase of replacement computers and software in fiscal year 2009;
- Support the regulation of over 1,700 athletic trainers, including the renewal of approximately 850 licensees per fiscal year and the issuance of approximately 160 initial licenses to athletic trainers; and
- Finance board enforcement activities, including investigating approximately 25 complaints per year and conducting administrative hearings resulting in the discipline of approximately ten licensees per year.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2008	FY 2009
GSF	4K9	890-609	Operating Expenses	80,302	86,759
<b>TOTAL FOR PROGRAM</b>				<b>80,302</b>	<b>86,759</b>

## LINE ITEM SUMMARY - Occupational & Physical Therapy & Athletic Trainers

FUND	ALI	ALI TITLE	FY 2004 ACTUAL	FY 2005 ACTUAL	FY 2006 ACTUAL	FY 2007 ESTIMATE	FY 2008 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE	FY 2009 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE
4K9	890-609	Operating Expenses	668,185	705,273	696,365	836,573	892,241	6.7	963,984	8.0
<b>TOTAL General Services Fund Group</b>			<b>668,185</b>	<b>705,273</b>	<b>696,365</b>	<b>836,573</b>	<b>892,241</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>963,984</b>	<b>8.0</b>
<b>TOTAL OCCUPATIONAL &amp; PHYS THERAPY BD</b>			<b>668,185</b>	<b>705,273</b>	<b>696,365</b>	<b>836,573</b>	<b>892,241</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>963,984</b>	<b>8.0</b>