STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1997 No. 2929

The National Health Service (Pilot Schemes —Health Service Bodies) Regulations 1997

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Pilot Schemes—Health Service Bodies) Regulations 1997 and shall come into force on 31st December 1997.

(2) In these Regulations—

"the 1997 Act" means the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997;

"applicant" means a person making an application;

"application" means an application under section 16 of the 1997 Act to become a pilot scheme health service body(**1**) in respect of a pilot scheme(**2**) under which personal medical services(**3**) are, or are to be, provided;

"member", in relation to a pilot scheme health service body—

(a) where the relevant pilot scheme has not yet been implemented, means a person proposing to provide piloted services(**4**) under that scheme, and

(b) where the relevant pilot scheme has been implemented, is to be construed in accordance with section 16(7) of the 1997 Act;

"relevant authority" means the authority(**5**) which is, or is to be, a party to the relevant pilot scheme; and

"relevant pilot scheme" means the pilot scheme under which—

(a) the applicants are to provide, or are providing, piloted services, or

(b) the members of the pilot scheme health service body are to provide, or are providing, piloted services,

as the case may be.

(**1**) *See* section 16(6) of the 1997 Act.
(**2**) "Pilot scheme" is defined in section 1(1) of the 1997 Act.
(**3**) "Personal medical services" are defined in section 1(8) of the 1997 Act.
(**4**) "Piloted services" are defined in section 1(4) of the 1997 Act.
(**5**) "Authority" is defined in section 1(8) of the 1997 Act.