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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.

Clark County

In September 2022 the Nursing Assistant Program summarily suspended the certified nursing assistant license of **Blake Matthew Huegel** (NC60314634), pending further disciplinary action. The Department of Social and Health Services' Adult Protective Services determined that Huegel abused a vulnerable adult.

Grant County

In September 2022 the secretary of health suspended the certified nursing assistant and radiologic technologist licenses of **James Wamatu Nganga** (NC60185919, RT60717587). Nganga pled guilty to driving with a suspended license and did not comply with a substance use program contract he had entered as part of an earlier disciplinary action.

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Thurston County

In September 2022 the Nursing Assistant Program summarily suspended the certified nursing assistant license and medication assistant endorsement of **Lora Margaret Dowell** (NC60327456, ME60921107), pending further disciplinary action. The Department of Social and Health Services' Adult Protective Services determined that Dowell neglected a vulnerable adult.

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