Nursing and Midwifery Council Fitness to Practise Committee

Interim Order Review Hearing Wednesday 23 October 2024

Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant: **David Andrew Gowing NMC PIN:** 13A0594E Part(s) of the register: Registered Nurse – Sub Part 1 Mental Health Nursing (Level 1) – 22 February 2014 **Relevant Location:** Hertfordshire Panel members: John Vellacott (Chair, lay member) Mary Karasu (Registrant member) Angela Kell (Lay member) **Legal Assessor:** Peter Jennings **Hearings Coordinator:** Sophie Cubillo-Barsi **Nursing and Midwifery Council:** Represented by Nawazish Choudhury, Case Presenter Not present. Represented by Zoe Wilson, of Mr Gowing: **National Employees Union** Interim order to be reviewed: Interim conditions of practice order (18 months) Outcome of review: Interim conditions of practice order

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 implementation 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 must be employed by one single substantive employer which must not be through Bank or an Agency.
- 2. You must ensure that you are chaperoned any time you have direct patient contact.
- 3. You must meet monthly with your line manager, mentor or supervisor to discuss:
 - a) Your maintenance of professional boundaries
 - b) Your conduct and performance
 - c) Your compliance with these conditions
- 4. You must obtain a report from your line manager, mentor or supervisor and send it to the NMC prior to any review hearing outlining:
 - a) Your maintenance of professional boundaries
 - b) Your conduct and performance
 - c) Your compliance with these conditions
- 5. You must keep the NMC informed about anywhere you are working by:
 - Telling your NMC case officer within seven days leaving your employment.
 - b) Giving your NMC case officer your employer's contact details.

- 6. You must keep the NMC informed about anywhere you are studying by:
 - Telling your NMC case officer within seven days of accepting any course of study.
 - b) Giving your NMC case officer the name and contact details of the organisation offering that course of study.
- 7. You must immediately give a copy of these conditions to:
 - a) Your current employer.
 - b) Any establishment you apply to (at the time of application), or with which you are already enrolled, for a course of study.
- 8. You must tell your NMC 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.
- 9. You must allow your NMC case officer to share, as necessary, details about your performance, your compliance with and / or progress under these conditions with:
 - a) Your current employer.
 - b) Any educational establishment.
 - c) 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 Mr Gowing'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, Mr Gowing 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 a meeting on the papers. Mr Gowing's case officer will write to him about this in due course.

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

This will be confirmed to Mr Gowing in writing.

That concludes this determination.