

# National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990

# **1990 CHAPTER 19**

### PART I

THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE: ENGLAND AND WALES

# Interpretation

# **26** Interpretation of Part I

- (1) Subsection (2) below has effect with respect to the interpretation of this Part of this Act and the National Health Service Act 1977 (the principal Act).
- (2) In section 128 of the principal Act, in subsection (1)—
  - (a) after the words "this Act" there shall be inserted "and Part I of the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990";
  - (b) for the definition beginning "Area Health Authority" there shall be substituted—
    - ""District Health Authority" means the authority for a district, whether or not its name incorporates the word "District"";
  - (c) in the definition of "health service hospital" after the words "this Act" there shall be inserted "or vested in an NHS trust";
  - (d) after the definition of "modifications" there shall be inserted—
    - ""NHS contract" has the meaning assigned by section 4(1) of the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990;
    - "National Health Service trust" has the meaning assigned by section 5 of the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 and "NHS trust" shall be construed accordingly";
  - (e) after the definition of "officer" there shall be inserted—

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""operational date", in relation to an NHS trust, shall be construed in accordance with paragraph 3(1)(e) of Schedule 2 to the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990";

- (f) after the definition of "patient" there shall be inserted—
  - ""pharmaceutical services" has the meaning assigned by section 41 of this Act";
- (g) in the definition of "prescribed" after the words "this Act" there shall be inserted "or Part I of the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990";
- (h) after the definition of "prescribed" there shall be inserted—
  - ""primary functions" shall be construed in accordance with section 3 of the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990"; and
- (i) in the definition of "regulations" after the words "this Act" there shall be inserted "or Part I of the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990".
- (3) In this Part of this Act—

"goods" includes accommodation;

"health board" means a Health Board constituted under section 2 of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 or a Health and Social Services Board constituted under the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972; and

"services" includes services of any description, whether or not being services under the principal Act.