

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

**New Interim Order Hearing
Wednesday, 21 February 2024**

Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant:	Dean Dowlutta
NMC PIN:	13A2103E
Part(s) of the register:	Registered Nurse - Mental Health RNMH (March 2013)
Relevant Location:	Berkshire and Reading
Panel members:	John Vellacott (Chair, Lay member) Anna Ferguson (Registrant member) Bill Matthews (Lay member)
Legal Assessor:	Megan Ashworth
Hearings Coordinator:	Christine Iraguha
Nursing and Midwifery Council:	Represented by Hazel McGuinness, Case Presenter
Mr Dowlutta:	Not present and unrepresented
Interim order directed:	Interim suspension order (18 months)

Decision and reasons on interim order

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

Unless Mr Dowlutta'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 Dowlutta 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 Dowlutta 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.

A panel of the Fitness to Practise Committee has still to deal with the allegations made against Mr Dowlutta. The NMC will keep Mr Dowlutta informed of developments in relation to that issue.

This will be confirmed to Mr Dowlutta in writing.

That concludes this determination.