

**BEFORE THE FITNESS TO PRACTISE COMMITTEE  
OF THE GENERAL OPTICAL COUNCIL**

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**AND**

**LLOYD COLLINS (01-23901)**

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**DETERMINATION OF APPLICATION FOR AN INTERIM ORDER  
- 15 DECEMBER 2008 –  
PRIVATE HEARING**

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The Fitness to Practise Committee considered an application for an Interim Order made by the Council.

**Determination**

The Committee has accepted the legal advice given to it and have had in mind the guidance given in the case of *Sheikh v GDC*. The Committee is satisfied on the totality of the evidence before it that it is necessary to take some action at this interim stage. The Committee is satisfied that it is necessary for the protection of members of the public and is otherwise in the public interest for the registrant's registration to be made subject to conditions which are shown on the attached schedule.

The Committee ordered that the registrant's registration be subject to conditions for a period of 18 months from today. The order will be reviewed within 6 months from today unless all matters are resolved within that time, or earlier should new evidence be made available, or if the registrant, at any time after three months from today's date, requests an early review.

**Chairman of the Committee: Mercy Jeyasingham**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date 15 December 2008

## SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONS

1. You must place yourself and remain under the supervision of a specified workplace/learning supervisor, with the agreement of the GOC and who would be prepared to monitor your conditions and provide reports to the Registrar every three months providing details of any progression or regression in the specified areas. You must advise the Registrar of the nominated supervisor's contact details and of any change to the specified workplace/learning supervisor.
2. If the condition (above) cannot be complied with due to you being a sole practitioner or locum across multiple practices, you must furnish the Registrar with the full contact details of a professional colleague who would be prepared to monitor your conditions and provide reports to the Registrar every three months providing details of any progression or regression in the specified areas.
3. The GOC will enter these conditions against your name in the register save any conditions which relate to your health. You must allow the Registrar to share any information, including confidential information, with any employer, supervisor, professional colleague or any organisation for which you provide ophthalmic services for the duration of your conditional registration.
4. You must notify the Registrar within 14 days of commencement of any professional appointment you accept whilst you are subject to these conditions (this includes any teaching posts) and provide contact details of your employer and if providing ophthalmic services under a NHS contract, the PCT on whose ophthalmic practitioners list you will be included (this includes any equivalent employer in the EC).
5. You must inform the Registrar:
  - a. If you cease working;
  - b. If your work takes you out of the UK for a significant period of time; or
  - c. Of any employment you apply for outside of the UK (and in which countries)

as conditions of registration only apply to practice undertaken in the UK (you must consider whether your time out of work or out of the UK will allow you to fulfil the conditions during the period of conditional registration). The Registrar may inform the relevant competent authorities in that country of your current conditions of UK registration.

6. You must continue to fulfil the CET requirements under the GOC CET scheme to secure appropriate points for continued inclusion on the GOC register.
7. You must ensure that your GOC registration is renewed by 15 March annually while you are subject to the GOC FTP conditional registration procedures. Should you fail to renew your registration a review hearing will be arranged immediately.
8. You must also allow the Registrar to share this information with other regulatory bodies and the Department of Health.
9. You must inform the following parties that your registration is subject to conditional registration:

- a. Any organisation or person employing or contracting with you to undertake ophthalmic services (to include any locum agency);
- b. Any prospective employer (whether within the UK or EC);
- c. The PCT in whose ophthalmic practitioners list you are included or seeking inclusion.