## Nursing and Midwifery Council Investigating Committee

## New Interim Order Hearing Tuesday, 14 May 2024

Virtual Hearing

Nicholas Okezie Akagha

Name of Registrant:

**NMC PIN:** 21L1960O Part(s) of the register: Registered Nurse Adult Nursing – 29 December 2021 **Relevant Location:** Hertfordshire Panel members: Sarah Tozzi (Chair, lay member) Carole Panteli (Registrant member) David Brown (Lay member) **Legal Assessor:** Paul Hester **Hearings Coordinator:** Khatra Ibrahim **Nursing and Midwifery Council:** Represented by Sophie Ewulo, Case Presenter Mr Akagha: Present and represented by Kevin Saunders, counsel Interim order directed: Interim conditions of practice order (18

months)

## Decision and reasons on interim order

The panel decided to make an interim conditions of practice order for a period of 18 months.

The panel has determined that the following conditions are proportionate and appropriate:

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 work for one substantive employer, this must not be an agency.
- 2. You must not be the sole nurse or the registered nurse in charge of any shift.
- You must ensure that you are supervised by a registered nurse any time
  you are working. Your supervision must consist of working at all times on
  the same shift as, but not always directly observed by, a registered
  nurse.
- 4. You must be directly supervised by another registered nurse anytime you dispense or administer medication, until you have been assessed and deemed competent to do so by a registered nurse.
- A copy of the competency assessment relating to dispensing and administering medication must be provided by you to the NMC before any future review hearing.
- 6. You must meet with your line manager, supervisor or mentor fortnightly for the first three months, and then at least monthly thereafter. You must discuss:

- a) Safe medicines practice
- b) Clinical observations
- c) Record keeping
- d) Communication with colleagues and patients.
- 7. You must provide a report from your line manager or supervisor to the NMC before any review hearing, addressing:
  - a) Safe medicines practice
  - b) Clinical observations
  - c) Record keeping
  - d) Communication with colleagues and patients.
- 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:
  - 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 organisation offering that course of study.
- 10. 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).
  - c) 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.
  - Any other person(s) involved in your retraining and/or supervision required by these conditions.

Unless your 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, you 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 a panel may revoke the interim order or any condition of it, it may confirm the interim order, or vary any condition of it, or it may replace the interim conditions of practice order with an interim suspension order.

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

This will be confirmed to you in writing.

That concludes this determination.