

**Nursing and Midwifery Council
Investigating Committee**

**New Interim Order Hearing
Wednesday, 5 February 2025**

Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant:	Bimalee Sinhalage
NMC PIN:	24D02740
Part(s) of the register:	Registered Nurse Adult – RNA – April 2024
Relevant Location:	East Lancashire
Panel members:	Maureen Gunn (Chair, Registrant member) Debbie Holroyd (Registrant member) Dee Rogers (Lay member)
Legal Assessor:	Simon Walsh
Hearings Coordinator:	Zahra Khan
Nursing and Midwifery Council:	Represented by Alastair Kennedy, Case Presenter
Ms Sinhalage:	Present and not represented at this hearing
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 determined that the imposition of 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.

1. You must not work for an agency or as a 'bank' nurse.
2. You must ensure that you are supervised by a registered nurse any time you are working. This means working at all times while being directly observed by a registered nurse.
3. You must meet with your line manager, mentor, or supervisor on a fortnightly basis to discuss your performance in the following areas:
 - Communication (to include written, verbal, and listening skills).
 - Medication administration and management.
 - Record keeping.
 - Patient assessment.
 - Clinical decision making.
4. You must send a report from your line manager, mentor, or supervisor to your case officer before any future NMC hearing. This report must comment on your performance in the following areas:

- Communication (to include written, verbal, and listening skills).
 - Medication administration and management.
 - Record keeping.
 - Patient assessment.
 - Clinical decision making.
5. 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.
6. You must keep the NMC informed about anywhere you are studying by:
- a) 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.
7. 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.
8. 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.
9. 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.

The panel decided to make this interim order for a period of 18 months as the NMC is in its early stages of investigation.

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 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 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.