



Medical Branch Operations

Out-of-State Medical Professional Temporary Practice Attestation

Thank you for volunteering for the Medical Team at the 2018 Special Olympics USA Games in Seattle July 1-6, 2018. As a licensed health care professional in your home state, you are permitted to practice temporarily in Washington for the duration of the Games, if provisions of the Washington Department of Health laws are met. (RCW §43.70.117)

RCW §43.70.117 authorizes healthcare providers licensed in another United States (U.S.) jurisdiction to practice in Washington State on a limited, volunteer basis even if they don't hold a Washington State credential. The law has very strict limitations on who can practice in Washington State. The provider must meet **all** of the following requirements:

- The volunteer healthcare professional's license must be for a profession substantially equivalent to a profession regulated by a disciplining authority as listed in [RCW 18.130.040](#).
- The volunteer healthcare professional must submit an attestation to the department at least 10 working days (not including Saturday, Sunday and Washington State holidays) in advance of volunteering in Washington State, including anticipated practice dates.
- If the person is volunteering as part of a sponsoring group, the group's name and contact information must be included.
- The healthcare professional must hold a current, **active** license from a U.S. jurisdiction. The license must currently not be subject to any disciplinary action or investigation for criminal or professional misconduct in any jurisdiction.
- The healthcare professional may perform only within the relevant professional scope of practice permitted under Washington State law, or U.S. jurisdiction of licensure, whichever is more restrictive.
- The healthcare professional may not have volunteered in Washington State for more than 30 days in the current calendar year.
- The volunteer healthcare professional may not charge for any time or services performed in Washington State, but a sponsoring organization may pay for travel expenses.

Registration Process

Register as a USA Games medical volunteer at [Medical Volunteer Registration](https://2018sousagamesapps.my-trs.com/)
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You will be asked to create a volunteer account, provide your demographics and professional license information. Following verification of your professional license and other background investigation, you will receive an email from our medical volunteer manager, containing a specific code. Return to the registration site and select the medical shifts you are available for.

Following selection of your volunteer shifts, go to the Department of Health attestation web-page and complete the various pages of the attestation. Click here for attestation [Access Attestation](https://fortress.wa.gov/doh/opinio/s?s=VOLATT)
(<https://fortress.wa.gov/doh/opinio/s?s=VOLATT>)

Read all information and answer each page of questions. You must click “Next” on each page.

Answer the question regarding group affiliation “Yes” and click “Next”

Are you volunteering as part of a sponsoring organization or group?

Yes

No

On the next page, enter this information exactly as shown:

Volunteer Attestation

Organization or Group information:

* Name of Organization or Group	Special Olympics USA Games
* Contact Person	Frank Sebastian
* Address (include city, state and zip code)	2101 4th Ave, #910, Seattle WA 98101
* Phone Number (include area code)	206-899-1425
* Email address	volunteers@emgwa.org

When you have completed the Attestation, click “Submit”

Please email our medical volunteer manager at volunteers@emgwa.org confirming the date you submitted the attestation to the Washington Department of Health. Be sure to complete your attestation no later than June 15, 2018.

Note: We recommend printing a copy of your attestation and the confirmation page at the end of the attestation for your records. Confirmation will not be sent separately. You must meet all the requirements to volunteer. If you don't meet all the above requirements and practice in Washington State, you may be charged with unlicensed practice under [RCW 18.130.190](#). In addition to possible injunctions and civil fines, engaging in unlicensed practice in Washington State constitutes a gross misdemeanor for a first offense, and a Class C felony for repeat offenses ([RCW 18.130.190\(7\)](#)).