

**Nursing and Midwifery Council
Investigating Committee**

**Interim Order Review Hearing
Thursday 18 June 2026**

Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant:	Katharine Eleanor Hughes
NMC PIN:	0017623E
Part(s) of the register:	Registered Nurse – Sub Part 1 Adult Nursing (Level 1) – 27 September 2003
Panel members:	Mahjabeen Agha (Chair, lay member) Judith Francois (Registrant member) Emma Lynch (Lay member)
Legal Assessor:	Ben Stephenson
Hearings Coordinator:	Shela Begum
Nursing and Midwifery Council:	Represented by James Holloway, Case Presenter
Miss Hughes:	Not present and unrepresented
Interim order to be reviewed:	Interim conditions of practice order (18 months)
Outcome of review:	Interim conditions of practice order replaced with suspension order

Decision and reasons on interim order

The panel decided to replace the current interim conditions of practice order with an interim suspension order.

Unless there has been a material change of circumstances, a reviewing panel will review the interim suspension order at an administrative meeting within the next six months. A reviewing panel will be invited by the NMC to confirm the interim suspension order at this meeting and Miss Hughes will be notified of that panel's decision in writing following that meeting.

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

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

Miss Hughes should notify the NMC immediately of any material change of circumstances that may affect the interim order.

At any time, Miss Hughes or the NMC may ask for the interim order to be reviewed by a panel if any relevant new information becomes available.

The NMC Case Examiners are yet to decide whether there is a case to answer in relation to the allegations made against Miss Hughes. The NMC will write to Miss Hughes when the case is ready for the next stage of the fitness to practise process.

This will be confirmed to Miss Hughes in writing.

That concludes this determination.