
3rd REVIEW OF AN INTERIM ORDER
DETERMINATION SUMMARY
08 OCTOBER 2021

PRIVATE HEARING

Name of Registrant: Qaiser Akhtar

Registration number: 01-26385

Professional status: Optometrist

Type and length of interim order: The Fitness to Practise Committee determined to make an interim order of conditional registration from 8 June 2020 for a period of 18 months.

On the 23 November 2020 and 22 April 2021, the Fitness to Practice Committee determined to continue the order of conditional registration.

The Fitness to Practice Committee determined to continue the order of conditional registration on the 08 October 2021.

The Committee notes that the order is due to expire on 7 December 2021 and therefore makes no order for a further review. However, if the order is extended by the High Court, a review will be held within 3 months of the date of the extension.

The list of public conditions imposed are as follows:

A1.1 Informing others	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.
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<p>A1.2</p> <p>Employment and work</p>	<p>You must inform the GOC if:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. <p>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.</p>
<p>A1.3</p> <p>Supervision of Conditions</p>	<p>You must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Identify a supervisor who would be prepared to monitor your compliance with the following conditions. b. Ask the GOC to approve your supervisor within 2 weeks of the date this order takes effect. If you are not employed, you must ask us 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. You are to discuss with your supervisor on a monthly basis: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i) Your hygiene and infection control conduct ii) Your execution of contact tonometry e. You are to ensure that your supervisor is to review, each month, a randomly selected sample of 10 patient records to ensure that they are accurate and complete particularly in regard to infection control, contact tonometry, the use of disposable drugs and advice given to patients. f. You are to ensure your supervisor is to review, each month, the records of all contact tonometry patients and all patients where a visual field defect has been identified. g. You are only permitted to undertake contact tonometry under direct supervision of a supervisor approved by the GOC. h. You are to ensure your supervisor produces reports on a monthly basis, to the GOC, stating your compliance with the above conditions, there being particular focus on hygiene and infection control, accurate record keeping, tonometry, (both in relation to your clinical execution of and record keeping) and advice given to patients.

<p>A1.4 Other proceedings</p>	<p>You must inform the GOC within 14 days if you become aware of any criminal investigation or formal disciplinary investigation against you.</p>
<p>A1.5 Registration requirements</p>	<p>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:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Fulfil all CET requirements; orb. Renew your registration annually.