

Nursing and Midwifery Council

Agreed Removal Decision

Registrant: Elizabeth Mary Drackford

PIN: 85E2073E

Part(s) of the register: Registered Nurse - Adult Nursing

Relevant Location: Devon

On 9 May 2023 we received a referral raising a concern about Elizabeth Mary Drackford's fitness to practise.

It's alleged that Elizabeth Mary Drackford attended work when she wasn't fit to carry out her duties, and that her record keeping and medication practice was poor. The referral also gave rise to a concern that Elizabeth Mary Drackford has a health condition capable of impairing her fitness to practise.

Elizabeth Mary Drackford has decided to apply for her name to be removed from the NMC register after 36 years of being a registered nurse. In her response to the NMC, Elizabeth Mary Drackford has told us about the impact her workload had upon her. Elizabeth Mary Drackford recognises that her behaviour at work was misjudged but doesn't accept that this resulted in her being unfit to work. She does agree that her record keeping and medication practice was poor.

We investigated the issues raised with us and the matter is awaiting referral to our case examiners.

No allegation against Elizabeth Mary Drackford has yet been found substantively proved by one of our statutory committees.

On 12 October 2023 we received an application from Elizabeth Mary Drackford for agreed removal from the NMC register. This was received before we had completed our investigation into the concerns raised.

ASSISTANT REGISTRAR'S DECISION

As an Assistant Registrar, I have delegated authority to make decisions about agreed removal and have agreed to removal from the NMC register in this case.

In accordance with Rule 14 of the Nursing and Midwifery Council (Education, Registration and Registration Appeals) Rules 2004, in considering Elizabeth Mary Drackford's application for agreed removal, I've taken into account:

- comments received from the person that made the allegation against Elizabeth Mary Drackford
- documents obtained in the course of the NMC's investigation

- the interests of Elizabeth Mary Drackford
- the public interest.

I'm satisfied that:

- Elizabeth Mary Drackford no longer intends to work as a registered nurse
- the allegations against Elizabeth Mary Drackford are not so serious as to be fundamentally incompatible with continued registration
- there are no other good reasons requiring us to consider the allegations further at this time
- the public interest is best served by agreeing the application for removal and enabling Elizabeth Mary Drackford to leave the NMC register.

We'll publish a record of this decision for twelve months from the date of the decision, 19 November 2024. In the event that Elizabeth Mary Drackford seeks readmission to the register, we may consider the matters that led to this agreed removal further.