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Pierce Co. doctor suspended due to host of charges around training program

OLYMPIA — A Pierce County doctor was immediately suspended by the state Medical Commission. Dr. John Haggmann’s license was revoked in Virginia due to several violations that included practicing while he was drunk and dispensing controlled substances without a license.

Charges state the Virginia Board found that he committed numerous violations. Haggmann allowed military medical training course participants to perform undocumented invasive medical procedures on each other that weren’t for medicinal or therapeutic purposes. He also allowed course participants to inject each other or themselves with controlled substances and legend drugs in isolation, and in combination with alcohol in order to assess the effects of these substances on their cognition.

The Medical Commission concludes that the violations stated in the Virginia Board Order are substantially similar to professional misconduct in Washington.

The documents in this case 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.

The Medical Commission promotes patient safety and enhances the integrity of the profession through licensing, rule-making, discipline, and education. [Learn more about the commission](#), or [find them on Facebook](#) and [follow us on Twitter](#).

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