

**Nursing and Midwifery Council
Investigating Committee**

**New Interim Order Hearing
Friday 10 May 2024**

Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant:	Victoria Louise Stopps
NMC PIN	21G0484E
Part(s) of the register:	Registered Midwife Midwifery – 04 October 2022
Relevant Location:	Hertfordshire
Panel members:	Rama Krishnan (Chair, lay member) Hayley Ball (Registrant member) Elaine Weinbren (Lay member)
Legal Assessor:	John Bassett
Hearings Coordinator:	Brenda Eze
Nursing and Midwifery Council:	Represented by Ben Edwards, Case Presenter
Mrs Stopps:	Not present and unrepresented at the hearing
Interim order directed:	Interim suspension order (18 months)

Decision and reasons on interim order

The panel decided to make an interim suspension order for a period of 18 months.

Unless Mrs Stopps' case has already been concluded or there has been a material change of circumstances, a panel will review the interim suspension order at a review meeting within the next six months and every six months thereafter. A panel will be invited by the NMC to confirm the interim suspension order at this meeting and Mrs Stopps will be notified of the panel's decision in writing following that meeting.

Where there has been a material change of circumstances that might mean that the order should be revoked or replaced, or there has been a request for an early review, a panel will review the interim order at a hearing which Mrs Stopps will be invited to attend in person, send a representative on Mrs Stopps' behalf or submit written representations for the panel to consider. At any such review hearing the panel may revoke the interim order, it may confirm the interim suspension order or it may replace it with an interim conditions of practice order.

The NMC Case Examiners are yet to decide whether there is a case to answer in relation to the allegations made against Mrs Stopps. The NMC will write to Mrs Stopps when the case is ready for the next stage of the fitness to practise process.

This will be confirmed to Mrs Stopps in writing.

That concludes this determination.