



ALABAMA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

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Update from the Board December 16, 2022

FY 2023 Financial Info

Revenue	\$33,670.00
Expenditures	\$33,372.92
Fund Balance	\$39,397.39

Please remember the fee increase approved at the last meeting will not take effect until January 1, 2023 -

<https://almtbd.alabama.gov/PDF/2022/MASFeesEff1.1.23.pdf>. The one proposed fee that did not increase and is remaining the same is the massage therapy establishment renewal fee. It will continue to be \$50 to renew an establishment license.

Any licenses that are expired and eligible to be renewed can be renewed with the current fees through December 31, 2022. The new fees are set to change online effective January 1, 2023.

The Board is pleased to announce a new Investigator, Karen Entrenkin. She has worked for four other state boards as an investigator and is a retired United State Probation Officer. The Board chose a female to assist with investigating female victim complaints to provide more comfort during the interviews and obtaining sensitive details. We look forward to add Karen to our team of investigators and inspectors.

The Office of Information Technology (OIT) is currently working on a new website for the Board as well as continues to update the current site. We just added the ability to request and pay for duplicate license certificates, license verifications and license rosters online. This will expedite those requests and eliminate the need to mail in checks and money orders to the office.

FY 2022 - Final

Complaints	79
Fines Collected	\$94,350
Inspections	263

FY 2023 – Beginning October 1, 2022 thru today

Complaints	37
Fines Collected	\$1,000
Inspections	85

The Board appointed a Rules Committee during its last meeting and will be working on revising and updating the rules in accordance with the law changes. Administrative Rules coincide with your Law to provide more detail for procedures and requirements of licensure and regulation of the profession. The Rules Committee will prepare a draft to be reviewed by the Board's General Counsel and then for the full Board to review. Once the final version is ready, the Board will vote on the rule changes at a Board Meeting and the Executive Director will submit the changes to the Legislative Services Agency to be advertised for public comment, this is a 35 day period. The Rule Changes will also be posted on the Board's website and all licensees will receive a notice that the proposed changes are on the website along with instructions on submitted comments both in writing and in person at the next Board meeting. The comments are reviewed by the Board and Legal Counsel along

with a Public Hearing prior to the Board conducting the final approval. Once the final approval of the rules has been voted on by the full board, they are then submitted to Legislative Services Agency again for final review by them and the Legislative Council and the certification process is 45 day period. You can submit any questions about this process directly to me, keith@alstateboard.com, and you can also review the LSA Monthly Manual at www.alabamaadministrativecode.state.al.us.

The fees for Massage Therapy Schools and Instructors will not be implemented until the rules are finalized and massage therapy schools renew in the fall of 2023. The requirements for massage therapy instructors will be part of the rules changes that are forthcoming so there will be plenty notice prior to the implementation of new and renewal requirements.

We wish you all a Very Merry Christmas from all of us here at the Board office and hope you have a wonderful time with family and friends as we enter a New and Prosperous 2023! (Board Member Calendar Below)

Board Meeting Schedule

All Board Meetings are held at the Board's office:

2777 Zelda Road
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Meetings begin at 10:00 A.M.

2023

January 20, 2023

April 28, 2023

July 28, 2023

October 27, 2023

PLEASE NOTE: Dates are subject to change.

Please check the Board's website about any change in meeting dates.

When planning to attend the meeting, please contact the Board's office, in advance of the meeting, about any safety guidelines or restrictions.