

**BEFORE THE FITNESS TO PRACTISE COMMITTEE  
OF THE GENERAL OPTICAL COUNCIL**

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**F(24)43**

**AND**

**SHAHID NAZIR (01-20683)**

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**NOTICE OF INQUIRY  
SUBSTANTIVE HEARING**

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Take notice that an inquiry will be conducted in the above matter by the Fitness to Practise Committee of the General Optical Council.

A substantive hearing will be proceeding:

**Remotely**

The substantive hearing will commence at **9:30am** on **Monday 29 September – Friday 10 October 2025** by way of video conference or telephone conference facilities.

The Inquiry will be based upon the allegation submitted by the Council (see below) and will determine whether the fitness to practise of **Shahid Nazir** is impaired by virtue of the provisions contained in section 13D(2) of the Opticians Act 1989.

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Euan Napier  
Hearings Manager, General Optical Council

**24 June 2025**

## ALLEGATION

*The Council alleges that in relation to you, Shahid Nazir (01-20683), a registered Optometrist:*

- 1) On or around 28 April 2023 whilst working at **Scarborough** Visionplus Limited, you failed to perform an appropriate examination and/or assessment of Patient A's eyes in that you:*
  - a. Failed to perform binocular vision testing; and/or*
  - b. Recorded entries for the following despite these examinations not being performed:*
    - i. fixation disparity at distance and near;*
    - ii. near point of convergence;*
    - iii. ocular motility;*
    - iv. pupil reactions;*
  - c. Failed to adequately examine the external eyes; and/or*
  - d. Recorded 'no' for diplopia, flashes, and headaches, despite not asking the patient about these symptoms; and/or*
  - e. Recorded 'no' to drive or words to that effect despite the patient responding yes to the question on driving; and/or*
  - f. Recorded that you recommended contact lenses despite not raising this advice or topic within the examination; and/or*
- 2) Your conduct as set out at 1)b; and/or 1)d; and/or 1)e and/or 1)f is dishonest in that you recorded findings from an eye examination which had not been undertaken; and/or*
- 3) Between May 2023 and September 2023, whilst you were employed at **York 1 Domiciliary Services Limited**, you conducted inadequate eye examinations and/or assessments, for some, or all of the patients listed in Schedule A, in that you:*
  - a. Failed to perform and/or record binocular vision testing; and/or*
  - b. Failed to measure and/or record near visual acuity; and/or*
- 4) On or around 30 June 2023, you conducted an inadequate eye examination and/or assessment on Patient 30 in that you failed to assess and/or record visual field tests; and/or*
- 5) On or around 23 August 2023, you conducted an inadequate eye examination and/or assessment on Patient 17 in that you:*

- a. *Recorded “never had a stroke over right side” and “right eye vision no good,” or words to that effect, despite the patients eligibility for the test being for cerebrovascular accident or stroke; and/or*
- b. *Failed to assess and/or record a confrontation or manual peripheral visual field test; and/or*
- 6) *On or around 12 May 2023, you conducted an inadequate eye examination and/or assessment on Patient 42 in that you:*
  - a. *Failed to perform and/or record a cover test; and/or*
  - b. *Failed to record any ocular history for the patient or their family ocular history; and/or*
- 7) *On or around 19 July 2023, you conducted an inadequate eye examination and/or assessment on Patient 47 in that you recorded a conflicting entry about the presence or absence of retinal vessel ‘nipping’; and/or*
- 8) *On or around 13 June 2023, you conducted an inadequate eye examination and/or assessment on Patient 14 in that you incorrectly recorded right eye cataract despite the patient having had right eye cataract surgery; and/or*
- 9) *On or around 11 August 2023, you conducted an inadequate eye examination and/or assessment on Patient 4 in that you failed to record your reasons for prescribing, despite the prescription being marginal, and the habitual visual acuity and near visual acuity not supporting the prescription; and/or*
- 10) *On or around 19 July 2023, you conducted an inadequate eye examination and/or assessment on Patient 7 in that you prescribed varifocals despite referring the patient for cataract surgery; and/or*

*And by virtue of the facts set out above, your fitness to practise is impaired by reason of misconduct.*

## **Schedule A**

*Patient 1*

*Patient 2*

*Patient 3*

*Patient 4*

*Patient 5*

*Patient 6*

*Patient 7*

*Patient 8*

*Patient 9*

*Patient 10*

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*Patient 42*

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*Patient 44*

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*Patient 46*

*Patient 47*

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**Committee Members:**

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