## **Nursing and Midwifery Council Fitness to Practise Committee**

## Interim Order Review Hearing Wednesday, 27 November 2024

## Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant:

Outcome of review:

Bethan Maria Howell

Interim conditions of practice order

NMC PIN: 8910027W Part(s) of the register: Registered Nurse – Sub Part 1 Adult Nursing – 8 November 1992 Panel members: Derek McFaull (Chair, Lay member) Melanie Lumbers (Registrant member) Susan Ellerby (Lay member) Hala Helmi **Legal Assessor:** Zahra Khan **Hearings Coordinator: Nursing and Midwifery Council:** Represented by Shaun McPhee, Case Presenter Mrs Howell: Not present and not represented at the hearing Interim order to be reviewed: Interim conditions of practice order (12 months)

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.

- You will confine your nursing practice to the Care Home that currently employs you and to working day shifts only.
- You must ensure that you are supervised by another 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 another registered nurse.
- 3. You must be directly supervised by another registered nurse when administering medication.
- You must send a report from your supervisor or line manager before any NMC Review Hearing commenting on your conduct and performance.
- 5. [PRIVATE]
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- 8. [PRIVATE]
- 9. [PRIVATE]
- 10. [PRIVATE]
- 11. [PRIVATE]
- 12. You must keep the NMC informed about anywhere you are working by:
  - a) Telling your case officer within seven days of accepting or leaving any employment.
  - b) Giving your case officer your employer's contact details.
- 13. 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.
- 14. You must immediately give a copy of these conditions to:
  - a) Any organisation or person you work for.
  - Any agency you apply to or are registered with for work.
  - c) 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.
- 15. 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.
- 16. 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 Howell'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 Howell or the 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 Howell's case officer will write to her about this in due course.

A panel of the Fitness to Practise Committee has still to deal with the allegations made against Mrs Howell. The NMC will keep Mrs Howell informed of developments in relation to that issue.

This will be confirmed to Mrs Howell in writing.

That concludes this determination.