

# **Nursing and Midwifery Council**

## **Agreed Removal Decision**

**Registrant:** Michael John Prior

**PIN:** 81Y2544E

**Part(s) of the register:** Registered Nurse - Adult Nursing

**Relevant Location:** Hampshire

On 13 October 2023 we received a referral raising a concern about Michael John Prior's fitness to practise. It's alleged that Michael John Prior:

- breached professional boundaries with a patient
- made an unprofessional comment to a colleague
- didn't support a colleague when a patient touched them inappropriately.

Michael John Prior has made partial admissions to the concerns.

We investigated the issue and the matter was referred to the Fitness to Practise Committee. No allegation against Michael John Prior has yet been found substantively proved by one of our statutory committees.

On 20 October 2025 we received an application from Michael John Prior for agreed removal from the NMC register.

### **ASSISTANT REGISTRAR'S DECISION**

As an Assistant Registrar, I have delegated authority to make decisions about agreed removal and have agreed to removal from the NMC register in this case.

In accordance with Rule 14 of the Nursing and Midwifery Council (Education, Registration and Registration Appeals) Rules 2004, in considering Michael John Prior's application for agreed removal, I've considered:

- Michael John Prior's application for agreed removal
- documents obtained in the course of our investigation
- the interests of Michael John Prior
- the public interest.

We sought to contact the person who made the allegation against Michael John Prior for their comments on the application for agreed removal. No comments were received within a reasonable period.

I'm satisfied that:

- Michael John Prior no longer intends to work as a registered nurse
- although the allegations against Michael John Prior are serious, they aren't likely to result in a striking-off order
- there are no other good reasons requiring us to consider the allegations further at this time
- the public interest is best served by agreeing the application for removal and enabling Michael John Prior to leave the NMC register.

We'll publish a record of this decision for twelve months from the date of the decision, 2 December 2025. In the event that Michael John Prior seeks readmission to the register, we may consider the matters that led to this agreed removal further.