

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

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**4th INTERIM ORDER REVIEW
DETERMINATION SUMMARY
10 OCTOBER 2023**

PRIVATE HEARING

Name of Registrant: Aisha Hussain

Registration number: 01-19937

Professional status: Optometrist

Type and length of interim order: The Fitness to Practise Committee determined to make an interim order of suspension from 2 March 2022 for a period of 18 months.

The Committee determined to continue the current order of suspension on 11 August 2022, 23 January and 29 June 2023. On 10 October 2023, The Committee determined to vary the current interim order of suspension to an order of conditional registration.

The order will be further reviewed within 3 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 before three months from today's date, requests an early review.

LIST OF CONDITIONS

Notification (General)

- i) 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, where possible:
 - 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. The Chair 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.
- ii) Inform the GOC within two weeks 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.

- iii) Inform the GOC within two weeks if you become aware of any criminal investigation or disciplinary investigation against you.

Supervision

- iv) Identify a workplace supervisor/ learning supervisor who would be prepared to monitor your compliance with the relevant conditions.
- v) Ask the GOC to approve your workplace supervisor/learning supervisor before you start work.
- vi) Identify another supervisor if the GOC does not agree to your being monitored by the proposed supervisor.
- vii) Place yourself under the supervision of the approved supervisor and remain under their supervision for the duration of these conditions.
- viii) Meet your supervisor to review compliance with your conditions and your progress with any personal development plan at a frequency to be determined by your approved supervisor.
- ix) At least every three months, before the next review hearing or upon request by the GOC, submit a written report from your

supervisor to the GOC, detailing how you have complied with the conditions they are monitoring.

- x) 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.
- xi) You must not undertake any locum work unless agreed in advance by your workplace supervisor and the GOC.

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Assessment of records

- xix) Obtain confirmation from your proposed workplace supervisor that they are willing to act as independent assessor and review a random selection of your patient records.
- xx) Arrange for your workplace supervisor, acting as independent assessor, to review 50 randomly selected patient records within 4 weeks of notifying the GOC of your commencing employment.
- xxi) At least 1 week before the next review hearing, provide the GOC with a written report from your workplace supervisor setting out their views on the quality of records reviewed and the appropriateness of your management plan.

Personal Development Plan

- xxii) Work with your workplace supervisor to formulate a personal development plan, which should be specifically designed to address the following area(s) of your practice:

- a. Visual field interpretation to enable identification and appropriate management of patients potentially presenting with glaucoma / neurological disease
 - b. Completing adequate referrals
 - c. Providing appropriate advice to patients.
- xxiii) Submit a copy of your personal development plan to the GOC for approval within 1 month of the GOC approving your nominated workplace supervisor.

Registration

- xxiv) You must continue to comply with all legal and professional requirements of registration with the GOC.