



# News Release

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**OLYMPIA** -- The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.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

## Clark County

In March 2016 the secretary of health conditionally granted a chemical dependency professional trainee credential to **Henry Paul Dzur** (CO60596009), placed him on probation and ordered him to participate in a substance abuse monitoring program. In 2010 Dzur was convicted of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver — heroin.

In March 2016 the secretary of health ordered **Enrique A. Kindermann** to cease and desist from practicing massage without a license, and pay a \$1,000 fine. Kindermann doesn't have a massage practitioner license, but advertised massage and reflexology, and offered to provide massage treatment.

## Cowlitz County

In April 2016 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Marita Ramos** (NC60390467) with unprofessional conduct. Charges say Ramos accepted a \$5,000 loan from the parents of a resident of an adult family home where she worked. Ramos also allegedly left the adult family home during her shift, putting the residents in the care of her boyfriend, who wasn't an employee of the facility.

### **Douglas County**

In March 2016 the Nursing Assistant and Home Care Aide programs charged registered nursing assistant and certified nursing assistant **Saharai F. Flores** (NA60313820, HM60316219) with unprofessional conduct. Flores allegedly provided a false Social Security number when she applied for her licenses.

### **King County**

In March 2016 the Counselor Program charged chemical dependency professional and agency-affiliated counselor **Brian Scott Keck** (CP00005117, CG60156259) with unprofessional conduct. Keck allegedly didn't comply with a 2015 stipulation requiring him to complete continuing education in law and ethics, and reimburse the program for \$1,345.36 in costs. The stipulation stemmed from allegations that Keck didn't originally repay money he borrowed from a client, and that he treated clients after his credentials expired.

In March 2016 the secretary of health conditionally granted an agency-affiliated counselor credential to **Elizabeth Mullen Bennett** (CG60621956), placed her on probation and ordered her to participate in a substance abuse monitoring program. Bennett's license as a physician was suspended in 2011 after she didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring program. In 2013 she was convicted of driving under the influence, ignition interlock violation, and reckless driving.

In March 2016 the secretary of health reinstated the massage practitioner credential of **Juan R. Teague** (MA00025075), which was suspended in January 2016 because Teague didn't document meeting continuing education requirements.

In April 2016 the secretary of health ended probation for certified medical assistant **Jennifer Velasquez Roman** (CM60524600).

In April 2016 the Dental Commission charged dentist **Jae Lyung Hur** (DE60058466) with unprofessional conduct. During an infection control inspection at an office Hur owns in part, charges say, Hur's dentist credential wasn't displayed, and records showed spore testing had been done only once a month between May and October in 2015.

In April 2016 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Angelo Delsenno** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Delsenno allegedly advertised being a licensed Washington massage therapist despite having no Washington license.

### **Kitsap County**

In April 2016 the Dental Commission charged dentist **Hamidreza Barakhshan** (DE00009257) with unprofessional conduct. Barakhshan allegedly provided substandard dental treatment to a patient, including causing a fracture and a tear, and didn't keep adequate records.

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### **Kittitas County**

In April 2016 the secretary of health conditionally granted a massage practitioner credential to **Tiana Miliani Bolden** (MA60637644) and placed her on probation for at least two years. In 2015 Bolden was convicted of second-degree assault.

### **Pierce County**

In March 2016 the Massage Program entered an agreement with massage practitioner **John S. Casebere** (MA00010173) that restricts his practice for at least two years and fines him \$1,500. Casebere made inappropriate comments in the classroom while he was employed as a massage instructor. He engaged in an intimate relationship and lived with a former student.

In April 2016 the secretary of health charged registered nurse **Tamsen Kindra Draper** (RN60525036) with unprofessional conduct. Charges say Draper acknowledged being sexually intimate with and engaged to a patient.

In April 2016 the Nursing Commission conditionally granted a registered nurse credential to **Nia Imani Smith** (RN60633576) and ordered her to continue participating in a substance abuse monitoring program. Smith was required to enter the program as part of a 2015 stipulation on her licensed practical nurse credential in connection with medication administration.

In April 2016 the Medical Assistant Program charged certified medical assistant **Marie A. Blumenthal** (CM60371826) with unprofessional conduct. Blumenthal allegedly altered a date on a patient's surgery consent form.

In April 2016 the Agency-Affiliated Counselor Program charged agency-affiliated counselor **Susan G. Lucich** (CG60153962) with unprofessional conduct. Lucich allegedly developed a relationship outside of the therapeutic setting with a teenage client who moved into her home. Charges say the client attempted suicide after Lucich told the client to move out.

In April 2016 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Amy J. Thaves** (RN00134256) with unprofessional conduct. Thaves allegedly didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring program.

### **Snohomish County**

In April 2016 the Nursing Assistant Program charged registered nursing assistant **Joseph Kariru Njenga** (NA60509071) with unprofessional conduct. The state Department of Social and Health Services determined that Njenga sexually and mentally abused an adult family home resident.

In April 2016 the Medical Assistant Program entered an agreement with interim certified medical assistant **Kelly R. Williams** (IC60578579) that reprimands her and fines her \$1,000. Williams practiced with an expired license.

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### **Spokane County**

In March 2016 the secretary of health ended probation for chemical dependency professional trainee and chemical dependency professional **David F. Russell** (CO60215813, CP60455259).

In March 2016 the secretary of health denied a chemical dependency professional trainee credential to **Christine Marie Jensen** (CO60585235), who in 2014 was convicted of fourth-degree assault and third-degree theft.

In April 2016 the Osteopathic Board agreed to reinstate the osteopathic physician credential of **Mark A. Hiesterman** (OP60226290). Hiesterman's license was suspended in 2015 in connection with alcohol-related issues.

### **Walla Walla County**

In April 2016 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Rebecca A. Groom** (RN00166087) with unprofessional conduct. In 2016 Groom was convicted of vehicular assault.

### **Out of State**

**California:** In April 2016 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Sheng Gang Sun** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Sun allegedly has no massage practitioner license, but operated a business where an unlicensed employee offered to provide a massage for \$60.

**Idaho:** In March 2016 the secretary of health ended conditions on the independent clinical social worker credential of **Cynthia Lee Wolcott**, also known as Cynthia Lee Wikle-Myhro (LW60468289).

**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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