

# 2023 FACT SHEET



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**Medical  
Commission**  
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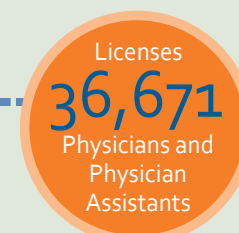
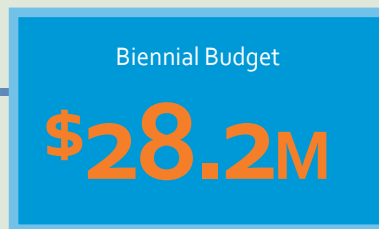
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## OVERVIEW

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APPOINTED  
COMMISSIONERS



## ABOUT THE WMC

- Independent, full authority, regulator of allopathic physicians and physician assistants.
- Operates as a hybrid/remote organization.
- Collaborates with the DOH under a [joint operating agreement](#).
- WMC published their [2023-2025 Strategic Plan](#).
- All of the WMC Rules and Regulations in Progress can be tracked [here](#).

## SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Instituted a Practitioner Support Program to provide helpful resources to physicians and physician assistants.
- Instituted a program to help complainants provide information needed to review their complaints.
- The WMC was recognized as a *WellBeing First Champion* for 2023 and is among twenty-one other U.S. states who have made these changes to protect practitioner health. In order to receive this award, *ALL IN: WellBeing First for Healthcare*, a coalition of leading health care organizations, has verified the WMC Licensure applications are free from intrusive and stigmatizing language around mental health care and treatment. The WMC offers a "safe haven" provision in our application.

## ACTIONS IN FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2023

- Issued 4,297 new licenses.
- Received 1,644 complaints/reports.
- Completed legal process on 628 investigations.

## AWARDS

2014: Best of Boards  
Honorable Mention –  
Administrators in  
Medicine

2015: Consumer Protection  
Award – Council on  
Licensing, Enforcement and  
Regulation

2016: Ronald K. Williamson  
Memorial Award for Board  
Investigators – Administrators  
in Medicine

2016: Investigative Excellence  
- Council on Licensing,  
Enforcement and Regulation

2019: Best of Boards  
Award Recipient –  
Administrators in Medicine