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Chelan Co. registered nurse suspended after being charged with child rape

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has immediately suspended the license of a Chelan County registered nurse after he was charged with raping a child.

Charles White (RN.RN.60296686) was charged with first-degree child rape on April 15, 2014 in Douglas County. After the initial investigation and gathering reports from local law enforcement, the Nursing Commission referred White's case to the Department of Health on July 8 for action.

He has 20 days to request a hearing to contest the charges and the suspension.

The documents can be seen online by clicking "[Look up a health care provider](#)" on the [Department of Health website](#). Copies can be requested by calling 360-236-4700. The number can also be used to file complaints against health care providers in Washington.

The Department of Health protects and promotes public health, safety, and welfare in Washington by regulating the competency and quality of health care providers. The agency establishes, monitors, and enforces qualifications for licensing, consistent standards of practice, continuing competency mechanisms, and discipline. Rules, policies, and procedures promote the delivery of quality health care to state residents.

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