

**Nursing and Midwifery Council
Investigating Committee**

**Interim Order Review Hearing
Tuesday, 10 October 2023**

Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant:	Peter Charles Whitehead
NMC PIN	88E1307E
Part(s) of the register:	Registered Nurse – Sub Part 1 Adult Nursing – July 2007 Registered Nurse – Sub Part 2 Mental Health Nursing – July 1993
Relevant Location:	East Riding
Panel members:	Godfried Attafua (Chair, registrant member) Sandra Norburn (Lay member) Cheryl Hobson (Lay member)
Legal Assessor:	Monica Daley
Hearings Coordinator:	Tom Kerr
Nursing and Midwifery Council:	Represented by Alastair Kennedy, Case Presenter
Mr Whitehead:	Not present and unrepresented at the hearing
Interim order to be reviewed:	Interim conditions of practice order (18 months)
Outcome of review:	Interim conditions of practice order confirmed

Decision and reasons on interim order

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

The panel noted that Mr Whitehead is not currently practising as a nurse, however, the panel was of the view that the public would remain suitably protected by the continuation of the following conditions should Mr Whitehead decide to resume his practice as a nurse:

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.

- 1. You must not undertake a management position in any organisation providing nursing services.*
- 2. You must ensure that you are supervised by another registered nurse any time you are working as a registered nurse. Your supervision must consist of working at all times on the same shift as, but not always directly observed by another registered nurse.*
- 3. You must meet with your line manager, mentor or supervisor (or their nominated deputy) at least every 4 weeks to discuss the standard of your performance, with particular reference to:*
 - a) Management of deteriorating patients;*
 - b) Escalating concerns, particularly in regard to safeguarding;*
 - c) Care planning; and*
 - d) Communication.*

4. You must send a report from your line manager, mentor or supervisor (or their nominated deputy) setting out the standard of your performance with particular reference to:

- a) Management of deteriorating patients;
- b) Escalating concerns, particularly in regard to safeguarding;
- c) Care planning; and
- d) Communication.

5. You must tell the NMC within 7 days of any nursing appointment (whether paid or unpaid) you accept within the UK or elsewhere, and provide the NMC with contact details of your employer;

6. You must tell the NMC about any professional investigation started against you and/or any professional disciplinary proceedings taken against you within 7 days of you receiving notice of them;

7. You must:

a) Within 7 days of accepting any post or employment requiring registration with the NMC, or any course of study connected with nursing or midwifery, provide the NMC with the name/contact details of the individual or organisation offering the post, employment or course of study;

b) Within 7 days of entering into any arrangements required by these conditions of practice provide the NMC with the name and contact details of the individual/organisation with whom you have entered into the arrangement;

8. You must immediately tell the following parties that you are subject to a conditions of practice order under the NMC's fitness to practise procedures, and disclose the conditions listed at (1) to (7) above, to them:

- a) Any organisation or person employing, contracting with, or using you to undertake nursing work;*
- b) Any agency you are registered with or apply to be registered with (at the time of application) to provide nursing services;*
- c) Any prospective employer (at the time of application) where you are applying for any nursing appointment; and*
- d) Any educational establishment at which you are undertaking a course of study connected with nursing or midwifery, or any such establishment to which you apply to take such a course (at the time of application).*

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

Unless Mr Whitehead'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, Mr Whitehead or the 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. Mr Whitehead's case officer will write to him 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 Mr Whitehead. The NMC will write to Mr Whitehead when the case is ready for the next stage of the fitness to practise process.

This will be confirmed to Mr Whitehead in writing.

That concludes this determination.