

0645 – HEALTH DEPARTMENT - LICENSING AND REGULATION BOARDS
FISCAL YEAR 2026
AS ENACTED BY ACT 378 OF 2025

The Arkansas Department of Health (ADH) is the state agency charged with the responsibility of protecting and improving the health of the people of Arkansas by: assessment of health status and needs, leadership for the development of public health policy and plans, promotion of community-based system of preventive and primary health care, enforcement of regulations for environmental health protection and assurance of quality health care, and provision of quality health services. It is funded with federal funds, general revenue, third party reimbursements, fund balances, special revenues derived from fees and fines, Tobacco Settlement funds and other various revenues. The Department is also responsible for administering the Office of Health Information Technology, the state's Trauma System, and the Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Program. The Department also includes 19 medically related Boards and Commissions.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

Appropriation		2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
		Actual	Authorized	Legislative
Z70	Board of Acupuncture - Treasury Cash	\$1,498	\$11,000	\$11,000
85U	Alcoholism & Drug Abuse Counselors Board - Treasury Cash	\$11,568	\$31,966	\$31,966
97K	State Board of Athletic Training - Treasury Cash - Operations	\$1,253	\$20,517	\$20,517
85F	State Board of Chiropractic Examiners - Operations	\$103,205	\$201,968	\$202,630
U80	Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners - Cash in State Treasury	\$266,494	\$366,887	\$372,734
4KR	Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board - Operations	\$65,631	\$41,714	\$71,035
2KN	Dispensing Opticians	\$48,803	\$70,968	\$93,993
1GE	AR Bd of Examiners in Counseling - Operations	\$373,660	\$446,288	\$454,415
Y92	Arkansas Board of Hearing Instrument Dispensers - Cash in Treasury - Operations	\$23,242	\$50,678	\$50,678
A23	Arkansas State Medical Board - Operations	\$2,994,982	\$3,609,989	\$3,529,492
286	Arkansas State Board of Nursing - Operations	\$3,288,032	\$3,555,938	\$3,765,025
58J	Arkansas State Board of Nursing - Scholar Loans	\$77,750	\$100,000	\$100,000
2MA	Arkansas State Board. of Nursing - Nursing Education Workshops	\$0	\$16,325	\$16,325
V35	Arkansas State Board of Nursing - Arkansas Center for Nursing Grant	\$172,625	\$173,000	\$173,000
Z66	State Board of Optometry – Cash in Treasury	\$144,473	\$186,682	\$218,432
860	Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy - Treasury	\$2,230,314	\$2,214,982	\$2,321,252
V34	Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy - Pharmacy Student Loans & Scholarships	\$0	\$400,000	\$400,000
Z75	Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy - Operations	\$159,067	\$246,280	\$259,141
BG7	Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy - Scholarship Program	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000
X11	Arkansas Board of Podiatric Medicine - Treasury	\$3,950	\$6,240	\$6,240

M82	Arkansas Psychology Board – Treasury Cash Operations	\$164,760	\$213,641	\$219,334
BG8	Psychology Board Scholarship Program	\$0	\$150,000	\$150,000
2KZ	Arkansas Social Work Licensing Board	\$146,214	\$218,757	\$219,417
97J	Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology - Operations	\$133,674	\$152,505	\$216,978
096	Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission - State Operations - Long Term Attendant Care	\$2,354,851	\$2,968,522	\$3,012,126
187	Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission - Federal Operations	\$0	\$28,000	\$28,000
864	Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission – Cash Operations	\$1,103	\$50,000	\$50,000
Total		\$12,967,149	\$15,751,553	\$16,143,730

FUNDING SOURCES

Funding Sources		2023-2024 Actual	%
General Revenue	4000010	\$2,259,641	0.27
Federal Revenue	4000020	\$98,354	0.19
Fund Balance	4000005	\$39,184,744	74.96
Cash Fund	4000045	\$6,255,699	11.97
Special Revenue	4000030	\$3,910,234	7.48
Interest	4000300	\$8,561	0.16
Inter-agency Fund Transfer	4000316	\$553,059	1.05
Private Donations	4000380	\$3,000	0.005
Rebates	4000412	\$653	0.0
Total Funds		\$52,273,945	

CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS

*Change levels in salary and match line items are due to adjustments for employees as authorized by law.

Dental Examiners-Cash in State Treasury (Appropriation U80)

Commitment Item		2024-2025	2025-2026	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5020002	Operating Expenses	\$114,637	\$119,637	\$5,000
5110014	Refunds/Reimbursements	\$5,000	\$0	(\$5,000)
Total		\$317,595	\$323,442	\$5,847

- Reallocation of \$5,000 of appropriation from Refunds/Reimbursements to Operating Expenses.

POSITIONS

Total Authorized Positions FY2026: 119

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Increase / (Decrease): 1

Extra Help Positions FY2026: 14

SPECIAL LANGUAGE REVISIONS

Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners, Arkansas State Medical Board, State Board of Optometry - Employment of Attorneys is deleted due to codification of the requirements of the language during the 2024 Fiscal Session.

NEW Transfer of Funds language added requiring the Arkansas State Medical Board to transfer \$500,000 (or so much as is available) annually from the unobligated and unallocated monies remaining in their cash funds, to the Department of Education - Division of Higher Education's Graduate Medical Education Fund to be used exclusively for the Graduate Medical Education Residency Expansion Board appropriation.