Nursing and Midwifery Council Investigating Committee

Interim Order Review Hearing Wednesday, 1 May 2024

Virtual Hearing

Kelly Louise Heaney

Name of Registrant:

NMC PIN 9910387N Part(s) of the register: Registered Nurse (Sub Part 1) Adult Nursing – Level 1 – 23 September 2002 **Relevant Location:** Antrim and Newtonabbey Borough Council Panel members: Rama Krishnan (Chair, lay member) Vikki Crickmore (Registrant member) Michael Lupson (Lay member) **Legal Assessor:** Ruth Mann **Hearings Coordinator:** Catherine Blake **Nursing and Midwifery Council:** Represented by Beverley Da Costa, Case Presenter Mrs Heaney: Not present and not represented at the hearing Interim order to be reviewed: Interim conditions of practice order (18 months) Outcome of review: Interim conditions of practice order varied

Decision and reasons on interim order

The panel decided to vary the current interim conditions of practice order.

The panel was of the view that the public would remain suitably protected by the following varied conditions:

'For the purposes of these conditions, 'employment' and 'work' mean any paid or unpaid post in a nursing, midwifery or nursing associate role. Also, 'course of study' and 'course' mean any course of educational study connected to nursing, midwifery or nursing associates.

- You must limit your work either to a single substantive employer or, when working as a bank/agency nurse, you must be allocated to a single place of work for a minimum of 3 months duration and where there is a consistency of supervision.
- You must have fortnightly meetings with your line manager/supervisor/mentor, the purpose of these meetings is to discuss:
 - a) [PRIVATE]
 - b) [PRIVATE]
 - c) Your compliance with these conditions.
- 3. You must obtain a report from your line manager/supervisor/mentor prior to any review of this order, which details your progress in relation to:
 - a) [PRIVATE]
 - b) [PRIVATE]
 - c) Your compliance with these conditions.

You must send your case officer the report prior to any review of this order.

- 4. [PRIVATE]
- 5. [PRIVATE]
- 6. [PRIVATE]
- 7. [PRIVATE]
- 8. You must keep the NMC informed about anywhere you are working by:
 - Telling your case officer within seven days of accepting or leaving any employment.
 - b) Giving your case officer your employer's contact details.
- 9. You must keep the NMC informed about anywhere you are studying by:
 - a) Telling your case officer within seven days of accepting any course of study.
 - b) Giving your case officer the name and contact details of the Agency offering that course of study.
- 10. You must immediately give a copy of these conditions to:
 - a) Any agency or person you work for.
 - b) Any agency you apply to or are registered with for work.
 - c) Any employers you apply to for work (at the time of application).
 - d) Any establishment you apply to (at the time of application), or with which you are already enrolled, for a course of study.
- 11. You must tell your case officer, within seven days of your becoming aware of:
 - a) Any clinical incident you are involved in.
 - b) Any investigation started against you.
 - c) Any disciplinary proceedings taken against you.

- 12. You must allow your case officer to share, as necessary, details about your performance, your compliance with and / or progress under these conditions with:
 - a) Any current or future employer.
 - b) Any educational establishment.
 - c) Any other person(s) involved in your retraining and/or supervision required by these conditions.

The panel decided to confirm this varied interim conditions of practice order and it will run for the remainder of the current interim order.

Unless Mrs Heaney's case has already been concluded, this interim order must be reviewed before the end of the next six months and every six months thereafter. Additionally, Mrs Heaney or the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) may ask for the interim order to be reviewed if any new evidence becomes available that may be relevant to the interim order.

At any review, the reviewing panel may revoke the interim order or any condition of it, it may confirm the interim conditions of practice order, or vary any condition of it, or it may replace the interim conditions of practice order with an interim suspension order.

In certain circumstances, it may be possible for the interim conditions of practice order to be reviewed by a reviewing panel at an administrative meeting. Mrs Heaney's case officer will write to her about this in due course.

The NMC Case Examiners are yet to decide whether there is a case to answer in relation to the allegations made against Mrs Heaney. The NMC will write to Mrs Heaney when the case is ready for the next stage of the fitness to practise process.

This will be confirmed to Mrs Heaney in writing.

That concludes this determination.