

- Newly created Board will work to establish rules and transition licensure procedures from the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services

Chemical Dependency Professionals Board

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ROLE

Am. Sub H.B. 496 of the 124th General Assembly created the Chemical Dependency Professionals Board. The Board's main purpose is to license chemical dependency counselors and certify alcohol and drug abuse prevention specialists. Am. Sub. S.B. 172 of the 123rd General Assembly delegated responsibility of certifying and credentialing chemical dependency counselors and drug abuse prevention specialists to the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services (ODADAS). The bill included a sunset date of July 1, 2002. According to ODADAS, the termination date was included because from the outset ODADAS' acquisition of the credentialing function was viewed only as a temporary solution. Therefore, the Department will continue to receive fee revenue and incur the costs associated with certifying and credentialing in FY 2004 until the newly created Board assumes these responsibilities.

Under the budget act, the Chemical Dependency Professionals Board will join the Occupational Licensing and Regulatory Board Fund (Fund 4K9).

Agency In Brief					
Number of Employees*	Total Appropriations-All Funds		GRF Appropriations		Appropriation Bill(s)
	2004	2005	2004	2005	
17	\$225,000	\$450,000	\$0	\$0	Am. Sub. H.B. 95

*Employee head count is an estimate from the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services. Of the 17, 12 are Board members.

OVERVIEW AND BUDGET ISSUES

According to ODADAS, the Chemical Dependency Professionals Board will spend the first four to six months of FY 2004 transitioning licensure and credentialing responsibilities. The Board has named its Board members and has filled four staff positions. The Board is searching for an executive director. The Department estimates that the Board will hire an executive director in the first four months of FY 2004 making the total FTE and head count five. The Board has developed rules and hopes to get them approved by the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review in the near future. After rules are approved, the Board will relocate from office space it is occupying at ODADAS, to its own office space located nearby. 🏢

FY 2004 - 2005 Final Appropriation Amounts

All Fund Group

<i>Line Item Detail by Agency</i>	<i>FY 2001:</i>	<i>FY 2002:</i>	<i>FY 2003:</i>	<i>FY 2004 Appropriations:</i>	<i>% Change 2003 to 2004:</i>	<i>FY 2005 Appropriations:</i>	<i>% Change 2004 to 2005:</i>
Report For: Main Operating Appropriations Bill		Version: Enacted					
CDP Chemical Dependency Professionals Board							
4K9 930-609 Operating Expenses	----	----	\$0	\$ 225,000	N/A	\$ 450,000	100.00%
General Services Fund Group Total	----	----	\$ 0	\$ 225,000	N/A	\$ 450,000	100.00%
Chemical Dependency Professionals Board Total	----	----	\$ 0	\$ 225,000	N/A	\$ 450,000	100.00%