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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.

King County

In November 2022 the Chiropractic Commission revoked with no right to reapply the chiropractic license of **Staten C. Medsker Jr.** (CH00002796). Medsker provided chiropractic treatment to a patient while his license was suspended.

In December 2022 the Veterinary Board of Governors suspended the veterinary technician license of **Molly Ella Reagan Axt** (AT60593055). Axt failed to comply with the conditions of a 2021 agreed order that required continuing education.

In December 2022 the Nursing Commission suspended the licensed practical nurse credential of **Absolom Ngomi Wangige** (LP00058906). Wangige practiced as a licensed practical nurse while his credential was expired and failed to respond to the Commission's requests for a statement and documents.

In November 2022 the Pharmacy Commission suspended for at least two years the pharmacy assistant license of **Jocelyn Emily Kraves** (VB61122245). Kraves diverted prescription medication, including 10 oxycodone pills from her employer and did not provide an explanation to an investigator or the Commission.

Kitsap County

In December 2022 the secretary of health suspended the certified nursing assistant license of **David Njuguna Ngigi** (NC60428371). In April, Ngigi was arrested for assault-domestic violence and harassment-domestic violence. He did not respond to investigators or charges.

Pierce County

In November 2022 the secretary of health revoked the home care aide credential of **Seth Edward Rowe** (HM60414774). Rowe signed for an oxycodone pill delivery for a vulnerable adult and the pills went missing. He did not return to work for several days afterwards and did not show up for his drug test. All other staff tested negative. Also, the Department of Social and Health Services' Adult Protective Services determined that Rowe financially exploited a vulnerable adult.

In December 2022 the Dental Commission suspended the dental assistant license of **Ann Marie Thompson** (D160393313). Thompson practiced without an active credential between December 2007 and June 2013 and between June 2014 and November 2021.

Snohomish County

In December 2022 the secretary of health suspended the certified home care aide license of **Johnathan Duane Jones** (HM60876254). Jones took and drank a bottle of wine from a client's house without permission.

Spokane County

In December 2022 the Nursing Assistant Program and certified nursing assistant **Megan Denise Goodyear** (NC60713498) agreed to an order that denies the reactivation of her credential. In January 2021, Goodyear was convicted of harassment-threat to kill in Kittitas County Superior Court and two counts of violating a no-contact order in the District Court for Lower Kittitas County.

Stevens County

In December 2022 the Veterinary Board of Governors suspended the veterinarian license of **Steven D. Harroun** (VT00002308). Harroun failed to comply with a stipulated agreement that required 30 hours of continuing education. He did not respond to the charges.

Thurston County

In November 2022 the secretary of health suspended the associate mental health counselor and mental health counselor licenses of **Joseph Vincent Cavaleri** (LH60827876, MC60160902). Cavaleri failed to comply with a 2021 order requiring a mental health examination.

In December 2022 the Pharmacy Commission suspended the pharmacy assistant license of **Desiree Peacock** (VB61211534). Peacock failed to respond to an investigator or charges about a complaint alleging she has a substance use problem.

In December 2022 the Nursing Commission suspended the registered nurse license of **Holly J. Nelson** (RN00103235). According to an agreed order that Nelson entered in 2020, Nelson was required to sign a monitoring contract, abstain from using alcohol and mood-altering substances, and participate in random drug testing. In 2021, over several months, Nelson tested positive for tramadol, alcohol, and opiates.

Yakima County

In December 2022 the secretary of health suspended for at least two years the registered nursing assistant license of **Samuel Gonzalez** (NA61163483). The Department of Social and Health Services' Adult Protective Services determined that Gonzalez abused a vulnerable adult.

In December 2022 the secretary of health suspended the medical assistant hemodialysis technician license of **Kenia Sarai Ramirez-Nunez** (HT60835688). Ramirez-Nunez falsified her COVID-19 vaccination card and document and passed it to her employer.

Out of State

Virginia: In December 2022 the Nursing Commission suspended the registered nurse credential of **Ashley Nicole Webb** (RN61149523). In 2021, the Virginia Board of Nursing suspended her registered nurse license and the California Board of Registered Nursing revoked Webb's registered nurse license.

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