

**Nursing and Midwifery Council
Investigating Committee**

**New Interim Order Hearing
Tuesday, 26 September 2023**

Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant:	Linda Mary Ford
NMC PIN	01F0078E
Part(s) of the register:	Registered Nurse – Adult RNA – June 2004
Relevant Location:	Cheshire
Panel members:	Rama Krishnan (Chair, Lay member) Godfried Attafua (Registrant member) Cheryl Hobson (Lay member)
Legal Assessor:	Charles Conway
Hearings Coordinator:	Catherine Blake
Nursing and Midwifery Council:	Represented by Alex Radley, Case Presenter
Miss Ford:	Not present, and not represented at the hearing.
Interim order directed:	Interim suspension order (18 months)

Decision and reasons on interim order

The panel decided to make an interim suspension order for a period of 18 months.

Unless Miss Ford's case has already been concluded or there has been a material change of circumstances, a panel will review the interim suspension order at a review meeting within the next six months and every six months thereafter. The reviewing panel will be invited by the NMC to confirm the interim suspension order at this meeting. Miss Ford will be notified of the panel's decision in writing following that meeting.

Where there has been a material change of circumstances that might mean that the order should be revoked or replaced, or there has been a request for an early review, a panel will review the interim order at a hearing which Miss Ford will be invited to attend in person, send a representative on her behalf or submit written representations for the panel to consider. At any such review hearing the reviewing panel may revoke the interim order, it may confirm the interim suspension order or it may replace it with an interim conditions of practice order.

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

This will be confirmed to Miss Ford in writing.

That concludes this determination.