

Nursing and Midwifery Council

Agreed Removal Decision

Registrant: Sharan Rutherford

PIN: 09K1200E

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

Relevant Location: County Durham

On 27 November 2023 we received a referral raising a concern about Sharan Rutherford's fitness to practise. It's alleged that there was a failure to identify the need to escalate a patient injury to emergency services following a fall, and a failure to record or undertake appropriate levels of clinical observations and update other records.

We referred the matter to the case examiners and we're in the process of investigating the concerns. No allegation against Sharan Rutherford has yet been found substantively proved by one of our statutory committees, however, Sharan Rutherford has accepted the concerns.

On 4 March 2026 we received an application from Sharan Rutherford 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 Sharan Rutherford's application for agreed removal, I've taken into account:

- comments received from the person who made the allegation against Sharan Rutherford
- documents relating to the incident
- the interests of Sharan Rutherford
- the public interest.

I'm satisfied that:

- Sharan Rutherford no longer intends to work as a registered nurse
- the allegations against Sharan Rutherford 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 Sharan Rutherford to leave the NMC register.

We'll publish a record of this decision for twelve months from the date of the decision, **24 August 2026**. In the event that Sharan Rutherford seeks readmission to the register, we may consider the matters that led to this agreed removal further.