

These notes refer to the Health Act 1999 (c.8) which received Royal Assent on 30 June 1999

HEALTH ACT 1999

EXPLANATORY NOTES

OUTLINE OF THE EXISTING LAW

Part II system: family health services

Scotland

41. The legislative framework for the NHS in Scotland is set out in the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 (“the 1978 Act”). It is broadly similar in structure and content to the 1977 Act, being split into Parts I and II in the same way. Instead of Health Authorities, services are commissioned by Health Boards. The 1990 Act and the Primary Care Act described above made similar provisions for Scotland as for England and Wales.