

Nursing and Midwifery Council

Agreed Removal Decision

Registrant: Sarah Jane Mcewan

PIN: 1111586S

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

Relevant Location: Midlothian

On 5 February 2025 we received a referral raising a concern about Sarah Jane Mcewan's fitness to practise. The referral alleged that during one shift Sarah Jane Mcewan stole medication and consumed it while at work.

The matter was referred to our case examiners. The NMC investigation hasn't finished and the case examiners are yet to decide whether there's a case to answer.

No allegation against Sarah Jane Mcewan has yet been found substantively proved by one of our statutory committees.

On 9 May 2025 we received an application from Sarah Jane Mcewan 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 Sarah Jane Mcewan's application for agreed removal, I've taken into account:

- comments received from the person that made the allegation against Sarah Jane Mcewan dated 14 May 2025
- agreed removal application dated 8 May 2025
- fitness to practise referral and supporting documentation from the Home
- information obtained as part of investigation to date
- the interests of Sarah Jane Mcewan
- the public interest.

I'm satisfied that:

- 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

- Sarah Jane Mcewan accepts the concerns and has demonstrated insight and reflected on her actions
- the concerns appear to relate to one shift and there isn't information to suggest longstanding deception
- the medication belonged to deceased residents which was being returned and didn't compromise the medication of other residents
- there is no evidence of a deep-seated attitudinal problem
- Sarah Jane Mcewan no longer intends to work as a registered nurse
- the allegations against Sarah Jane Mcewan although serious 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 Sarah Jane Mcewan to leave the NMC register.

We'll publish a record of this decision for twelve months from the date of the decision, 03 September 2025. In the event that Sarah Jane Mcewan seeks readmission to the register, we may consider the matters that led to this agreed removal further.