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State revokes, suspends licenses, certifications, registrations of health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has revoked or suspended the licenses, certifications, or registrations of health care providers in our state. The department has also immediately suspended the credentials of people who have been prohibited from practicing in other states.

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's website. Click on "[Look up a healthcare provider license](#)" in the "How Do I?" section of the [Department of Health home page](#) (www.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 also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Benton County

In April 2015 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the registered nursing assistant credential of **Silbia Martinez** (NA00128690). Martinez stole medication from a patient at the assisted living facility where she worked. After discovering that Martinez financially exploited a vulnerable adult, the state Department of Social and Health Services barred her from being employed in caring for and having unsupervised access to vulnerable adults.

Clark County

In April 2015 the Medical Assistant and X-Ray Technician programs entered into an agreement with medical assistant and X-ray technician **Shannon Theresa McVay** (CM60382758, XT00007092) under which her credentials are suspended for at least two years. McVay called in at least 22 controlled substance prescriptions for her husband using the name of a physician she worked with.

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Douglas County

In April 2015 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse credential of **Jennifer S. Dechenne** (RN00124446) for not complying with a substance abuse monitoring contract.

King County

In April 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program immediately suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **Diane Margaret Johnson** (NC60307152). Contrary to orders, Johnson tried to transfer a nursing home resident from a toilet to a wheelchair without a gait belt or help from another staff member. The resident fell and broke a hip. The state Department of Social and Health Services found that Johnson neglected a vulnerable adult and prohibited her from being employed in caring for and having unsupervised access to vulnerable adults.

In April 2015 the secretary of health suspended the paramedic credential of **Paul Duncan Ahrens** (ES01171411) for at least five years. While working for an emergency medical services agency, Ahrens diverted controlled substances for his own use, and sometimes replaced them with other substances. Ahrens was charged in federal court with three counts of product tampering.

In March 2015 the secretary of health suspended the massage practitioner credential of **Reggy Michael Nelson** (MA60115994) for at least a year. After asking a client whether she wanted her pectoral muscles massaged, Nelson removed draping material and manually manipulated her breasts. Nelson was criminally charged with indecent liberties.

In April 2015 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse credential of **Laura R. Lincoln** (RN00150836) after she didn't comply with her substance abuse monitoring contract.

In April 2015 the Nursing Commission suspended the registered nurse credential of **Donna M. Kelly** (RN00075712) for at least three years. Kelly worked at a facility where one of her patients needed chemotherapy and a bone marrow transplant. Kelly didn't change the dressing or keep notes about the patient's catheter. Nor did she intervene or make sure the patient received appropriate treatment for an extremely low white blood cell count, and didn't notify the patient of potential consequences. The patient died.

In April 2015 the Nursing Commission entered into an agreement with registered nurse **Sandra Lee Stephens** (RN00094442) under which she surrendered her credential and agreed not to resume practicing in Washington. During a 13-month period when her credential was expired, Stephens maintained a nursing delegation contract with the Department of Social and Health Services, providing nursing delegation services. She also allegedly admitted billing for services she didn't provide and was paid for those services.

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In April 2015 the Pharmacy Commission indefinitely suspended the pharmacy assistant credential of **Jordan L. Williams** (VB60109743). He told police he'd diverted narcotics from the pharmacy where he worked.

In April 2015 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Susan Olsen** (RN00128323) with unprofessional conduct and immediately suspended her credential. Charges say Olsen owned an adult family home where she didn't adequately manage patient medication regimens and didn't follow patient care plans. She also allegedly left two patients in her car while she took a walk in a park. One patient fell asleep, couldn't be awakened and had to be taken to an emergency room. After concluding that Olsen abused and neglected vulnerable adults, the state Department of Social and Health Services banned her from being employed in caring for and having unsupervised access to vulnerable adults.

In April 2015 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse credential of **Devrie Rose Dimond** (RN00120807) after she surrendered her Arizona license. Dimond didn't abide by an agreement to abstain from alcohol and other drugs, and to submit to random drug tests.

In April 2015 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program indefinitely suspended the chemical dependency professional trainee credential of **Victor De Los Santos** (CO60453399). He didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring agreement.

Kitsap County

In April 2015 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program suspended the chemical dependency professional credential of **Paul David Brown** (CP00002574). He provided domestic violence counseling without being licensed to do so.

Pierce County

In April 2015 the Nursing Commission suspended the licensed practical nurse credential of **Cynthia D. Gates** (LP00052388) for at least two years. She didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring contract.

In March 2015 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the paramedic credential of **Gronn Morgan** (ES00107899). Morgan allowed a patient complaining of chest pain to smoke a cigarette, contrary to established protocols. He also incorrectly diagnosed and/or gave medication to four other patients.

Snohomish County

In April 2015 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse credential of **Tanna N. Vigue-Dry** (RN00155709). She didn't comply with an agreement to participate in a substance abuse monitoring program.

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Spokane County

In April 2015 the Osteopathic Board indefinitely suspended the credential of osteopathic physician **Lynda K. Williamson** (OP00001596). She didn't respond to a request for a statement and failed to fulfill a patient's request for medical records.

Yakima County

In April 2015 the secretary of health ordered **Yueping Feng** to cease and desist from the practice of massage and to pay a \$1,000 fine. Feng charged a patient \$60 for a massage without a license.

In April 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program immediately suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **Jessica M. Aguilar** (NC10092937). Aguilar had a vulnerable adult patient in her care and took \$100 from the patient's bank account without the patient's permission. The state Department of Social and Health Services determined that Aguilar financially exploited a vulnerable adult. She can't be employed in caring for and having unsupervised access to vulnerable adults.

Out of State

Oregon: In April 2015 the Hearing and Speech Board first indefinitely suspended the speech language pathologist credential of **Jocelyn Louise Meussdorffer** (LL60262909) and then vacated that suspension. Language referring to non-compliance with a substance abuse monitoring contract was omitted from a 2014 agreement with Meussdorffer.

Oregon: In April 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program ordered **Melinda Berger** to cease and desist from the practice of massage and pay a \$1,000 fine. Berger doesn't have a massage practitioner license; however, she had an online advertisement for \$200 full body massages.

Oregon: In April 2015 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse and advanced registered nurse practitioner credentials of **Rebecca S. Parker** (RN00126126, AP30004962). She was charged with unprofessional conduct after her Oregon license was placed on probation. During a telephone conference, Parker said she had no interest in participating, and that she "was bowing out" before hanging up.

Texas: In April 2015 the secretary of health ordered **Yon Sun Brackeen** to cease and desist from the practice of massage and pay a \$1,000 fine. Brackeen has no massage practitioner license, but she provided massage treatment to a client.

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