

General Pharmaceutical Council
Fitness to Practise Committee
Interim Order Application

Remote videolink hearing in private

21 March 2025

Registrant name:	George Chinedu Okwamba
Registration number:	2236408
Part of the register:	Pharmacist
Committee Members:	Neville Sorab (Chair) Stehpen Riley (Registrant member) Joanna Bower (Lay member)
Secretary:	Zainab Mohamad
Clinical Adviser:	Dr Jennifer Bearn
Registrant:	Attended and was represented by Tim Haines, VHS Fletchers Solicitors
General Pharmaceutical Council:	Represented by Ms Temi Abiodun, Case Presenter
Outcome:	Interim conditional entry, 18 months

The Committee directed the following conditions should be imposed:

1. You must:

- give the GPhC the contact details of your place of employment and anyone who is likely to be the manager or persons supervising you (employer, pharmacy owner, agency, superintendent pharmacist responsible pharmacist)
- tell the GPhC before you take on any position for which you must be registered with the GPhC

- give the GPhC details of the role and the hours you will work each week, including locum or relief work

- tell the GPhC if any of the above details change

2. You must tell the following people in writing 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. You should do this within two weeks of the date this order takes effect:

- 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

You must send the GPhC a copy of this notification.

3. If you are applying for work, you must tell any prospective employer about the restrictions imposed on your pharmacy practice when you apply.

4. You must tell the GPhC if you apply for work as a pharmacist or pharmacy technician outside Great Britain.

5. You must find a workplace supervisor (who must be a registered pharmacist) at any pharmacy business that you work, and put yourself, and stay, under their direct in-person supervision.

6. You must ask the Council to approve any workplace supervisor prior commencing any employment.

7. You must not work until a workplace supervisor has been approved and all necessary notifications to the Council given.

8. Any workplace supervisor must report to the Council on your working practices that you have worked every 2 months.

9. You must work with your workplace supervisor(s) to draw up a personal development plan to deal with any shortcomings identified in your practice, and the two monthly reports should assess your improvement against that plan, and include the following:

a. your efforts to improve your clinical knowledge and competency;

b. your communication with patients, the public and colleagues;

c. learnings from any mistakes.

10. You must not work as a sole practitioner/superintendent pharmacist/responsible pharmacist. Any work undertaken must be under the direct supervision of a responsible pharmacist.

11. You must have no involvement in the ownership or management of any pharmacy.