

## Board of Occupational Therapy

### Wyoming Quality of Life Result:

Wyoming families and individuals live in a stable, safe, supportive, nurturing, healthy environment.  
Wyoming state government is a responsible steward of state assets and effectively responds to the needs of residents and guests.

### Department/Division/Program: Board of Occupational Therapy

#### Contribution to Wyoming Quality of Life:

The Board of Occupational Therapy provides public protection and enhances quality of life for Wyoming residents. This accomplished by enforcing rules and regulations that assure that therapists practicing Occupational Therapy in the state of Wyoming are required to meet minimum standards of qualification prior to services being provided. In addition, to maintain on-going licensure, the board requires verification of meaningful continuing education hours be provided by each licensee.

#### Basic Facts:

Board Members: 5

Total Staff: 1 part-time employee

General Funds: -0- All funds are generated through license fees

2006 Expenditures: \$30,326

Number of License Holders: 307

Board Priorities:

1. Issue licenses to qualified applicants.
2. Process complaints and disciplinary actions.
3. Review continuing education hours for quality of renewed licensees.
4. Provide timely information to licensees and the public.

#### Performance:

Performance has remained level.

#### Story Behind the Last Year of Performance:

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The board continues to strive to provide cost effective services to process license applications in a timely manner. Applications materials are available on our website, and upon request may be provided via both fax and mail.

The board also continues to resolve complaints and disciplinary actions utilizing the services and timeline dictated by the Attorney General's Office.

**What has been Accomplished?**

Currently the board is able to process a complete application file in an average of three business days. This allows for an applicant's prompt availability to the Wyoming work force, which is beneficial for the applicant as well as for those seeking occupational therapy services.

License verification information is available on our website, but the Board is currently experiencing a longer and longer lag time from the time updates are made to the data base, and the availability of the information online. This is due to the fact that the board currently does not have access to update the data base on our own. The Board is in the process of researching the cost of setting up the data so that daily updates are processed by board staff.

**Supplemental Budget Implications:**

Not Applicable