

**Nursing and Midwifery Council
Investigating Committee**

**New Interim Order Hearing
Wednesday, 13 March 2024**

Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant:	Michael Brendan McLaren
NMC PIN	91H0115S
Part(s) of the register:	Registered Nurse RN1- December 2000 Mental Health- RNMH- September 2002
Relevant Location:	Scotland
Panel members:	Sarah Boynton (Chair, registrant member) Michael Lupson (Lay member) Louise Jones (Lay member)
Legal Assessor:	Charles Apthorp
Hearings Coordinator:	Monowara Begum
Nursing and Midwifery Council:	Represented by Fred Batstone, Case Presenter
Mr McLaren:	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 Mr McLaren'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 and Mr McLaren 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 Mr McLaren will be invited to attend in person, send a representative on his 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 allegations made against Mr McLaren. The NMC will write to Mr McLaren when the case is ready for the next stage of the fitness to practise process.

This will be confirmed to Mr McLaren in writing.

That concludes this determination.