# Health and Social Care Act 2008

**2008 CHAPTER 14**

## PART 5

MISCELLANEOUS

*Financial assistance related to provision of health or social care services*

### 156 Interpretation of group of sections

(1) In this section and sections 149 to 155 "this group of sections" means this section and those sections.

(2) In this group of sections—

"company" means a company as defined by section 1 of the Companies Act 2006 (c. 46);

"English local authority" means—

(a) a county council in England,

(b) a metropolitan district council,

(c) a non-metropolitan district council for an area for which there is no county council,

(d) a London borough council,

(e) the Common Council of the City of London, or

(f) the Council of the Isles of Scilly;

"health services" means services which must or may be provided for the purposes of the health service continued under section 1(1) of the National Health Service Act 2006 (c. 41) or services which are similar to such services;

"prescribed" means prescribed by regulations;

"qualifying body" has the meaning given by section 150;

"regulations" means regulations made by the Secretary of State;

"social care services" means services which an English local authority must or may provide or arrange to be provided under any of the following provisions—

(a) Part 3 of the National Assistance Act 1948 (c. 29),
(b) section 45 of the Health Services and Public Health Act 1968 (c. 46),
(c) section 117 of the Mental Health Act 1983 (c. 20), and
(d) section 254 of, and Schedule 20 to, the National Health Service Act 2006 (c. 41),

or services which are similar to such services.