

General Pharmaceutical Council

Fitness to Practise Committee

Interim Order Review

On papers Private

30 November 2022

Registrant name: Mr William Terry Obeng

Registration number: 2087223

Part of the register: Pharmacist

Committee Members: Manuela Grayson (Chair)
Stephen Simbler (Registrant member)
Ifat Reader (Lay member)

Secretary: Zainab Mohamad

Interim order being reviewed: Interim Order of Conditions

Outcome: Order Continued

The Committee directs the following interim conditions are placed on Mr Obeng's registration:

Condition 1:

- Tell the GPhC in writing before taking on any position for which you must be registered with the GPhC;
- Give the GPhC in writing details of the role and the hours you will work each week, including locum and relief work as a pharmacist and as an independent prescriber;
- Give the GPhC in writing the contact details of your employer, superintendent pharmacist and/or pharmacy owner.

Condition 2:

- Tell the following people in writing (within two weeks of the date this Order takes effect), about the restrictions imposed on your pharmacy practice, if you are doing any paid or unpaid work for which you must be registered with the GPhC:
 - All employers or contractors
 - Agents acting on behalf of employers and locum agencies
 - Superintendent pharmacists
 - Responsible pharmacists
 - Line managers
 - Workplace supervisors
 - Accountable officers for controlled drugs
 - The NHS England area team or equivalent organization/s within any relevant nation of Great Britain.
- Send the GPhC a copy of this notification.
- Tell any prospective employer about the restrictions imposed on your pharmacy practice when you apply for work.

Condition 3:

- Tell the GPhC if you apply for work as a pharmacist outside Great Britain.
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Condition 4:

- Not provide mail-order or online pharmacy services.

Condition 5:

- Not work as a sole practitioner or superintendent pharmacist

Condition 6:

- Have no involvement in the ownership or management of any pharmacy.

Condition 7:

- Limit your pharmacy practice to premises registered by GPhC.

Condition 8:

- Limit your prescribing practice to NHS funded services and not undertake any privately funded services.

Condition 9:

- In relation to any independent prescribing,
 - Limit your practice to locations regulated by Care Quality Commission (CQC) (or equivalent in Wales and Scotland).
 - In each and every location in which you work as a registered pharmacist, initially find a workplace supervisor (who must be a registered professional who is able to prescribe medication) and put yourself, and stay, under their direct supervision for a period in order to establish competency as set out in the Royal Pharmaceutical Society "A
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Competency framework for all prescribers” which is referenced in the GPhC’s guidance “In practice: Guidance for pharmacist prescribers” published in November 2019.

- Record your learning regarding pharmacy independent prescribing practice in order that your supervisor(s) can assess when direct supervision can be changed to close supervision.
- Then find workplace supervisor(s) (who must be registered professionals who are able to prescribe medication) and put yourself, and stay, under their close supervision;
- Ask the GPhC to approve your workplace supervisor(s) within two weeks of the date this Order takes effect. You must also ask the GPhC to approve your workplace supervisor(s) before you start any work with new employers;
- Give the GPhC your permission to exchange information with your workplace supervisor(s) about your efforts to improve your pharmacy independent prescribing practice;

Condition 10:

- Arrange for your workplace supervisor(s) to send to the GPhC a report on your adherence to the GPhC’s guidance “In practice: Guidance for pharmacist prescribers” published in November 2019. Those reports are to be provided directly to the GPhC when the GPhC asks for one. The GPhC will act reasonably in how often it asks for reports. The report(s) should include comment on:
 1. Which medications you are prescribing;
 2. Which conditions you are carrying out assessments on;
 3. Whether the standard of assessment and diagnosis is adequate;
 4. Whether the standard of record keeping is adequate.
 5. Prescribing governance including scope of practice and risk management in prescribing by remote media, including online and telephone consultations.
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