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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 "[Health Care Provider Lookup](#)" under the "Find it Fast" section of the [Department of Health website](#) (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.

Clark County

In April 2023 the Nursing Commission suspended the registered nurse license of **David Douglas Michael**, also known as **David Douglas Michael** (RN60364730). Michael may not petition for reinstatement for at least 12 months, and prior to reinstatement must undergo a psychological and/or psychiatric evaluation by a Commission-approved evaluator. In February 2020, Michael was convicted of criminal trespass - domestic violence. In June 2021, Michael was convicted of unlawful imprisonment - domestic violence, assault - domestic violence, and interference with reporting of domestic violence.

Cowlitz County

In April 2023 the secretary of health revoked the home care aide license of **Claire Beth Brenner-Williams** (HM60814865). In August 2022, the Department of Social and Health Services' Adult Protective Services determined that Brenner-Williams had financially exploited a vulnerable adult by reporting to have worked when she actually did not.

King County

In April 2023 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse license of **Sara Loren**, also known as **Sara Serena Houghtaling** (RN00140466). Loren may petition for reinstatement but must first participate in a substance use monitoring program's intake process and enrolls, if required by the program. In December 2021, Loren's Vermont credential was suspended as a result of Loren's diversion of fentanyl and hydromorphone. In March 2021, Loren's New Hampshire nursing credential was suspended. In July 2022, Loren's California credential was revoked.

Pierce County

In April 2023 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse license of **Kevin Wayne Stewart** (RN00133403). In June 2022, it was reported to the Commission's Compliance Officer that Stewart had not participated in a substance use monitoring program's intake process as stipulated to in May 2022.

Out of State

Illinois: In April 2023 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the registered nurse license of **Velvet Maria Ware** (RN61242185). Ware may petition for reinstatement if she participates in a substance use monitoring program's intake process and enrolls, if required by the program. In August 2022, Ware's license was suspended by the state of Illinois for testing positive for cocaine during a pre-employment drug screening.

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