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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 the following 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., 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'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 June 2022 the Board of Naturopathy suspended the naturopathic physician license of **Virginia L. Frazer** (NT00000677). Frazer failed to cooperate with the disciplining authority after she was contacted about complaints related to her unauthorized disclosure of confidential medical records and allegations that she was issuing medical exemption letters to parents to avoid COVID-19 vaccine mandates.

King County

In June 2022 the secretary of health suspended the certified medical assistant license of **Lyudmila Aleksandrovna Sharak** (CM60526894). During a shift at a clinic, Sharak had difficulty walking in a straight line, slurred speech, and dilatated eyes. She admitted to taking hydrocodone for pain during a break, which she had a prescription for but did not respond to the charges of unprofessional conduct.

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In June 2022 the secretary of health suspended the massage therapist license of **Michael Wayne Steel** (MA60320409) for at least 24 months. Steel was charged with making sexually inappropriate comments and inappropriately touching a patient, which resulted in criminal charges in Kent Municipal Court. He did not respond to the Department of Health's charges.

In June 2022 the Nursing Commission suspended the registered nurse and advanced registered nurse practitioner licenses of **Peter K. Ndungi** (RN60938193, AP60938195-NP). Ndungi failed to comply with a stipulation that required him to participate, among other conditions, in a substance use monitoring program.

Kitsap County

In May 2022 the Veterinary Board suspended the veterinary license of **E. Zoltan Tusnadi** (VT00004055). Tusnadi did not respond to charges that said he failed to pay \$150 in reimbursed costs and complete 30 missing hours of continuing education required by an earlier agreement.

Pierce County

In June 2022 the secretary of health suspended the home care aide and registered nursing assistant credentials of **Lavonya Sherice Camp** (HM60927786, NA60997182). Camp was charged with theft and trafficking in stolen property by the Pierce County prosecutor's office after allegedly stealing \$40,000 in jewelry from the mother of a patient in whose home Camp worked. The prosecutor's office investigation found Camp on video in a pawn shop where several pieces of jewelry were recovered along with Camp's signature and copies of Camp's Washington license.

Skagit County

In June 2022 the secretary of health suspended the substance use disorder professional trainee license of **Tori Roseanne Springer** (CO60942051). Springer was disciplined by her employer after romantic feelings developed between her and a client and she admitted to having a sexual relationship with the client when he left the program. She did not respond to charges of unprofessional conduct.

Snohomish County

In June 2022 the secretary of health suspended the certified home care aide license of **Mary Mellisa Carver** (HM60680966). Carver failed to cooperate with an investigation stemming from a complaint that she made sexual advances toward a resident at an assisted living facility where she worked.

Yakima County

In June 2022 the secretary of health summarily suspended the registered nursing assistant license of **Susan Leeann Beebe** (NA60249471) pending further legal action. The Department of Social

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and Health Services, Adult Protective Services, placed Beebe on a long-term care abuse and neglect registry for financially exploiting a vulnerable adult.

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