

**Nursing and Midwifery Council
Fitness to Practise Committee**

**Substantive Order Review Hearing
Friday 16 June 2023**

Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant: **Beverley Anne Lane**

NMC PIN 81Y0201W

Part(s) of the register: RN1: Adult nurse, level 1 (22 January 1985)

Type of case: Health

Panel members: Debbie Hill (Chair, Lay member)
Jane Scattergood (Registrant member)
Claire Corrigan (Lay member)

Legal Assessor: Michael Hosford-Tanner

Hearings Coordinator: Anya Sharma

Nursing and Midwifery Council: Represented by Ruth Reid, Case Presenter

Mrs Lane: Not present and unrepresented

Order being reviewed: Suspension order (12 months)

Fitness to practise: Impaired

Outcome: **Suspension order (12 months) to come into effect on 28 July 2023 in accordance with Article 30 (1)**

Decision and reasons on application for hearing to be held in private

At the outset of the hearing, Ms Reid made an application under Rule 19(2) that this case be held entirely in private on the basis that this case relates solely to Mrs Lane's health.

The legal assessor referred the panel to Rule 19(2) of the 'Nursing and Midwifery Council (Fitness to Practise) Rules 2004', as amended (the Rules) which states:

'(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3) below, hearings shall be conducted in public.

(2) Subject to paragraph (2A), a hearing before the Fitness to Practise Committee which relates solely to an allegation concerning the registrant's physical or mental health must be conducted in private.

(2A) All or part of the hearing referred to in paragraph (2) may be held in public where the Fitness to Practise Committee:

(a) Having given the parties, and any third party whom the Committee considers it appropriate to hear, an opportunity to make representations; and

(b) Having obtained the advice of the legal assessor, is satisfied that the public interest or the interests of any third party outweigh the need to protect the privacy or confidentiality of the registrant

(3) [...]

The panel therefore determined to hold the entirety of the hearing in private, in accordance with Rule 19(2).

