Nursing and Midwifery Council Investigating Committee

Interim Order Review Hearing Thursday, 10 October 2024

Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant: Charlotte Louise Austin

NMC PIN 03C0003S

Part(s) of the register: Registered Nurse – Sub Part 1

Adult Nurse (Level 1) – 3 September 2006

Nurse Independent / Supplementary

Prescriber - 14 March 2018

Relevant Location: Middlesborough

Panel members: Nariane Chantler (Chair, Registrant member)

Carolyn Jenkinson (Registrant member)

Louise Geldart (Lay member)

Legal Assessor: Andrew Reid

Hearings Coordinator: Sabrina Khan

Nursing and Midwifery Council: Represented by Giedrius Kabasinskas, Case

Presenter

Miss Austin: Not present and not represented at this

hearing

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 Miss Austin will be notified of that panel's decision in writing following that meeting.

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

Even if Miss Austin 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 Miss Austin and her representative will be invited to attend.

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

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

This will be confirmed to Miss Austin in writing. That concludes this determination.