

Nursing and Midwifery Council

Agreed Removal Decision

Registrant: Shirley Elaine Quinn

PIN: 93J0060N

Part(s) of the register: Registered Nurse - Mental Health, Specialist Practitioner - Mental Health

Relevant Location: County Antrim

On 18 September 2023, we received a referral raising a concern about Shirley Elaine Quinn's fitness to practise. It's alleged that Shirley Elaine Quinn:

- breached confidentiality
- displayed unprofessional behaviour
- failed to work co-operatively with others
- failed to prioritise and manage her workload effectively.

Shirley Elaine Quinn doesn't accept the concerns. In relation to the alleged breach of confidentiality and unprofessional behaviour, she said that she talked about a difficult situation for peer support/guidance and that it was commonplace to check in with colleagues on cases that had been handed over. She provided information about the working environment and the impact of a number of different managers in a short space of time. She also described feeling let down and unsupported by management.

The case has been referred to our case examiners but the NMC investigation isn't finished. No allegation against Shirley Elaine Quinn has yet been found substantively proved by one of our statutory committees.

On 17 March 2025, we received an application from Shirley Elaine Quinn 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 Shirley Elaine Quinn's application for agreed removal, I've taken into account:

- the agreed removal application form and supporting documents
- the NMC referral form and information obtained during the NMC investigation to date

- the interests of Shirley Elaine Quinn
- the public interest.

We contacted the person who made the allegation against Shirley Elaine Quinn for their comments on the application for agreed removal. They decided not to comment.

I'm satisfied that:

- Shirley Elaine Quinn no longer intends to work as a registered nurse
- there's enough information to make a decision about the seriousness of the concerns and the public interest in agreeing removal without completing our investigation
- the allegations against Shirley Elaine Quinn 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 Shirley Elaine Quinn to leave the NMC register.

We'll publish a record of this decision for twelve months from the date of the decision, **31 October 2025**. In the event that Shirley Elaine Quinn seeks readmission to the register, we may consider the matters that led to this agreed removal further.