

# 2024 FACT SHEET



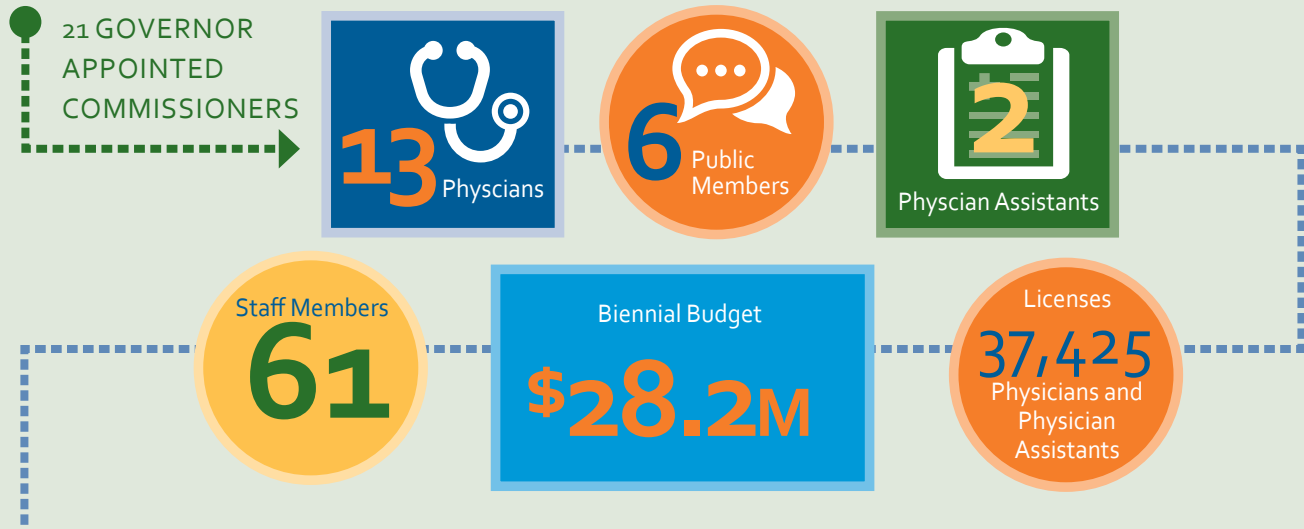
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## OVERVIEW



## 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](#).

## ACTIONS IN FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2024

- Issued 4,429 new licenses.
- Received 2,002 complaints/reports.
- Completed legal process on 536 investigations.

## 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.

## 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