

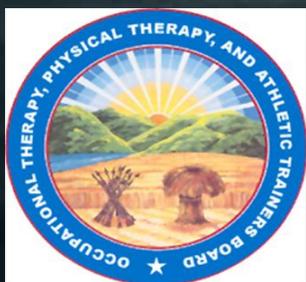
ANNUAL REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2019

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Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical
Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board

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The Honorable Mike DeWine
Governor of Ohio
77 South High Street
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Dear Governor DeWine:

In compliance with Ohio Revised Code Section 149.01, please find the Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers (OTPTAT) Board Fiscal Year 2019 Annual Report.

The OTPTAT Board's mission is centered on the public protection of the people of Ohio. To meet that end, the Board and its staff work hard to enforce the requirements of the Ohio Revised and Administrative Codes in as efficient and responsive a manner as possible.

Each Section of the Board - occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic trainers - meets bi-monthly, for a total of at least six times per year. In addition, the Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Pedorthics Advisory Council met four times to advise the Board on matters related to the OPP licenses.

This year, the Board had a focus on several initiatives, including:

- Completing overdue five-year rule review
- Streamlining the licensure process by eliminating unnecessary steps
- Making better use of the capabilities of the Ohio eLicense system to enhance services to the license population, such as facilitating electronic license display
- Eliminating the use of an escrow status for occupational therapy licenses, reducing confusion for license holders interested in being out of practice for a time
- Streamlining the examination registration and licensure process for new physical therapist and physical therapist assistant program graduates
- Evaluating the impact of changing to a master's degree requirement for athletic trainer programs on licensure
- Finishing the integration of orthotics, prosthetics, and pedorthics licenses into the OTPTAT Board framework

The Board looks forward to continuing the important work of public protection in Fiscal Year 2020. Thank you for your review of the OTPTAT Board Annual Report.

Melissa Anthony, MPA
Executive Director

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About the Board

Mission

The mission of the Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board is to actively promote and protect the health of Ohioans through effective regulation of the professions of occupational therapy, physical therapy, athletic training, orthotics, prosthetics, and pedorthics.

Goals

- Ensure that individuals practicing occupational therapy, physical therapy, athletic training, orthotics prosthetics, and pedorthics meet sufficient standards of education, training, competence, and ethics, as defined in the laws and rules governing the profession.
- Investigate and discipline licensees whose practice falls below the minimal standards of care.
- Define and advocate for standards of safe OT, PT, AT, OPP practice and ensure that the laws and rules governing the practice accurately reflect current standards.
- Provide information about the licensees of the OTPTAT Board, the Board's functions and operations, and the laws governing the practice of OT, PT, AT, and OPP.
- Achieve and maintain the highest possible levels of organizational efficiency.

History

In 1976, the 111th General Assembly established the Ohio Occupational Therapy Board for the purpose of licensing and regulating occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants within Ohio. Chapter 4755. of the Ohio Revised Code was amended in 1977 creating the Ohio Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy Board. Prior to 1977, the Medical Board regulated physical therapists. Physical therapist assistants were also included in the 1977 legislation, which established the Physical Therapy Section. With the enactment of Senate Bill 80 in 1990, Chapter 4755. of the Ohio Revised Code was again amended to include the Athletic Trainers Section, thus creating the Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board. Finally, with House Bill 49 of the 132nd General Assembly, the board took on oversight of orthotics, prosthetics, and pedorthics in 2018. These professions are governed by Chapter 4779 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Duties of the Board

The Ohio Revised Code authorizes the Board to license practitioners of physical therapy, occupational therapy, athletic training, orthotics, prosthetics, and pedorthics either through examination or reciprocity. The licensure process involves evaluating the applicant's credentials and formal education, implementing testing procedures, and conducting hearings, if needed. The Board is also empowered to investigate complaints and concerns relative to alleged violations of Chapters 4755 and 4779. of the Ohio Revised Code, which can result in the suspension or revocation of a license, or the refusal to issue or renew a license. In addition, the Board is permitted to subpoena witnesses in connection with investigations, make applications to courts when appropriate, and issue injunctions, restraining orders, or other actions, as may be appropriate and granted by a court. These essential functions are accomplished by a team of 9.5 FTEs and payroll drives the bulk of the agency's budget.

Financial Summary

Revenues and Expenditures

Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainer Board operations are supported solely through revenue generated from licensure fees. All revenue is deposited into the state Occupational and Professional Licensing Fund (4K90), which is shared by most of the licensing boards in the state. The Board's revenues consistently exceed expenditures.

<u>Revenues</u>	
Licensure fees	\$1,452,015.00
Fines and penalties	\$6,479.38
Total	\$1,458,494.38
<u>Expenditures</u>	
500 - salary and benefits	\$659,144.03
510 - purchased services	\$8,546.37
520 - supplies, maintenance, rent, travel and expense, etc.	\$276,595.73
530 - computers	\$1,394.00
590 - refund	\$25.00
Total	\$945,705.13
<u>Appropriation</u>	
Fiscal Year 2019	\$1,059,477.00

Fees

Category	Fee	Category	Fee
OT/OTA Application	\$100	OT/OTA Renewal	\$70
OT/OTA Reinstatement Application	\$100	OT/OTA License Verification	\$15
PT/PTA Application	\$100	PT/PTA Renewal	\$70
PT/PTA Reinstatement Application	\$100	PT/PTA License Verification	\$15
AT Application	\$100	AT Reinstatement Application	\$100
AT Renewal	\$70	AT CE Approval	\$25
AT License Verification	\$15	Duplicate Wall Certificate	\$10
OPP Application	\$100	OPP renewal	\$70
OPP Reinstatement Application	\$100	OPP License verification	\$15
OPP License Consolidation/Upgrade	\$50	OPP CE Approval	\$25
OT/OTA CE Approval	\$25		

Board Members and Staff

Athletic Trainers Section

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Term</u>
Trevor Bates, AT, DHSc, Chair	Sylvania	2020	1st
Jason Dapore, DO, Secretary	Columbus	2019	3rd
Hollie Kozak, M.Ed, AT	Willoughby	2019	1st
Gary Lake, AT, M. Ed	Wadsworth	2021	1st
Jeff Sczpanski, AT, M.Ed.	Galloway	2020	1st

Occupational Therapy Section

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Term</u>
Beth Ann Ball, OT, MS, OTR/L	Worthington	2021	3rd
Joanne Phillips Estes, OT, Ph.D, Secretary	Cincinnati	2019	1st
Mary Lavey, OTA, COTA	Fremont	2021	3rd
Anissa Siefert, MOT, OTR/L, Chair	New Washington	2019	1st
Melissa Van Allen, OT, OTR/L	Columbus	2020	1st

Physical Therapy Section

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Term</u>
Lynn Busdeker, PT, DPT	Tiffin	2020	3rd
Anthony Ganim, PT, OCS, MBA	Hilliard	2021	1st
Erin Hofmeyer, PT, DPT, Chair	Cleves	2020	2nd
Ronald Kleinman, PT	Fairlawn	2020	3rd
Timothy McIntire, PT, DPT	Washington Twp	2020	2nd
Karen McIntyre, PT, DPT	Avon	2021	1st
C.J. Miller, PT, AT	Marengo	2019	2nd
Linda Pax Lowes, PT, Ph.D	Columbus	2021	1st
Jennifer Wissinger, PT, DPT, Secretary	Pataskala	2019	2nd

Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Pedorthics Advisory Council

<u>Advisory Council Members</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>Term</u>
Tamara Daulton, LPED, Secretary	Batavia	2019	1st
Jeffrey Hagman, LP	Shaker Heights	2019	1st
Derek Kinsella, LPO	Lancaster	2021	2nd
Brian Weaver, LPO, Chairman	Grove City	2020	1st
Don Weldon, LO	Canfield	2020	1st

Staff

Melissa Anthony, MPA Executive Director
 Carlton Jones Office Professional

Licensing Coordinators:

Rosa Avery
 Debra Fulk
 Thanh Mai Vo

Enforcement Division:

Jeffery Duvall Enforcement Division Supervisor
 Jennifer Adams Enforcement Division Investigator

Enforcement and Discipline Statistics

	Occupational Therapy	Physical Therapy	Athletic Trainers	Orthotics, Prosthetics, Pedorthics	Total
Investigations Initiated of Potential Violations of the Practice Act	59	100	26	1	186
Consent Agreements	8	8	2	0	18
Reprimands	1	2	0	0	3
Fines	2	2	0	0	4
On-going Monitoring	5	8	0	0	13
Probation	5	4	0	0	9
Suspension	2	2	0	0	4
Disciplinary License Surrender/Revocation	3	0	2	0	5
R.C. 119. Hearings	2	4	0	0	6
Permanent Revocation	0	0	0	0	0
Suspension or Probation	0	0	0	0	0
Application Denial	1	0	0	0	1
No Disciplinary Action Taken	0	1	0	0	1
Evidentiary Reviews in Lieu of R.C. 119. Hearing	1	3	3	0	7
Revocation	1	0	0	0	1
Suspension	0	0	0	0	0
Fine and Written Reprimand	0	2	0	0	2
Application Denial	0	1	3	0	4
No Disciplinary Action Taken	38	79	16	0	133
Cease and Desist Orders	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Disciplinary Resolutions	30	69	17	0	99
No Violations Found	8	8	10	1	27
Cases Not Yet Resolved	13	29	0	0	42

License Activity

Type of License	FY 2019 Active	FY 2019 New
Occupational Therapist	6,205	445
Occupational Therapy Assistant	4,985	287
Physical Therapist	10,493	581
Physical Therapist Assistant	8,477	484
Athletic Trainer	2,903	319
Orthotist	72	5
Pedorthist	77	2
Prosthetist	61	1
Prosthetist - Orthotist	133	11
Temporary Orthotist	2	2
Temporary Pedorthist	1	1
Temporary Prosthetist	3	4
Temporary Prosthetist - Orthotist	1	1

Administrative Rules

The Board processed approximately 90 rules in Fiscal Year 2019 after review via a public hearing, stakeholder input, Common Sense Initiative, and Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review. For more information on the rule-making process, visit <https://otptat.ohio.gov/Rules-Updates>.