

GENERAL DENTAL COUNCIL

AND

NELZ, Peer

[Registration number: 82848]

**NOTICE OF INQUIRY
SUBSTANTIVE HEARING**

Notice that an inquiry will be conducted by a Practice Committee of the General Dental Council, commencing at **10:00am** on **20 January 2025**.

Please note that this hearing will be conducted remotely by video conference.

The heads of charge contained within this sheet are current at the date of publication. They are subject to amendments at any time before or during the hearing. For the final charge, findings of fact and determination against the registrant, please visit the Recent Decisions page at <https://www.dentalhearings.org/hearings-and-decisions/decisions> after this hearing has finished.

Committee members

Emily Knapp	Dentist	Chair
Valerie Atkinson	Lay	
Angela Wragg	DCP	

Advisers:

Michale Bell	Legal Adviser
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CHARGE

Peer NELZ, a dentist, Zahnarzt Berlin 1994 is summoned to appear before the Professional Conduct Committee on 20 January 2025 for an inquiry into the following charge:

That being registered as a dentist, Peer Nelz's (82848) fitness to practise is impaired by reason of misconduct. In that:

1. You failed to provide an adequate standard of care to Patient A, from 26 November 2015 to 20 May 2021, in that:
 - a. Prior to commencing orthodontic treatment, you did not:
 - i. Inform Patient A, adequately or at all, that you were providing another clinician with a copy of her clinical records, in order to facilitate that clinician undertaking some or all of the treatment planning.
 - ii. Offer Patient A the option of being referred to another clinician, who would be able to undertake all of the treatment planning directly themselves.
 - b. When providing orthodontic treatment via braces, you did not inform Patient A, adequately or at all, that:
 - i. Her oral health was deteriorating and/or not improving; and/or that
 - ii. This was the reason that her braces needed to be removed.
 - c. When providing orthodontic treatment via aligners, you did not:
 - i. Plan and/or arrange sufficient appointments to fit the aligners and/or to monitor and/or review the progress of the aligner treatment.
 - ii. Provide Patient A with all of the aligners required to adequately progress and/or complete the planned orthodontic treatment.
 - d. You did not provide Patient A with clear information as to costs, either prior to treatment commencing and/or whilst treatment was ongoing.
 - e. You did not provide Patient A and/or her mother with a prompt and/or constructive response to the complaint made by them on 16 September 2019.
2. You failed to obtain informed consent for the treatment provided to Patient A from 26 November 2015 to 20 May 2021."