

Disposal details

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Decision on Warning

On 24 January 2021 while providing home care you attempted to remove a child's tracheostomy tapes alone, even though you knew this to be a two-person procedure for safety reasons.

This conduct does not meet with the standards expected of nurses, midwives and nursing associates and could undermine public confidence in the professional standards of nursing and midwifery professions. The Code set out the relevant standards of practice and behaviour at paragraphs: 10, 10.2, 10.3, 10.4, 13, 13.1, 19, 19.1, 20, 20.1, and 20.2.

10 Keep clear and accurate records relevant to your practice

10.2 identify any risks or problems that have arisen and the steps taken to deal with them, so that colleagues who use the records have all the information they need

10.3 complete records accurately and without any falsification, taking immediate and appropriate action if you become aware that someone has not kept to these requirements

10.4 attribute any entries you make in any paper or electronic records to yourself, making sure they are clearly written, dated and timed, and do not include unnecessary abbreviations, jargon or speculation

13 Recognise and work within the limits of your competence

13.1 accurately identify, observe and assess signs of normal or worsening physical and mental health in the person receiving care

19 Be aware of, and reduce as far as possible, any potential for harm associated with your practice

To achieve this, you must:

19.1 take measures to reduce as far as possible, the likelihood of mistakes, near misses, harm and the effect of harm if it takes place

20 Uphold the reputation of your profession at all times

20.1 Keep to and uphold the standards and values set out in the Code.

20.2 act with honesty and integrity at all times, treating people fairly and without discrimination, bullying or harassment.

You have shown insight into your conduct and have addressed any risks in your practice. You are not considered to present a

current risk to patients or public confidence.