



# News Release

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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 health care provider license](#)" in the "How Do I?" section of the [Department of Health home page](#) (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.

### **Chelan County**

In December 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program revoked the registered nursing assistant credential of **Judith Gonzalez** (NA60001326) for two years. Gonzalez was convicted of making a false or misleading statement to a public servant in 2015, when she supplied a false Social Security number when she applied for her license.

### **Clallam County**

In January 2016 the Physical Therapy Board indefinitely suspended the physical therapist assistant credential of **Ronald D. Morr** (P160054239), who didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring contract.

### **Clark County**

In January 2016 physician **Huong The Luu** (MD00030582) agreed to permanently surrender his medical license, and the Medical Commission ended his probation. Luu did not keep adequate

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patient or inventory records, did not follow pain-management standards and an inspection found sanitation and medication storage problems throughout his facility.

In January 2016 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **Tangela L. Kelly** (NC10080067). Her Arizona nursing assistant application was denied in 2015 in connection with criminal convictions and substance abuse issues.

In January 2016 the Medical Commission accepted the license surrender of physician **Michael Gilliland** (MD00042973). He cannot practice medicine in Washington and has no right to reinstate or reapply for his license. This follows a summary restriction that happened in 2015 based on charges that he engaged in an inappropriate relationship with a patient and inappropriately treated that same patient.

### **Douglas County**

In December 2015 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program indefinitely suspended the chemical dependency professional trainee credential of **Kimberly Joyce Arnold** (CO60346029), who didn't comply with terms of probation.

### **Franklin County**

In December 2015 the secretary of health suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **Adriana Maldonado** (NC60484767) for at least three years. She was convicted of third-degree assault in 2015.

### **Island County**

In January 2016 the secretary of health suspended the emergency medical technician credential of **Dylan G. Jefferies** (ES60021530) for at least 20 years. He was convicted of first-degree possession of depictions of minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct in 2015.

### **King County**

In January 2016 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse credential of **Samuel J. Hirst** (RN00153006), who diverted narcotics at a hospital where he worked.

In December 2015 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the registered nursing assistant credential of **Irene Nicole McGinnis** (NA60338511). A law enforcement officer found her in possession of methamphetamine.

### **Kitsap County**

In January 2016 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the registered nursing assistant credential of **Aisha Amber Henry** (NA60390784), who verbally assaulted a vulnerable adult for whom she was a caregiver. Upon finding that Henry mentally abused a vulnerable adult, the state Department of Social and Health Services will not allow her to be employed in caring for or having unsupervised access to vulnerable adults.

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### **Lewis County**

In January 2016 the Home Care Aide Program suspended the home care aide credential of **Ana L. Encinas-Estrada** (HM60428282) for at least two years after she falsely reported the number of hours she worked.

### **Pierce County**

In January 2016 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the certified medical assistant credential of **Christina Leh Young** (CM60364405). She was convicted of solicitation to obtain or attempt to obtain a controlled substance by fraud, deceit or misrepresentation in 2013.

In October 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the registered nursing assistant credential of **Ian R. Muigai** (NA60421267) for three years. In 2015 Muigai was convicted of fourth-degree assault with sexual motivation.

In December 2015 the Agency Affiliated Counselor Program indefinitely suspended the agency affiliated counselor credential of **Sean James Dallas** (CG60532737), who didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring program.

In January 2016 the secretary of health withdrew a statement of charges against registered nursing assistant **Caroline Mary Honour** (NA60239379).

### **Snohomish County**

In January 2016 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program indefinitely suspended the chemical dependency professional trainee credential of **Anna Marie Isquirisigza** (CO60535774), who didn't comply with terms of probation.

### **Spokane County**

In December 2015 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program indefinitely suspended the chemical dependency professional trainee credential of **Alexia Nichole Edinger** (CO60139933), who didn't comply with terms of probation.

In December 2015 the secretary of health suspended the marriage and family therapist credential of **Darlene Anne Townsend** (LF00001054) for at least four years. Her treatment of two patients was below the standard of care.

### **Thurston County**

In January 2016 the Medical Commission withdrew a statement of charges against physician **Lowell R. Dightman** (MD00020247).

In January 2016 the secretary of health suspended the certified medical assistant credential of **Jessica Ann Carney** (CM60368854) for at least one year. She fraudulently acquired controlled substances for her own use.

### **Walla Walla County**

In January 2016 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the chemical dependency professional trainee credential of **Michael Casey** (CO60243873), who didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring contract.

In November 2015 the Medical Commission restricted the license of physician **Gerald Craigg** (MD00044814). He isn't allowed to prescribe certain narcotics or controlled substances unless the Commission's order is modified. This follows a summary restriction in October 2015 based on charges that he overprescribed narcotics to some patients.

### **Yakima County**

In December 2015 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program indefinitely suspended the chemical dependency professional trainee credential of **Michele Kathryn Barnhouse** (CO60495172), who didn't comply with terms put in place when she received her license.

### **Out of State**

**Arizona:** In January 2016 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse and advanced registered nurse practitioner **Sukanlaya Hughes** (RN60576020, AP60576937) with unprofessional conduct and immediately suspended her credentials. Her Arizona credentials in those professions were suspended in 2015 in connection with a falsified academic record.

**California:** In January 2016 the Pharmacy Commission withdrew a statement of charges against pharmacist **Teri Gilbert** (PH00019595).

**Montana:** In January 2016 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Anne F. Henry** (RN60606239) with unprofessional conduct and immediately suspended her credential. Henry's Virginia nursing credential was suspended in 2015 in connection with practicing with an expired license and altering a certification card.

**Oregon:** In January 2016 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **Tamara K. Mings**, also known as Tamara McLaren (NC10067175), who diverted narcotics from a patient.

**Oregon:** In January 2016 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the agency affiliated counselor credential of **Jeffrey Paul Chudner** (CG60283305), who didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring program.

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