

NMC File Note

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Discussion with **Code A** re: letters to registrant in advance on any PPC:

- Agreed that generally, registrants should be informed whenever a case is being considered by any of the NMC's Committees, and given a full opportunity to comment.
- If we are putting the case in part 4 (i.e. not to proceed), there is no need to send the PRE16A letter (as per Rule 8(1) of the 1993 Rules).
- If the PRE16A letter is not to be sent, there is no need to draft specific allegations – it will be sufficient to inform the registrant that a complaint has been received in which they are named, and ask them to make any comment they like.
- Re: **Code A** who is reported to be terminally ill, we need to agree a sensitive and careful approach. Possibilities include meeting with the Trust to discuss the complaints, not sending her any material at all, or sending her material with a carefully written, sensitive, personal letter suggesting that it should all be forwarded to her representative.
- **Code A** agrees we need a meeting with Ian Todd (FTP director) and **Code A**. **Code A** she is also happy to attend.
- Agreed I will get **Code A** to arrange a meeting asap.