Nursing and Midwifery Council Investigating Committee

Interim Order Review Hearing Wednesday, 7 August 2024

Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant: Paul James Seneviratne

NMC PIN: 9614744E

Part(s) of the register: Registered Nurse - Learning Disabilities

RNLD (October 1999)

Relevant Location: Staffordshire

Panel members: Katriona Crawley (Chair, Lay member)

Helen Hughes (Registrant member)

Sandra Norburn (Lay member)

Legal Assessor: Nicholas Baldock

Hearings Coordinator: John Kennedy

Nursing and Midwifery Council: Represented by Ilana Hirschberg, Case

Presenter

Mr Seneviratne: Not present and unrepresented at this hearing

Interim order to be reviewed: Interim suspension order (18 months)

Outcome of review: Interim suspension order confirmed

Decision and reasons on interim order

The panel decided to confirm the current interim suspension order.

Unless there has been a material change of circumstances, a reviewing panel will review the interim suspension order at an administrative meeting within the next six months. A reviewing panel will be invited by the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) to confirm the interim suspension order at this meeting and Mr Seneviratne will be notified of that panel's decision in writing following that meeting.

Alternatively, Mr Seneviratne is entitled to have the interim suspension order reviewed at a hearing. This means that Mr Seneviratne will be able to attend and make representations, send a representative on Mr Seneviratne's behalf or submit written representations about whether the interim order continues to be necessary. Mr Seneviratne must inform his case officer if he would like the interim suspension order to be reviewed at a hearing.

Even if Mr Seneviratne does not request a hearing, where there has been a material change of circumstances that might mean that the interim order should be revoked or replaced, a reviewing panel will review the interim suspension order at a hearing which Mr Seneviratne and his representative will be invited to attend.

Mr Seneviratne should notify the NMC immediately of any material change of circumstances that may affect the interim order.

At any time, Mr Seneviratne or the NMC may ask for the interim order to be reviewed by a panel if any relevant new information becomes available.

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

This will be confirmed to Mr Seneviratne in writing.

That concludes this determination.