## Nursing and Midwifery Council Investigating Committee

## Interim Order Review Hearing Tuesday 19 December 2023

Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant: Christine Dunn

NMC PIN 08L0079E

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

Mental Health Nursing (Level 1) – 24 January

2009

Relevant Location: Newcastle City

Panel members: Sarah Tozzi (Chair, lay member)

Sally Pezaro (Registrant member)

Geoffrey Baines (Lay member)

Legal Assessor: Gelaga King

**Hearings Coordinator:** Brenda Eze

Nursing and Midwifery Council: Represented by Beverley Da Costa, Case

Presenter

Mrs Dunn: Not present and unrepresented at the 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 Mrs Dunn will be notified of that panel's decision in writing following that meeting.

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

Even if Mrs Dunn 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 Mrs Dunn and her representative will be invited to attend.

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

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

This will be confirmed to Mrs Dunn in writing.

That concludes this determination.