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Spokane County dentist suspended on allegations of multiple sanitation and infection control requirements

OLYMPIA – The Dental Quality Assurance Commission suspended the license of Spokane County dentist Sandy Montano (DE.60486669) pending further legal action.

Charges state that Montano violated multiple sanitation and infection control requirements. A Department of Health investigator attempted to conduct an infection control inspection at Montano's clinic on December 1, 2021. Montano allegedly refused to allow the inspection.

Montano cannot practice in Washington until the charges are resolved. He has 20 days to respond to the charges and ask for a hearing.

The legal documents on this case can be seen online by clicking the link on <u>Provider Credential Search</u> on the <u>Department of Health website</u>; copies can be requested by calling 360-236-4700. Anyone who believes a health care provider acted unprofessionally is encouraged to call this number and report their complaint.

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