

**Nursing and Midwifery Council
Investigating Committee**

**Interim Order Review Hearing
12 August 2024**

Nursing and Midwifery Council
2 Stratford Place, Montfichet Road, London, E20 1EJ
10 George Street, Edinburgh, EH2 2PF

Name of Registrant:	Matthew James Wharton
NMC PIN	21J0046W
Part(s) of the register:	Registered Nurse Mental Health- RNMH- November 2021
Relevant Location:	Manchester
Panel members:	Mahjabeen Agha (Chair, Lay member) Jessica Read (Registrant member) Sally Pezaro (Registrant member)
Legal Assessor:	William Hoskins
Hearings Coordinator:	Sophie Cubillo-Barsi
Nursing and Midwifery Council:	Represented by Counsel, Anna Draper, Case Presenter
Mr Wharton:	Not present and unrepresented
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 NMC to confirm the interim suspension order at this meeting and Mr Wharton will be notified of that panel's decision in writing following that meeting.

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

Even if Mr Wharton 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 Wharton and his representative will be invited to attend.

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

At any time Mr Wharton 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 Wharton. The NMC will write to Mr Wharton when the case is ready for the next stage of the fitness to practise process.

This will be confirmed to Mr Wharton in writing.

That concludes this determination.