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Snohomish County massage therapist indefinitely suspended for sex charge

OLYMPIA — State health officials have suspended the license of Snohomish County massage therapist Steven Lee Cook indefinitely for sexual misconduct. While his client was lying on a massage table, Cook allegedly put his left hand on a client’s lower back while using his right hand to rub his client’s genitals. Cook is also accused of using his finger to penetrate the same client’s vagina.

Cook was convicted in Snohomish County Superior Court on indecent liberties charges in September 2014.

Case 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. That number can also be used to file complaints against health care providers in Washington.

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