

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

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**INTERIM ORDER APPLICATION
DETERMINATION SUMMARY
14 December 2021**

PRIVATE HEARING

Name of Registrant: Nicholas Campbell

Registration number: 01-28837

Professional status: Optometrist

Area of registered address: Cardiff

Type and length of interim order: The Fitness to Practise Committee determined to make an interim order of conditional registration from 14 December 2021 for a period of 18 months.

The order will be further 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.

The list of public conditions imposed are as follows:

1. You must:
 - a. Identify a workplace supervisor who would be prepared to monitor your compliance with these conditions.
 - b. Ask the GOC to approve your workplace supervisor within 4 weeks of the date this order takes effect. If you are not employed, you must ask the GOC to approve your workplace supervisor before you start work.
 - c. Identify another supervisor if the GOC does not agree to your being monitored by the proposed supervisor.

- d. Place yourself under the supervision of the supervisor and remain under his/her supervision for the duration of these conditions.
 - e. Inform the GOC of any proposed change to your supervisor and again place yourself under the supervision of someone who has been agreed by the GOC.
2. At least once a month you must meet your supervisor to review compliance with your conditions and your progress in the following areas of practice:
 - i. Full pupil testing is conducted on all patients requiring it, in particular:
 - a. Direct response
 - b. Consensual response
 - c. Near response
 - d. Swinging flashlight test
 - e. Recording the size and shape of each pupil.
 - ii. Full history and symptoms taken and properly recorded, including any negative responses from the patient.
 - iii. Visual fields are performed and evaluated on all patients requiring them.
 - iv. Motility testing is performed on all patients requiring it.
3. You must report to your supervisor every patient you examine where the pupil sizes differ by more than 1mm.
4. You must request that your supervisor selects 20 patient records at random once a month, to examine how you deal with the matters set out in Condition 2.
5. At least every three months or upon request of the GOC, you must request a written report from your supervisor and supply that to the GOC, detailing how you have complied with the conditions including the matters set out in Conditions 2 - 4.
6. You must inform the following parties that your registration is subject to conditions. You should do this within two weeks of the date this order takes effect.
 - a. Any organisation or person employing or contracting with you to provide paid or unpaid optical services, whether or not in the UK (to include any locum agency).
 - b. Any prospective employer or contractor where you have applied to provide optical services, whether or not in the UK.

- c. Chairman of the Local Optometric Committee for the area where you provide optometric services.
- d. The NHS body in whose ophthalmic performer or contractor list you are included or are seeking inclusion.

7. You must inform the GOC if:

- a. You accept any paid or unpaid employment or contract, whether or not in the UK, to provide optical services.
- b. You apply for any paid or unpaid employment or contract to provide optical services outside the UK.
- c. You cease working.

This information must include the contact details of your prospective employer/ contractor and (if the role includes providing NHS ophthalmic services) the relevant NHS body.

- 8. You must inform the GOC within 14 days if you become aware of any criminal investigation or formal disciplinary investigation against you.
- 9. You must continue to comply with all legal and professional requirements of registration with the GOC.

A review hearing will be arranged at the earliest opportunity if you fail to:-

- a. Fulfil all CET requirements; or
- b. Renew your registration annually.