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| Title | NMC Registrations during COVID-19 | |
| Purpose | To inform users of changes in existing Nursing and Midwifery Council registrations during the COVID-19 Pandemic | |
| Intended Audience | All Users concerned with the Registration status of NMC registrants | |

SUBJECT

The Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) has granted extensions to the revalidation period of registered nurses and midwives whose revalidation falls between March and May 2020.

DETAIL

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic, the NMC has granted extensions to the revalidation period for nurses and midwives where this was due in March, April or May 2020. Those affected are being contacted by the NMC to advise of their new revalidation period.

The extension to the renewal period will not be displayed on the public register, and will not be included in the interface data which is used to update ESR. The dates shown in ESR will continue to be those that applied before the extension was granted.

When a nurse or midwife who has been provided with an extension to their renewal period and who has not completed revalidation reaches their original revalidation date, their annual renewal date (expiry date) as shown in ESR will be in the past. However, the registration status will continue to be shown as "Registered" until the end of the extended period.

Once revalidation is completed, and the renewal payment made, the expiry date will be updated in line with the original date.

If a nurse reaches the end of the extended revalidation period without completing revalidation and/or making payment, their registration status will change to "Lapsed".

ACTION REQUIRED

As a result of the extensions to the revalidation period, users should note that a status of "Registered" with an expiry date in the past (within the period March 2020 to May 2020) is a valid condition for those affected. During this period, users should rely upon the registration status rather than the renewal date on ESR.

Users should not attempt to update "Revalidation" dates in ESR manually. Any such attempt will be overwritten by the interface process, causing increased load on the system.

Please note that ESR expiry reminder workflow notifications for affected individuals will not reflect the extended revalidation period granted by the NMC as these dates are not updated on the public register.

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REPORTING

Users may find a number of affected NMC Registered individuals appear within the ESRBI NHS Standard Dashboards as 'No Match' or not valid, where in fact they are registered to practice. Users are encouraged to use the NHS Professional Registrations Dashboard>Registrations and Membership page (along with the NMC Website) which will provide a full picture of professional registrations including status when determining the validity to practice of those affected.

FURTHER INFORMATION

None.

NEXT UPDATE

None.