## Nursing and Midwifery Council Investigating Committee

## Interim Order Review Meeting Tuesday, 23 April 2024

## Virtual Meeting

Name of Registrant: Christopher Thomas Higgins

**NMC PIN** 11L0716E

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

Mental Health Nursing (Level 1) – 10 February

2012

Relevant Location: Armagh

Panel members: Jill Wells (Chair, lay member)

Judith Francois (Registrant member)

Stephanie Hayle (Lay member)

**Hearings Coordinator:** Monowara Begum

**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 panel will review the interim suspension order at an administrative meeting within the next six months. The reviewing panel will be invited by the NMC to confirm the order at this meeting and Mr Higgins will be notified of that panel's decision in writing following that meeting.

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

Even if Mr Higgins does not request a hearing, where there has been a material change of circumstances that might mean that the order should be revoked or replaced, a panel will review the order at a hearing to which Mr Higgins and his representative will be invited to attend.

This decision will be confirmed to Mr Higgins in writing.

That concludes this determination.