Nursing and Midwifery Council Investigating Committee

Interim Order Review Hearing Thursday, 29 August 2024

Virtual Hearing

Emma Ward Name of Registrant: **NMC PIN** 11E0567E Part(s) of the register: Registered Nurse – Sub Part 1 Adult Nursing (Level 2) - 09 August 2011 **Relevant Location:** Wiltshire Panel members: Christopher Taylor (Chair, Registrant Member) Alison Fisher (Lay Member) David Brown (Lay Member) **Legal Assessor:** Tim Bradbury **Hearings Coordinator:** Angela Nkansa-Dwamena **Nursing and Midwifery Council:** Represented by Eleanor Gwilym, Case Presenter Mrs Ward: 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 confirmed

Decision and reasons on interim order

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

The panel was of the view that the public would remain suitably protected by the continuation of the following 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.

1. [PRIVATE]

- You must limit your nursing practice to one substantive employer which should not be an agency.
- 3. You must not be the nurse in charge of any shift.
- 4. You must ensure that you are supervised by another registered nurse at any time you are working. Your supervision must consist of:
 - a) Working at all times on the same shift as, but not always directly observed by a registered nurse.
 - b) If working in the private home of any service user, you must be directly supervised at all times.
- 5. You must meet monthly with your line manager, supervisor or mentor to discuss [PRIVATE], [PRIVATE] and performance.
- 6. [PRIVATE]

- 7. You must send your case officer a report from your line manager, supervisor or mentor commenting on [PRIVATE], [PRIVATE] and performance prior to any review.
- 8. [PRIVATE]
- 9. [PRIVATE]
- 10. 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.
- 11. You must keep the NMC informed about anywhere you are studying by:
 - Telling your case officer within seven days of accepting any course of study.
 - Giving your case officer the name and contact details of the organisation offering that course of study.
- 12. You must immediately give a copy of these conditions to:
 - a) Any organisation or person you work for.
 - b) 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.
 - e) Any current or prospective patients or clients you intend to see or care for when you are working independently.

- 13. 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.
- 14. 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.
 - Any other person(s) involved in your retraining and/or supervision required by these conditions.

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

Unless Mrs Ward'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 Ward 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 Ward'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 Ward. The NMC will write to Mrs Ward when the case is ready for the next stage of the fitness to practise process.

This will be confirmed to Mrs Ward in writing.

That concludes this determination.