



# News Release

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## State disciplines health care providers

**OLYMPIA** -- The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Division works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 80 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency website. Click on "[Look up a healthcare provider license](#)" in the "How Do I?" section of the [Department of Health website](#) (doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are encouraged to call and report their complaint.

### Benton County

In January 2014 the Nursing Assistant Program conditionally granted a registered nursing assistant credential to **Lundin Vonn Lamberson** (NA60359039) and placed him on probation for at least two years. In 2001 Lamberson was convicted of driving while intoxicated, and in 2007 he was convicted of obstructing a law enforcement officer. In 2010 he was convicted of second-degree assault — domestic violence.

### Clark County

In January 2014 the Medical Commission charged physician **Zbigniew M. Grudzien** (MD00039350) with unprofessional conduct. Grudzien allegedly provided substandard care for 11 patients, including seven cardiac patients. He allegedly misdiagnosed or mismanaged a variety of ailments; and he didn't provide appropriate treatment, prescribe appropriate medications, or keep adequate records. Grudzien also allegedly misused intravenous vitamin and mineral infusions, didn't conduct adequate follow-up, didn't use laboratory tests adequately, and billed without justification.

In January 2014 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **David S. Meeks** (NC10095355) with unprofessional conduct. Meeks allegedly admitted having sexual relations with a client.

### **Cowlitz County**

In January 2014 the Nursing Commission charged licensed practical nurse **Misty Dawn Janson** (LP60146118) with unprofessional conduct. Janson allegedly tested positive for controlled substances on a drug test her employer requested. Charges say she admitted using the substances, and not having prescriptions or a medical marijuana authorization.

### **Grays Harbor County**

In January 2014 the Nursing Assistant Program entered an agreement with certified nursing assistant and registered nursing assistant **Deanna Lynn Harder** (NC60207972, NA60199824) requiring her to complete 15 hours of course work in assisting with medications. Harder also didn't comply with a 2013 stipulation requiring completion of the same course work.

### **King County**

In January 2014 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Ellie McCormack** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. McCormack doesn't have a dentist or dental assistant credential. She allegedly examined a patient's X-rays; determined no referral was needed; and twice removed, repaired, and reinserted the patient's provisional bridge.

In January 2014 the Nursing Assistant Program entered an agreement with certified nursing assistant **Freweyni B. Hagos** (NC60015952) that placed her credential on probation for at least one year. Hagos must complete a mental health and dementia specialty course. She was a caregiver for a resident diagnosed with autism and severe mental retardation. The resident who had a history of running away was found shoeless and shirtless, walking in a roadway outside his adult family home. Hagos had been disciplined previously by her employer when the resident ran away. The Department of Social and Health Services placed her on its Residential Care Services Registry, and won't allow her to be employed in caring for or having unsupervised access to vulnerable adults.

In January 2014 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Magdalena Termure** (RN00172366) with unprofessional conduct. Termure owned an adult family home that admitted a 77-year-old woman after a fall and repair of a fractured left hip who had been diagnosed with dementia and type-2 diabetes. Allegations say the resident fell and fractured a wrist the day she was admitted and also developed a urinary tract infection, a condition her care plan noted she had a history of, and received incorrect medication doses. When the patient's family transferred her to a different facility, she allegedly had pressure sores she had developed under Termure's care. Termure allegedly submitted different versions of medication records and progress notes with late entries.

In January 2014 the Nursing Commission ended probation for registered nurse **Beth V. Yost** (RN00156078).

In February 2014 the Pharmacy Commission charged pharmacy technician **Candis R. Wade** (VA00049261) with unprofessional conduct. Wade allegedly didn't comply with a 2011 stipulation by not paying the commission \$1,000 in reimbursement.

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### **Kittitas County**

In January 2014 the Nursing Commission ended probation for licensed practical nurse **Debi Deann Guse** (LP00050370).

### **Pierce County**

In February 2014 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program conditionally granted a chemical dependency professional trainee credential to **Jeremiah Shane Dunlap** (CO60402927), and placed him on probation. He must take continuing education in professional law and ethics, and is required to undergo evaluation for a substance abuse monitoring program. Dunlap was convicted of 11 felonies, nine gross misdemeanors, and one misdemeanor between 2000 and 2009.

In February 2014 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Jasmine Thao Wall** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Wall, who doesn't have a physician credential, allegedly gave at least one person a legend drug.

### **Spokane County**

In January 2014 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Christina Moline** (RN00096103) with unprofessional conduct. Charges say that after Moline appeared intoxicated while working at a hospital, she tested positive for alcohol and agreed to a three-year substance abuse monitoring contract. She allegedly relapsed on alcohol four times, agreed to a five-year substance abuse monitoring contract, but didn't comply with that, repeatedly providing diluted or abnormal urine samples, or providing no samples for required testing.

In February 2014 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program charged chemical dependency professional trainee **Ryan Watson** (CO60195480) with unprofessional conduct. Charges say Watson allegedly admitted that while he was employed by a chemical dependency treatment center, he misused alcohol, took controlled substances without prescriptions, and violated professional boundaries by maintaining non-therapeutic relationships with former female clients. He allegedly tested positive for amphetamine, admitted using methamphetamine, and said he'd substituted another person's urine for his own in at least one drug test.

### **Stevens County**

In February 2014 the Veterinary Board charged veterinarian **Elizabeth A. Young** (VT60088138) with unprofessional conduct. Charges say Young operated on a dog that had complications and required more treatment from other veterinary clinics. She allegedly kept illegible notes that didn't show a physical examination was performed before the surgery and didn't contain information required by law. Young hasn't responded to Department of Health inquiries.

### **Whatcom County**

In February 2014 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program denied a chemical

dependency professional trainee credential to **Joseph Robert Marshall** (CO60345582). In Montana, Marshall was convicted in 2003 of reckless driving and in 2005 of one count attempted sexual abuse of children and indecent exposure.

### **Yakima County**

In January 2014 the Medical Commission charged physician **Dave S. Atteberry** (MD60125296) with unprofessional conduct. Atteberry allegedly performed surgery on the wrong level of a patient's spine, then kept notes and records misstating the level at which the surgery was performed. Although the patient continued to experience severe pain, Atteberry allegedly left follow-up care to a physician assistant. Charges say the patient's incision became infected, requiring further surgery and extended treatment. After another physician performed surgery on the correct level of the patient's spine, charges say the patient reported the original pain was gone but that she experienced pain as a result of Atteberry's surgery. Atteberry allegedly tried to contact the patient by telephone and by certified letter after a complaint was filed with the Medical Commission. Charges say the patient found that very stressful.

In February 2014 the Dental Commission charged dental assistant **Patricia Rodriguez**, also known as Patricia Rodriguez Geronimo (D160052969), with unprofessional conduct. Charges say Rodriguez said she'd never been convicted of a crime on her application to reinstate her expired credential. She was convicted of four misdemeanors and received deferred prosecution on a fifth between 2003 and 2012.

In February 2014 the Pharmacy Commission charged pharmacy assistant **Nancy Sanchez** (VB60312739) with unprofessional conduct. In 2013 Sanchez was charged with forgery and with second-degree identity theft. The criminal charges stem from Sanchez's alleged theft of a patient's checkbook and attempt to cash a check from the patient's checkbook.

**Note to Editors:** Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

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