



# 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.

### **Benton County**

In January 2016 the Denturists Board indefinitely suspended the denturist credential of **Janifer Ann Wright** (DN00000472), for not paying a \$2,000 fine which was part of a 2014 agreement that placed Wright on probation after she didn't provide dentures a patient had paid her for.

### **Clallam County**

In January 2016 the Dental Commission entered an agreement with dentist **Rachelle Anne Riepe** (DE60105845) that indefinitely suspends her credential. Riepe is unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety.

### **Clark County**

In January 2016 the secretary of health suspended the certified nursing assistant credential of **Russ T. Wilson** (NC10058587) for at least five years. In 2015 Wilson was convicted of third-degree assault – domestic violence.

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In January 2016 the Mental Health Counselor Program suspended the mental health counselor credential of **Tess E. Reese** (LH60499783) for at least one year. Reese's Arizona counselor license was suspended for at least five years in connection with billing and progress note issues.

In January 2016 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the registered nursing assistant credential of **Aaron C. Johnston** (NA00156385), who appeared to be diverting narcotics from residents of a senior living facility where he worked.

### **Grays Harbor County**

In January 2016 the Home Care Aide Program indefinitely suspended the home care aide credential of **Renee Lynn Hill** (HM60508155), who didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring contract.

### **King County**

In January 2016 the Nursing Assistant Program entered an agreement with registered nursing assistant **Emilyn Sibaen Rubio** (NA60289778) that suspends her credential for at least five years. Rubio, her immediate family, and another caregiver and family moved into the home of a disabled, elderly patient. They ate his food and used his utilities. Although the patient had previously executed a power of attorney in favor of his son, Rubio caused or allowed the patient to execute a power of attorney in her favor, giving her control of all his assets. Rubio also administered medications to the patient without nurse delegation.

### **Kitsap County**

In January 2016 the Chiropractic Commission withdrew a statement of charges filed in June 2015 against chiropractor **Blake J. Wagner** (CH00003095). Note that Wagner remains subject to the terms of an order entered in 2013, and modified in 2014.

### **Kittitas County**

In February 2016 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the chemical dependency professional trainee credential of **Anne Elizabeth Barko** (CO60485133), who didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring contract.

### **Pierce County**

In January 2016 the Medical Assistant and Nursing Assistant programs entered an agreement with medical assistant-phlebotomist and certified nursing assistant **Christopher James Csonka** (PC60346568, NC60086025), who had sex with a former patient. The agreement suspends his credentials for at least two years.

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### **Snohomish County**

In January 2016 the Medical Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of physician **Eric A. Haas** (MD60066104), who in 2015 agreed not to practice until the pending charges by the state were resolved.

In February 2016 the Nursing Commission suspended the registered nurse credential of **Tina R. Kohls** (RN00080523), who didn't abide by a substance abuse monitoring contract. She may ask to have her license reinstated only after proving she has remained clean and sober for two years.

In January 2016 the secretary of health indefinitely suspended the certified medical assistant credential of **Sharloana K. Robertson** (CM60395872), who didn't make payments which were included in a 2015 agreement.

### **Thurston County**

In January 2016 the Nursing Commission withdrew a statement of charges against registered nurse **Christina Sanchez** (RN60220734).

In February 2016 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Nicole Cadieux** (RN60519561) with unprofessional conduct and immediately suspended her credential. Cadieux's Florida advanced registered nurse practitioner credential was suspended in January 2016 in connection with drug diversion.

### **Whitman County**

In January 2016 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse credential of **Susan Bowen Small** (RN00082859), who didn't meet commission-ordered continuing education requirements.

### **Out of State**

**California:** In January 2016 the Medical Commission indefinitely suspended the credential of physician **Jaime C. David** (MD00045956), whose California medical license was suspended in 2015.

**Oregon:** In January 2016 the Nursing Commission entered an agreement with registered nurse **Casey Johanna Goff** (RN60137978) that indefinitely suspends her credential. Goff didn't comply with substance abuse monitoring contracts.

**Oregon:** In February 2016 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse credential of **Katherine M. Bratches** (RN00087884), who didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring program.

**Texas:** In February 2016 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Regina B. Doerr** (RN60026466) with unprofessional conduct and immediately suspended her credential. Doerr's

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Texas nursing license was restricted and her California nursing license was suspended in connection with medication errors at a Texas hospital.

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