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State disciplines health care providers

OLYMPIA -- The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against the following health care providers in our state.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., dentists, nurses, counselors). Information about disciplinary action taken against medical doctors and physician assistants can be found on the Washington Medical Commission (WMC) website. Questions about WMC disciplinary actions can be sent to media@wmc.wa.gov.

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.

Clallam County

In January 2022 the secretary of health denied the pharmacy assistant application of **Brianna Lynn Reed** (VB61149259) for not obtaining and reporting to the Department of Health a substance use evaluation.

King County

In January 2022 the Veterinary Board of Governors reinstated the veterinary technician license of **Cassandra Brittany Dragon** (AT60591420) with no conditions. Her license had been suspended over continuing education requirements.

In January 2022 the Unlicensed Practice Program issued a notice of intent to issue a cease-and-desist order for **Warunee Khiaochaum**, who allegedly practiced massage therapy without a license.

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Okanogan County

In January 2022 the secretary of health reinstated with conditions and put on probation for 36 months the registered nurse license of **Jill Marie Sackman** (RN00112706). In June, her license was suspended because she had a romantic and sexual relationship with a former patient and lived with the former patient.

Pierce County

In January 2022 the Unlicensed Practice Program issued a notice of intent to issue a cease-and-desist order against **Ilene L. Molinder** for allegedly practicing psychology without a license. Molinder operated a business called Nichols and Molinder Assessments, Inc. that allegedly provided psychological testing, treatment, recommendations, assessments, and diagnosis.

Snohomish County

In February 2022 the Home Care Aide Program charged home care aide **Mark A. Fabro** (HM60678489) with unprofessional conduct for allegedly accepting \$1,300 from a resident he worked with at an assisted living facility.

Spokane County

In January 2022 the Mental Health Counselor Program and Substance Use Disorder Professional Program amended charges against substance use disorder professional and associate licensed mental health counselor **Anthony Lee Williams** (CP60423468, MC60796005) with unprofessional conduct. Williams was convicted in Spokane Superior Court of theft and assault in the context of domestic violence and two counts of possessing controlled substances with the intent to sell.

Thurston County

In January 2022 the Home Care Aide Program amended charges against home care aide **Carolyn L. Shows** (HM60774986) with unprofessional conduct. Shows allegedly financially exploited a patient who gave her a loan for a car and then gifted it to her.

Whatcom County

In January 2022 the secretary of health ordered **Karen G. A. Mittet** to cease and desist from conducting any counseling in the state of Washington because she is not a licensed state counselor.

Out of State

California: In January 2022 the Massage Program charged massage therapist **Feng Shi** (MA60746129) with unprofessional conduct after the Oregon Board of Massage Therapists issued a default order finding he opened or operated a massage facility that employed unlicensed

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employees. Charges also state that the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards invalidated Shi's licensing examination because he was identified as one of hundreds of applicants who cheated on the exam through his involvement with a Colorado training school.

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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