



## **APPLICANT NOTIFICATION: WASHINGTON STATE PATROL**

### **CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECK**

**Pursuant to RCW 43.43.830-.842, employees and volunteers who provide service to developmentally disabled persons, vulnerable adults, and/or children under the age of 16, must successfully pass Washington State Patrol criminal history background checks as a condition for licensing or certification. You may be ineligible to pursue certification or licensure in your profession based on the results of the Washington State Patrol criminal history background checks.**

Further, students who are enrolled in an educational program that requires field work experience, clinical training, laboratory experience, or an externship wherein the student will be required to provide service to developmentally disabled persons, vulnerable adults and/or children under the age of 16, will be required to pass Washington State Patrol criminal history background checks prior to clearance for entry to that field work experience, clinical training, laboratory experience, or externship. Inability to participate due to information obtained from the Washington State Patrol criminal history background checks may result in a student's ineligibility to complete the program requirements.

The information obtained will be reviewed by Admissions and, if necessary, the program dean. The clinical sites are particularly interested in physical crimes against persons, personal thefts or, in some cases, a history of drug related issues. The student will be notified immediately if problems are identified. Because certain convictions may prevent you from being eligible for certification/licensure in the profession, it is possible that you could be admitted to, and successfully complete, the program and still be denied certification/licensure. In addition, a criminal background report can create issues beyond program admission. These include:

#### **Eligibility for licensure upon completion of training:**

State authorities can usually provide guidelines **only**. Most applicants for licensure are evaluated on a case by case basis. (In other words, you may/will not receive a definite "yes" or "no" concerning your criminal background issues until **after** you have completed training and apply for your license or certificate.)

#### **Future employment opportunities:**

Completion of a health occupation program **and** licensure/certification by local agencies **does not guarantee employability**. Hiring facilities may still take previous background issues into consideration when choosing new employees and may conduct pre-employment background checks.

If you have any questions or concerns about your ability to pass a Washington State Patrol criminal history background check, pursue your education, or practice in the profession, please make arrangements for a confidential appointment with an Admissions advisor, 360-752-8345.

I have been notified by **BELLINGHAM TECHNICAL COLLEGE** that Washington State Patrol Criminal History Background Checks will be conducted on me.

***I give permission to BELLINGHAM TECHNICAL COLLEGE to release the results of my Washington State Patrol Criminal History Background Checks to the clinical sites to which I will be assigned.***

SIGN AND DATE:

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Signature

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Date

FILL OUT THE REQUIRED INFORMATION BELOW. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.

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Social Security **or** Student ID Number

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Date of Birth

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female

Past Names (Maiden) or aliases:  
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