

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

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AND

MOHAMMAD KHAN (01-38634)

**NOTICE OF INQUIRY
SUBSTANTIVE HEARING**

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:

Physical hearing

The substantive hearing will commence at 9:30am on **Monday 16 June to Thursday 19 June 2025 at General Pharmaceutical Council offices, Level 14, One Cabot Square, London E14 4QJ.**

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

Vineeta Desai
Head of Hearing Operations, General Optical Council

15 May 2025

ALLEGATION

The Council alleges that you, Mr Mohammad Khan (01-38634), a registered optometrist:

1. On 10th June 2023, you failed to carry out an adequate eye examination on Patient A in that you:

a. Failed to obtain an accurate patient history for Patient's A symptoms in that you:

- i. Did not record whether the onset of Patient A's worsening vision was sudden or gradual;*
- ii. Did not record Patient A's presenting vision;*
- iii. Did not record details regarding the nature of the squint in Patient A's eyes;*

b. Failed to maintain accurate patient records in that you:

- i. Recorded the results of an optic disc assessment of Patient A's eyes as 'def[ined] and flat, nrr healthy colour', despite the optic discs presenting as abnormal;*
- ii. Recorded that an internal eye examination had been performed on Patient A, despite not performing an internal eye examination; and/or*
- iii. Pre-populated the results for an internal eye examination on Patient A, despite not performing an internal eye examination;*

c. Failed to perform adequate assessments on Patient A in that you:

- i. Did not perform an internal eye examination on Patient A;*
- ii. Did not review Patient A's fundus photos despite this being available to you;*

d. Failed to detect signs of papilledema in Patient A, despite Patient A experiencing:

- i. Headaches;*
- ii. Vomiting;*
- iii. Diplopia;*
- iv. Abnormal optic discs;*

e. Failed to urgently refer Patient A to the hospital eye service for further investigation and/or urgent treatment despite Patient A presenting with signs of papilledema;

2. Your actions set out at b.ii and/or b.iii were dishonest in that you knew that you had not performed an internal eye examination on Patient A.

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

Committee Members: Jayne Wheat (Chair/Lay)
Victoria Smith (Lay)
Mark McLaren (Lay)
Sarvat Fida (Optometrist)
Ann Barrett (Optometrist)

Legal Adviser: Kelly Thomas

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If you require further information relating to this hearing, please contact the Council's Hearings Manager at hearings@optical.org.