

## **Disciplinary Committee of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain**

**The Disciplinary Committee met on Monday 24 May 2010, Tuesday 25 May 2010 and Thursday 20 May 2010 and made the following directions:**

1. Following an application for restoration to the Register of Pharmacists on behalf of Mr Chima Oko Olughu (previous registration number: 89045), the Committee directed, on Monday 24 May 2010, that the application be granted. However, Mr Olughu's restoration to the register is conditional on his compliance with the requirement that he should, in the course of the next 8 months, complete 100 hours working in the pharmacy, to include experience of advanced services, under supervision of a workplace supervisor who shall be a registered pharmacist of at least three years standing, and who shall inform the Society in writing when the 100 hours have been completed that Mr Olughu has, during that period, performed with competence.

2. On Tuesday 25 May 2010 and Thursday 27 May 2010, the Disciplinary Committee found that the fitness to practise of Mrs Susan Jane Hallett (registration number: 72301) is impaired. The Committee directed, in accordance with article 52(3)(d) of the Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians Order 2007 ("the Order"), that Mrs Hallett's registration in the Register of Pharmacists should be conditional on her compliance with certain requirements for a period of three years from the date that this decision takes effect. The Committee further directed that 'a first review shall be held in 18 months from that date'. In addition, the Committee, pursuant to article 58 of the Order, imposed interim measures on Mrs Hallett to cover the period pending an appeal and the time that it might take for an appeal to be heard. Under the interim measure order, all the conditions imposed by the Committee on Mrs Hallett are to take effect immediately.

The requirements imposed on Mrs Hallett include the following:

- i) Not to undertake any on-call duties, out-of-hours work, or extended hours work.
- ii) To place (herself) and remain under the supervision of a workplace supervisor approved by the Society, who shall be a registered pharmacist, and to allow the Society to receive regular progress reports from the approved workplace supervisor. For the avoidance of doubt it is not required that the workplace supervisor works in the same pharmacy as (Mrs Hallett).
- iii) To keep (her) professional commitments under review, and to limit (her) pharmacy practice in accordance with the advice of the ...supervisor approved by the Society.
- iv) Prior to the commencement of practice as a pharmacist and as required thereafter, to comply with arrangements made by (her)...supervisor (or on behalf of the Society).....
- v) Prior to returning to paid employment as a pharmacist (Mrs Hallett) must work alongside a registered pharmacist with no less than three years' experience for a period of 20 hours in total.

The conditions relating to practice restrictions imposed are:

- vi) (Mrs Hallett) shall not work as a single-handed practitioner running (her) own business.

(The Committee) also impose a condition upon (Mrs Hallett) that (she) shall provide a copy of this determination to (her, amongst others) workplace supervisor.

In addition to the above, (the Committee imposed) conditions relating to a duty to notify/inform.

vii) To notify all employers (including the superintendent pharmacist or responsible pharmacist) or contractors, all prospective employers (including the superintendent pharmacist or responsible pharmacist) or contractors, agents acting on behalf of employers and locum agencies, whether for paid or voluntary employment for which registration with the Society is required (in the UK or elsewhere) of the conditions of this order. In the case of prospective employers this notification must be given at the time of application.

viii) To inform, in writing, the Society's Fitness to Practise Directorate before undertaking any position in the UK or elsewhere for which registration is required.

viv) To arrange for (her) workplace supervisor to send a report on (her) progress directly to the Fitness to Practise Directorate of the Society every four months for the duration of this order.

x) Before undertaking any employment in the UK or elsewhere, to inform the Society's Fitness to Practise Directorate, in writing, of the arrangements (she has) made for (her) work to be supervised and to provide the Society with the name and contact details of (her) workplace supervisor.

xi) To allow the Society's Fitness to Practise Directorate to exchange information with (her) employer, any locum agency, primary care organisation, or any other person or organisation for whom (she) provide pharmaceutical services.'

The above direction is not to take effect until expiration of a 28 day period from the date on which notice of the decision was given to Mrs Hallett or in a case where an appeal has been brought against the direction, until the appeal is determined or withdrawn.

## **Statutory Committees Secretariat**