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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OLYMPIA -- The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against the following health care providers in our state.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 <u>Washington Medical Commission (WMC) website</u>. Questions about WMC disciplinary actions can be sent to <u>media@wmc.wa.gov</u>.

Information about health care providers is on the agency website. Click on "<u>Health Care</u> <u>Provider Lookup</u>" under the "Find it Fast" section of the <u>Department of Health website</u> (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.

Chelan County

In March 2023 the Nursing Commission reinstated with conditions the registered nurse license of **Sarah E Robins** (RN00176672). Robins must continue participating in a substance use monitoring program until the program determines it is no longer necessary.

Cowlitz County

In March 2023 the Nursing Commission conditionally granted a registered nurse credential to **Kenna Courtaney Lemmons**, also known as Kenna Courtaney Pollock (RN61390637). Lemmons agreed to the conditions, which include enrollment in a substance use monitoring program until the program determines it is no longer necessary.

Grant County

In March 2023 the secretary of health ended probation on the registered nursing assistant license of **Cammy W Zabala** (NA61093493).

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Jefferson County

In March 2023 the Examining Board of Psychology charged psychologist **Jeremy Joseph Senske** (PY60066892) with unprofessional conduct. Senske was in a vehicular collision in 2019 that resulted in serious injuries to both parties. Charges state that Senske did not report to the Department of Health that he pleaded guilty to vehicular assault and driving under the influence, a class B felony and a gross misdemeanor. Senske had a blood alcohol level of 0.31 at the time of the collision.

King County

In March 2023 the secretary of health ended probation on the registered agency affiliated counselor license of **Sayed Ahmed Alalawi** (CG61215455).

In March 2023 the Nursing Commission reinstated with conditions the registered nurse credential of **Sarah Ellen Crissinger** (RN60245875). Crissinger must continue participating in a substance use monitoring program until the program determines it is no longer necessary.

In March 2023 the secretary of health reinstated the registered nursing assistant and certified nursing assistant credentials of **Brandy Marie Legg** (NA60080149, NC60084904).

Lewis County

In March 2023 the secretary of health ended probation on the agency affiliated counselor and substance use disorder professional trainee licenses of **Amber Lee Stamper**, also known as Amber Lee Boehm (CG61096171, CO61070434).

In March 2023 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Courtney C Pennypacker** (NC60766512) with unprofessional conduct. Charges state that in May 2021, Pennypacker used a patient's pre-paid Visa gift card for her own benefit, and allegedly took \$300 in cash from another patient.

In March 2023 the Nursing Commission ended conditions on the licensed practical nurse license of **Shelley Ann Dodge**, also known as Shelley A Dixon (LP00018169).

Pierce County

In March 2023 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Crystal M Schmitt** (NC10081208) with unprofessional conduct. Charges state that in July 2022 Schmitt allegedly admitted to a patient's family that she had been stealing narcotics from the patient. Schmitt has not since responded to any of the Department of Health's attempts to contact her.

In March 2023 the Veterinary Board of Governors ended conditions on the veterinarian license of **Lauren Sue Schairer** (VT60593801).

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Snohomish County

In February 2023 the Department of Health notified **Nicole Jensen-Ramirez** (ME61293959) that she had been issued a medication assistant endorsement credential in error. The department rescinded the credential and moved the status to "pending."

In March 2023 the secretary of health ended probation on the massage therapist license of **Xinjun Wei** (MA60921288).

In March 2023 the secretary of health ended probation on the agency affiliated counselor license of **Nicole Marie Trichler** (CG61076118).

Spokane County

In March 2023 the Agency Affiliated Counselor Program charged agency affiliated counselor **Rachelle Lynn Tafoya** (CG61180383) with unprofessional conduct. Charges state that in November 2022, Tafoya engaged in a sexual relationship with a client.

In March 2023 the secretary of health ended conditions on the license of in-home services agency **RJ Care Services LLC** (FS60016733), doing business as **Care to Stay at Home** and **Jayne Fraser** and **Robert Fraser**.

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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