

# Ohio Board of Dietetics

- In the upcoming biennium, the Board will begin developing an online licensing application

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## OVERVIEW

### Duties and Responsibilities

The Ohio Board of Dietetics, created in 1987, protects and regulates the practice of dietetics in Ohio. The Board regulates nutrition and dietetics practice to protect the public from harmful, incompetent, or negligent nutritional practices. In addition, the Board establishes educational, pre-professional training, and examination standards, and issues licenses and limited permits for dietitians who seek to practice in Ohio. The Board also sets standards of practice for dietitians, investigates complaints, holds administrative hearings, determines appropriate disciplinary actions, and monitors continuing education compliance among licensees. The Board consists of five members and has three full-time employees. The Board issues two types of licenses: dietitian and limited permit dietitian.

### Fund 4K9

The Ohio Board of Dietetics is part of Fund 4K9 (Occupational Licensing and Regulatory Fund), a General Services Fund. The fund is a repository for license fees and other assessments collected by the state's professional and occupational licensing boards. The philosophy of the fund is that each board must generate enough revenues to cover its expenses. Some boards develop a surplus to cover unforeseen economic hardships.

### Operational Changes

The Board, in partnership with the Department of Administrative Services, implemented a web-based multi-board online licensing system in FY 2005. The Board plans to expand system utilization to manage supervision, enforcement, continuing education information, and add online renewal functions to decrease administrative costs. The Board also plans to purchase computer hardware during the biennium.

### The Budget

The budget will allow the Board to continue its regulatory duties and includes funding to cover an increase in online license renewal costs the Board will incur during the biennium.

## Agency in Brief

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Number of Employees*	Total Appropriations-All Funds		GRF Appropriations		Appropriation Bill(s)
	2008	2009	2008	2009	
3	\$342,501	\$348,964	\$0	\$0	Am. Sub. H.B. 119

\*Employee count obtained from the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) payroll reports as of June 2007.

## ANALYSIS OF THE BUDGET

### Single Program Series

### Operating Expenses

**Purpose:** License and regulate the practice of dietetics

The following table shows the line items that are used to fund the Board of Dietetics, as well as the enacted funding levels.

Fund	ALI	Title	FY 2008	FY 2009
<b>General Services Fund</b>				
4K9	860-609	Operating Expenses	\$342,501	\$348,964
<b>General Services Fund Subtotal</b>			<b>\$342,501</b>	<b>\$348,964</b>
<b>Total Funding: Ohio Board of Dietetics</b>			<b>\$342,501</b>	<b>\$348,964</b>

**Program Description:** In accordance with Chapter 4759. of the Revised Code, the Ohio Board of Dietetics protects the health and safety of Ohio citizens by regulating the practice of dietetics by setting and enforcing the standards of practice through annual licensure requirements, and investigating complaints against unlawful dietetic practices.

**Funding Source:** GSF Fund 4K9 – license fees and other assessments

**Implication of the Budget:** The enacted budget includes an increase in line item 860-609, Operating Expenses, (\$12,181 in FY 2008 and \$3,518 in FY 2009). The increase incorporates an increase in online license renewal costs for the biennium.

**FY 2008 - 2009 Final Appropriation Amounts**

**All Fund Groups**

<i>Line Item Detail by Agency</i>	<i>FY 2005:</i>	<i>FY 2006:</i>	<i>FY 2007 Adj. Appropriations:</i>	<i>FY 2008 Appropriations:</i>	<i>% Change 2007 to 2008:</i>	<i>FY 2009 Appropriations:</i>	<i>% Change 2008 to 2009:</i>
<b>Report For: Main Operating Appropriations Bill</b>		<b>Version: Enacted</b>					
<b><i>OBD Dietetics, Board of</i></b>							
4K9 860-609 Operating Expenses	\$ 299,744	\$ 306,208	\$ 330,320	\$ 342,501	3.69%	\$ 348,964	1.89%
<b>General Services Fund Group Total</b>	<b>\$ 299,744</b>	<b>\$ 306,208</b>	<b>\$ 330,320</b>	<b>\$ 342,501</b>	<b>3.69%</b>	<b>\$ 348,964</b>	<b>1.89%</b>
<b><i>Dietetics, Board of Total</i></b>	<b>\$ 299,744</b>	<b>\$ 306,208</b>	<b>\$ 330,320</b>	<b>\$ 342,501</b>	<b>3.69%</b>	<b>\$ 348,964</b>	<b>1.89%</b>