

# Occupational Therapy Licensing Board

## 2023-2025 Governor's Recommended Budget

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## Agency Mission:

Protect the public by supervising Occupational Therapy practice and to assure safe and ethical delivery of Occupational Therapy services.

## Program Objectives:

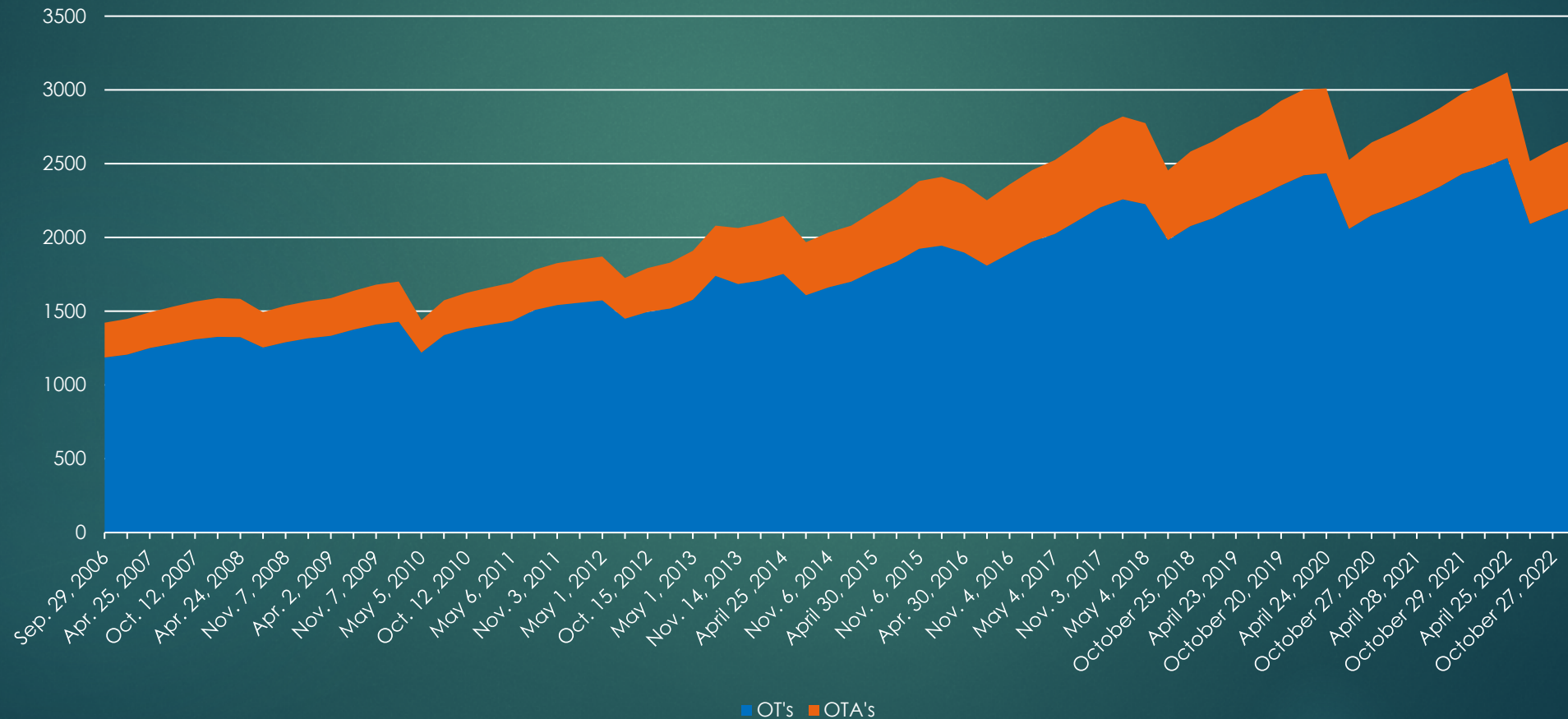
Licensure of Occupational Therapists and Occupational Therapy Assistants within 3 days of receiving all required documentation.

Investigate complaints and take appropriate action.

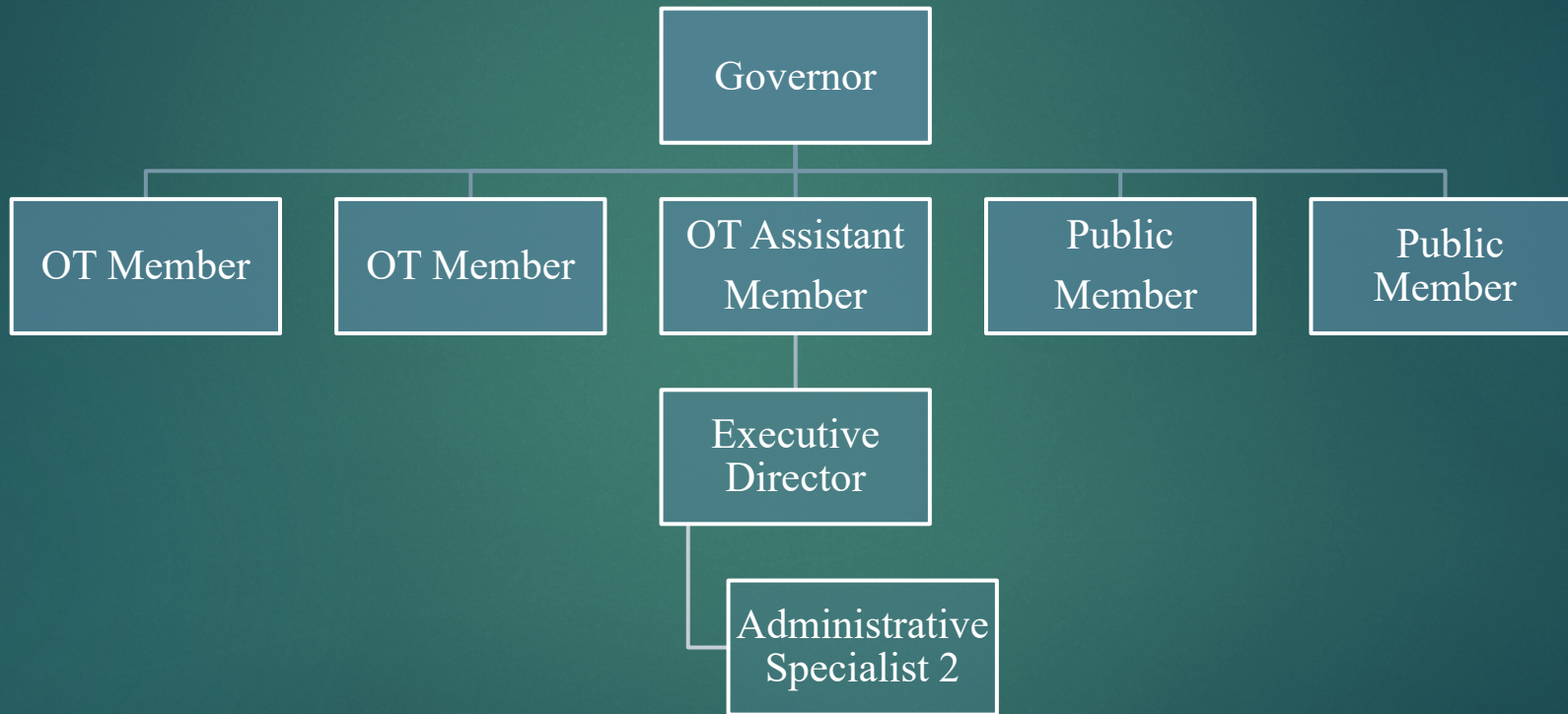
# Licensee Count: 2,685

OT's 2,225 OTA's: 460

Licensee Totals  
2006-2023



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# About the Board

- ▶ Discipline cases - Increasing
- ▶ New Licensing system – 2020
- ▶ New Educational programs in 2023-24

# New OT Educational Programs

- ▶ **Western University of Health Sciences** – OTD program, Lebanon, OR. Starting July 2023. Targeting 60 students but starting with 45. The location in Lebanon was chosen to address the needs for OTs in rural settings.
- ▶ **Western Oregon University** – OTD program, Salem, OR. Starting Sept. 2024. Targeting 40 students but plan to start with 35. The first public university offering an OT program in Oregon.
- ▶ **George Fox University** – Masters program, Newberg, OR. The proposed launch will occur in the fall of 2024.

# About the Board

- ▶ Public Protection
  - ▶ Applicants - Fingerprint Background checks
  - ▶ Licensees – LEDS checks prior to every Renewal
- ▶ Education of Licensees
  - ▶ Quarterly E-Newsletter
  - ▶ Website
  - ▶ Annual Presentations to Students
  - ▶ Law/Ethics exam
  - ▶ Annual Presentation at Association Meeting

# Key Performance Measures (KPMs)

- ▶ Key Performance 1: Timely Licensing: Over 98% issued within 3 days of receipt of required documents.
- ▶ Key Performance 2: Timely resolution of complaints: 100% within 120 days. Cases investigated upon receipt of the complaint and reviewed at each quarterly Board meeting.
- ▶ Key Performance 3: Customer satisfaction: Customer service is at a high level. Over 98% ratings received of good or excellent. Comments provided anonymously and reviewed by the Board annually to improve current services.
- ▶ Key Performance 4: Board follows best practices: 100%. Reviewed and measured annually.



# 2023-2025 OTLB Budget

- ▶ 100% Other Funds
- ▶ 9 months of Ending Balance
- ▶ Budget drivers – Rent (almost doubled), Financial Services (tripled), No growth in renewal numbers.
- ▶ POP - Reduce FTE of AS2 from .65 to .5. (Position was never actually increased although there was legislative approval to do so in 2019.)
- ▶ POP - Reduce Services and Supplies (In-state Travel, Office Supplies)
- ▶ POP - Fee Increase

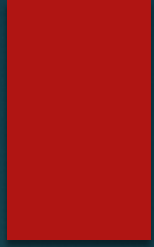
# Agency Proposed Legislation

## Proposed Fee increase

- ▶ OT Renewal: \$200 to \$240
- ▶ OTA Renewal: \$140 to \$160
- ▶ OT 1 year application: \$120 to \$160
- ▶ OTA 1 year application: \$90 to \$130

# Reduction Options

- ▶ Reduce FTE of AS2 from .65 to .5. (Position was never actually increased although there was legislative approval to do so in 2019.) (\$31,804)
- ▶ Reduce Instate Travel (\$5,000)
- ▶ Reduce Office Supplies (\$5,000)



Thank you!