

## Part 1 – Agency Profile

### Agency Overview:

The Idaho Board of Pharmacy's charge is to promote, preserve and protect the health, safety and welfare of the public by and through the effective control and regulation of the practice of pharmacy. The agency is governed by a five member board appointed by the Governor consisting of four pharmacists and one public member who in turn employ an executive director to manage the everyday operations of the agency. The board has a staff of twelve persons with the main office located in Boise. We have one compliance officer located in North Idaho, one in East Idaho and one in South Idaho. Our Chief Compliance Officer is located in Boise. We also employ a Chief Controlled Substance Investigator responsible for our Prescription Monitoring Program and investigations concerning controlled substances.

The key divisions of the board include compliance, regulation, licensing, customer service and controlled substance authority. The majority of funding for the board is generated through licensing with no monies appropriated from the General Fund. The earliest minutes for the board on record are from 1911; however the Board does possess a copy of Board of Pharmacy license No. 3 issued February 26, 1889 in Boise City, Idaho Territory.

The board maintains a web site allowing access to our code sections and rules at [www.state.id.us/bop](http://www.state.id.us/bop), which also contains other information such as notices of continuing education, board minutes, board meetings, registration forms, and other information to licensees as well as the general public, including an interactive license and registration on line verification program. New in FY 2008: The public can now purchase Board sold items, such as law books, on line.

The board offices are located at 3380 Americana Terrace, Ste 320 Boise, Idaho 83706 and can be reached by phone at 1-208-334-2356 or Fax 1-208-334-3536.

### Core Functions/Idaho Code:

Pharmacy is considered a professional practice in the state of Idaho and thus merits and receives the confidence of the public; only qualified persons are permitted to engage in the practice of pharmacy. This is assured through required education, training, extern or internships and examination as well as continuing education to obtain and maintain licensure. The Board may also refuse to issue or renew, suspend, revoke or restrict licensure as set forth in Idaho Code. The Board also regulates and licenses all pharmacists and regulates and registers all pharmacy technicians and all drug outlets including retail, institutional, manufacturers, wholesalers, mail-service pharmacies, durable medical equipment outlets, non pharmacy drug outlets, and veterinary drug outlets. Title 54, Chapter 17

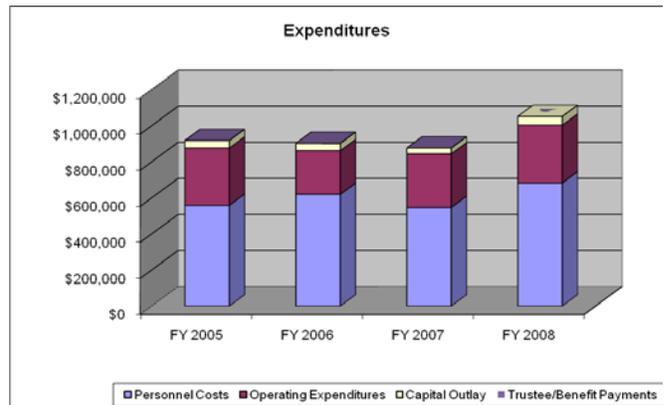
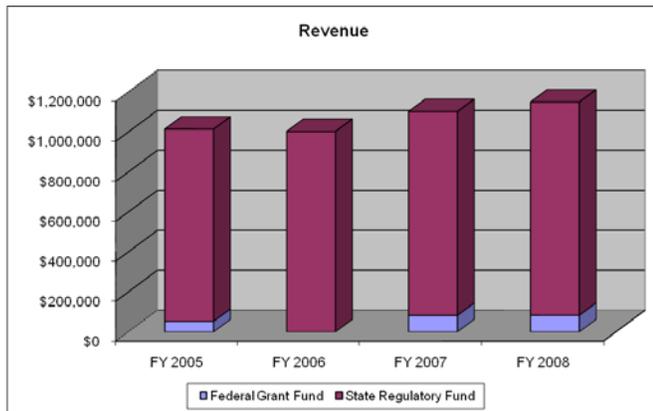
The Board is also responsible for the Uniform Controlled Substances Act and in that capacity registers all pharmacists, practitioners dispensing, administering, obtaining, selling or prescribing controlled substances as well as wholesalers. Within this act the Board also has the responsibility for the scheduling of controlled substances. The Board maintains a Prescription Monitoring Program to track controlled substances in Schedules II thru IV for the purpose of assisting in identifying illegal activity related to the dispensing or obtaining of controlled substances and for the purpose of assisting the Board in providing information to patients, practitioners and pharmacists in avoiding inappropriate use of controlled substances. New in FY 2008: Authorized users can obtain a user ID from the Board, create a password, and access the Prescription Monitoring System, for an authorized use, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Title 37, Chapter 27

**Revenue and Expenditures:**

Revenue	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Federal Grant Fund	\$53,200		\$82,800	\$83,400
State Regulatory Fund	\$961,500	\$1,002,900	\$1,019,800	\$1,067,00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,014,700</b>	<b>\$1,002,900</b>	<b>\$1,102,600</b>	<b>\$1,150,400</b>

Expenditure	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Personnel Costs	\$559,100	\$619,400	\$547,500	\$682,600
Operating Expenditures	\$317,700	\$242,800	\$297,000	\$320,827
Capital Outlay	\$41,000	\$39,800	\$32,200	\$48,100
Trustee/Benefit Payments	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$917,800</b>	<b>\$902,000</b>	<b>\$876,700</b>	<b>\$1,051,500</b>



**Profile of Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided**

Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
License/Registrations issued	12,437	12,553	13,047	14,525
Disciplinary Action—Citations issued	34	26	14	13
Board Orders	18	18	27	17
Controlled substance prescriptions reported	1,770,401	1,782,821	1,870,167	2,114,098
Patient profiles provided	11,667	7,274?	15,164	18,904
24/7 Online Requests. Starting 1/1/08	N/A	N/A	N/A	11,891
CE Presentations	16	12	unknown	14
Board meetings open to public	4	7	4	9

**Performance Highlights:**

Our controlled substance tracking program is a valuable tool for our registered practitioners. The Drug Tracking Program tracks over two million controlled substance prescriptions per year. The Board now requires all pharmacies which hold a DEA registration as a retail pharmacy to submit data weekly. This increase in the amount of pharmacies submitting data and change from the traditional monthly reporting has allowed the Board to provide more timely and complete information to authorized users. The new 24/7 access for authorized users to the Drug Tracking System is changing the practice of prescribing controlled substances, as witnessed by the doubling of requested patient profiles from FY 2007 to FY 2008. Please realize that the 24/7 access has only been available since 3/08, and it was utilized more than the entire year of FY 2005. In FY 2008, we also detailed a rule requiring positive identification for individuals obtaining controlled substances via prescription.

We extended a temporary rule that will bring pharmacy services to a remote location in Idaho by means of a telepharmacy. This was a joint effort by the board, the community, our Governor, legislators and Idaho

Congressman. We are seeing more of our remote areas lose their community pharmacies, and we hope this will be a means of providing our citizens to continue to have access to pharmacy services and needed medications.

We continue to add questions to the Multi Pharmacy Jurisprudence Exam data bank. The exam is available at secure sites across the country allowing our graduates to set their own exam dates as well as their examination site. It will also allow our reciprocity candidates to test at sites available near their current residence without the expense of traveling to the board office prior to moving to Idaho.

The 2007 Wholesale Drug distribution Act tasked the Board with licensing wholesalers of prescription drugs. As opposed to the traditional one page registration form, the licensure application grew to 7 pages and requires, among other data, the fingerprinting and thus back ground check for each wholesaler's designated representative. In FY 2008, 417 wholesale licensure applications were received. This unfunded mandate has challenged the Board.

**Part II – Performance Measures**

Performance Measure	2005	2006	2007	2008	Benchmark
1. Maintain the standard for pharmacist licensure through the NABLEX	X	X	X	X	Continue the use of the nationally recognized exam for initial licensure.
2. Continued use of the Multi Pharmacy Jurisprudence Exam.		X	X	X X X (proposed language FY 2009)	Provide and allow exam to be administered in different areas of the country for all licensure candidates. Continue to update exam twice yearly. Promulgate rules which recognize MPJE
3. Controlled Substance Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) is maintained	X	X	X	X X	Investigate any prescription fraud detected through program Implement rules allowing access by practitioners and pharmacists 24/7
4. Monitor the standards and performance of Automated Pharmacy Systems.	X	X	X	X X (proposed language FY 2009)	Review the use of pilot projects for Telepharmacy. Start to promulgate permanent rules.
5. Standards for the electronic transmission of prescriptions	X	X	X	X X	Review systems used the electronic transmission of prescriptions. Monitor the Drug Enforcements Agency's proposed rules for the electronic transmission of controlled substance.

6. Registered pharmacy technician issues.				X (proposed language FY 2009)  X (proposed language FY 2009)  X (proposed language FY 2009)	Start to promulgate rules to establish clear discipline authority  Address individuals with access to the pharmacy, not regulated by the Board: "clerks"  Consider public requests on ratios and certification
7. Pharmaceutical Care				X (proposed language FY 2009)	Promulgate rules, as authorized by statute, to define pharmaceutical care or "cognitive service pharmacy".
8. Pharmacist in charge				X (proposed language FY 2009) X (proposed language FY 2009) X (proposed language FY 2009)	Standardize this terminology  Require this position in every pharmacy  Require that the PIC must work a substantial amount of time in the pharmacy for which they are named.
9. Student Pharmacists				X (proposed language FY 2009) X (proposed language FY 2009) X (proposed language FY 2009) X (proposed language FY 2009)	Create definition  Address the intern/extern to pharmacist ratio  Harmonize rules for registration  Allow student pharmacists to transfer controlled substances
10. Long Term Care				X (proposed language FY 2009)	Promulgate rules addressing long term care issues

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