

**Nursing and Midwifery Council
Investigating Committee**

**Interim Order Review Hearing
Monday, 22 June 2026**

Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant:	Andrew Brian Smith
NMC PIN:	11E0252E
Part(s) of the register:	Registered Nurse – Sub Part 1 Adult Nursing (Level 1) 12 September 2011
Relevant Location:	South Tyneside
Panel members:	Ingrid Lee (Chair, lay member) Yvonne Thomson (Registrant member) Elaine Weinbren (Lay member)
Legal Assessor:	Megan Ashworth
Hearings Coordinator:	Andrew Ormsby
Nursing and Midwifery Council:	Represented by Ms Safeena Rashid, Case Presenter
Mr Smith:	Not present and representative not present
Interim order to be reviewed:	Interim suspension order (18 months)
Outcome of review:	Interim suspension order confirmed

Decision and reasons on interim order

The panel decided to confirm the current interim suspension.

Unless there has been a material change of circumstances, a reviewing panel will review the interim suspension order at an administrative meeting.

A reviewing panel will be invited by the NMC to confirm the interim suspension order at this meeting and Mr Smith will be notified of that panel's decision in writing following that meeting.

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

Even if Mr Smith 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 Mr Smith and his representative will be invited to attend.

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

At any time, Mr Smith 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 Mr Smith. The NMC will write to Mr Smith when the case is ready for the next stage of the fitness to practise process.

This will be confirmed to Mr Smith in writing.

That concludes this determination.