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State disciplines health care providers

OLYMPIA -- The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

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 website. Click on "[Look up a health care provider license](#)" in the "How Do I?" section of the [Department of Health website](#) (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 encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Benton County

In March 2016 the Chiropractic Commission agreed to reinstate the chiropractor credential of **Jeffrey Sullivan** (CH00002853) and placed him on probation for at least six years. Through the first three years of probation, Sullivan is restricted from treating minor patients and is allowed to treat adult female patients only in the presence of a commission-approved chiropractic assistant. Sullivan's license was immediately suspended in 2008 in connection with sexual abuse of a 12-year-old girl. In 2009, his license was suspended for at least four years after he pleaded guilty to communication with a minor for immoral purposes.

Clark County

In March 2016 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Enrique A. Kindermann** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Kindermann doesn't have a massage practitioner license, but allegedly advertised massage and reflexology, and offered to provide massage treatment.

Cowlitz County

In March 2016 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Jorge Trujillo Brito** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Brito allegedly provided care as a home care aide without having a license.

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Island County

In February 2016 the Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Program filed an amended statement of charges against licensed marriage and family therapist **Arely Jimenez** (LF00002661) to add information about a case involving Jimenez allegedly practicing naturopathy without a license. The Unlicensed Practice Program filed a second amended notification of intent to issue Jimenez a cease-and-desist order involving the same case.

King County

In March 2016 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Kunkuk Ryu** (RN60268453) with unprofessional conduct based on a 2015 conviction of third-degree assault. Charges say Ryu's conduct involved online communication and phone messaging with a 14-year-old girl that was of a sexual nature. Ryu also didn't report the criminal conviction to the commission.

In February 2016 the Unlicensed Practice Program entered an agreement with **Guosheng Li** that requires Li to cease and desist from practicing massage without a license and pay \$100. Li has no massage practitioner or reflexologist license, but offered to provide foot massage.

In March 2016 the Nursing Commission conditionally granted a registered nurse credential to **Vilmar Y. Magday** (RN60627315), who was convicted in Hawaii of driving while intoxicated in 2009 and again in 2014.

In March 2016 the Counselor Program reinstated the mental health counselor credential of **Jeffrey S. Zheutlin** (LH00006754), whose credential was suspended in 2015 after he began a romantic and sexual relationship with a patient.

In March 2016 the Agency-Affiliated Counselor Program charged agency-affiliated counselor **Jacquelyn Willimon** (CG60461796) with unprofessional conduct. Willimon allegedly had a sexual relationship with a client.

In March 2016 the secretary of health ended probation for registered nursing assistant and certified nursing assistant **Jamie A. Sepulveda** (NA60241442, NC60252850).

In March 2016 the Facilities and Licensing Program filed charges against in-home services agency **Senior Enrichment Inc.**, doing business as My New Friend (FS60007872). Inspections allegedly showed a number of deficiencies in the company's practices, some of which weren't corrected after previous inspections.

In March 2016 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Kristen Lang** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Lang allegedly advertised being a certified massage therapist, but doesn't have a massage practitioner license.

Pend Oreille County

In March 2016 the secretary of health ended conditions on the mental health counselor credential of **Nancy M. Ashburn** (MC60306312).

Pierce County

In March 2016 the Nursing Commission charged licensed practical nurse **Rachel K. Kletzker** (LP00044669) with unprofessional conduct. Charges say she tested positive for controlled substances she was not prescribed, and had inconsistencies in her medication administration. Kletzker allegedly was diagnosed with opioid dependence.

In March 2016 the secretary of health ended probation for chemical dependency professional trainee **LeaAnna Debra Darling** (CO60245620).

Skagit County

In March 2016 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Glenda S. Small** (RN00163414) with unprofessional conduct. While working at a hospital, Small allegedly didn't document administering or disposing of narcotics.

Spokane County

In March 2016 the Medical Commission charged physician **Merle E. Janes** (MD00026269) with unprofessional conduct. Janes allegedly didn't meet the standard of care in prescribing controlled substances over a period of years.

In March 2016 the Chemical Dependency Professional and Social Worker programs modified an agreement with chemical dependency professional, independent clinical social worker associate and independent clinical social worker **Coy Robert Osgood** (CP60065645, SC60229390, LW60496502). Osgood must receive an "unconditional pass" in an ethics course.

In March 2016 the secretary of health ended probation for chemical dependency professional trainee **Sue Marie Hernandez**, also known as Sue Marie Whitehead (CO60319946).

In March 2016 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Jessica M. Rose** (NC10058810) with unprofessional conduct. Rose allegedly tested positive for methamphetamine and THC while at work.

Whatcom County

In March 2016 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Robyn N. Eldridge** (RN00136720) with unprofessional conduct. Eldridge allegedly admitted diverting narcotics.

Yakima County

In March 2016 the secretary of health conditionally granted a chemical dependency professional trainee credential to **Kristin Danielle Thierolf** (CO60615182) and ordered her to participate in a substance abuse monitoring program. In 2011 Thierolf was convicted of third-degree theft, possession of a controlled substance — methamphetamine, and obstructing a law enforcement officer.

Out of State

California: In March 2016 the Independent Clinical Social Worker Program reinstated the independent clinical social worker credential of **Rebecca J. Durocher** (LW00007329) and placed her on probation for at least one year. Durocher's license was suspended in 2013 after she admitted having an improper personal and sexual relationship with a patient.

California: In March 2016 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Feng Lin** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Lin doesn't have a massage practitioner license, but allegedly performed massage on a client.

Oregon: In February 2016 the Pharmacy Commission ended conditions on the nonresident pharmacy credential of **Healthy Options Inc.**, doing business as Postal Prescription Services (FO00056444).

Oregon: In March 2016 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program charged chemical dependency professional trainee **Julie Nakandakare** (CO60288608) with unprofessional conduct. In 2015 Nakandakare was convicted in Oregon of conspiracy to commit a Class C felony after originally being charged with compelling prostitution regarding a person under the age of 18 years, and promoting prostitution. Charges say Nakandakare didn't report the convictions to the Washington State Department of Health.

Note to Editors: Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

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