Before the fitness to practise committee of the General Optical Council

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2nd Review of an interim order
determination summary
22 February 2019

Private hearing

Name of Registrant: Priyal Patel  
Registration number: 01-24061  
Professional status: Optometrist

Type and length of interim order:

The Fitness to Practise Committee made an interim order of conditions on 22 February 2019 for a period of 18 months. The order was changed to an interim suspension order on 22 February 2019 and then changed to an interim order of conditions on 21 June 2019.

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.

The list of conditions are as follows:

1. Redacted
2. Redacted
3. You must:
   a. Redacted
   b. invite the GOC to approve the supervisor within two weeks of the date this order takes effect;
   c. identify another supervisor if the GOC does not agree to your proposed supervisor;

If you require any further information, please contact the Council’s Hearings Manager at 10 Old Bailey, London, EC4M 7NG or, by telephone, on 020 7580 3453
d. at least every month, or upon the request of the GOC, request a written report from your supervisor to be provided to the GOC detailing his or her findings in respect of Condition 3a;

e. inform the GOC of any proposed change to your supervisor and again place yourself under the supervision of a supervisor who has been agreed by the GOC.

4. Redacted

5. 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.

6. 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.

7. You must inform the GOC within 14 days if you become aware of any criminal investigation or formal disciplinary investigation against you.

8. 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.