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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**OLYMPIA** -- The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against the following health care providers in our state.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](mailto: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](http://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.

## Benton County

In July 2022 the Chiropractic Commission placed **Nathan Scott Anderson's** chiropractic license (CH60440427) on probation. Anderson agreed to enroll and participate in a substance use monitoring program, submit personal progress reports, and not visit any patients at home. From November 2017 to September 2018, Anderson visited a patient at home, during which time hydrocodone pills went missing. Also, he purchased a rifle from the patient without immediately fully paying for it.

## King County

In July 2022 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Marlene J. Lehman** (RN00142905) with unprofessional conduct. Lehman allegedly took hydromorphone from the facility where she worked. She also allegedly failed to administer narcotic medications in accordance with nursing standards and failed to follow the facility's policy for wastage of medication by delaying the wastage of narcotic medications.

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### **Lewis County**

In July 2022 the Registered Medical Assistant Program agreed to grant, with conditions, a registered medical assistant license to **Sequoiah Christal Fields** (MR61246229). Fields agreed to take classes in law and ethics and theft awareness.

### **Pierce County**

In July 2022 the secretary of health granted with conditions a certified nursing assistant license to **Megan Renae Cass** (NC61294122). Cass agreed to comply with the terms of a substance use monitoring program. In 2020, Cass was given a deferred prosecution for two cases in Buckley Municipal Court requiring participation in an alcoholism outpatient program.

In July 2022 the secretary of health ended conditions on the substance use disorder professional credential of **Bruce Wayne Davis** (CP61097177).

### **Spokane County**

In July 2022 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Aisha Shanae Spears-Foster** (NC10078302) with unprofessional conduct for allegedly misusing alcohol.

In July 2022 the secretary of health ended conditions on the credentials of **Daybreak Youth Services- Brush Prairie** (FS60873310, FS60722961).

In July 2022 the secretary of health ended probation on the registered medical assistant license of **Todd Allen Dixon** (MR60684962).

### **Thurston County**

In July 2022 the secretary of health ordered **Aneka Montello** to stop practicing as a veterinary technician in Washington unless she obtains a license.

In July 2022 the Nursing Commission ended conditions on the registered nurse license of **Kearsten Estelle Shotwell** (RN60577468).

### **Whatcom County**

In July 2022 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Joshua John McDonald** (NC61000690) with unprofessional conduct. McDonald was arrested and charged with attempted murder and malicious mischief in Whatcom County Superior Court after allegedly stabbing and cutting the throat of an 87-year-old woman for whom he worked as a full-time caregiver.

### **Yakima County**

In July 2022 the secretary of health withdrew charges against massage therapist **Casey A. Sanford** (MA60483788).

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## Out of State

**Kentucky:** In July 2022 the Nursing Commission reinstated with conditions the registered nurse credential of **Stacey Marie McHone** (RN61024602). McHone must participate in a substance use monitoring program and complete some educational courses.

**Oregon:** In July 2022 the Pharmacy Commission charged pharmacist **Daniel Nelson Asay** (PH60921227) with unprofessional conduct. Asay failed to provide documents in response to an investigation.

In July 2022 the Pharmacy Commission charged pharmacist **Howard Anthony Jensen** (PH60969681) with unprofessional conduct for failing to cooperate with the disciplinary authority's investigation.

**Texas:** In June 2022 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Matthew Joseph Sciba** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Sciba provided cognitive behavioral therapy to a client over skype but did not have a license to practice as a mental health counselor.

**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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