

## 1974 No. 196

**NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND AND WALES**  
**The National Health Service (Standing Advisory Committees)**  
**(Amendment) Order 1974**

*Made - - - - - 7th February 1974*

*Coming into Operation 1st April 1974*

The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of powers conferred by sections 2(3) and 75(4) of the National Health Service Act 1946(a), and now vested in him (b), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, after consultation with the Central Health Services Council, hereby makes the following Order:—

*Citation and commencement*

1. This Order may be cited as the National Health Service (Standing Advisory Committees) (Amendment) Order 1974 and shall come into operation on the 1st April 1974.

*Interpretation*

2. The rules for the construction of an Act of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(c) shall apply for the purposes of the interpretation of this Order as they apply for the purposes of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

*Amendment of Order constituting Standing Advisory Committees*

3.—(1) The National Health Service (Standing Advisory Committees) Order 1949(d), as amended (e) (hereinafter referred to as “the principal Order”) shall be further amended in accordance with the following provisions of this Article and shall accordingly have effect as set out in the Schedule to this Order.

(2) In Article 2 of the principal Order for the word “Minister” in paragraph (1) there shall be substituted the words “Secretary of State” and in paragraph (2) thereof for all the words from “under the National Health Service Act 1946” to the end of that paragraph there shall be substituted the words “under the National Health Service Acts 1946 to 1973”.

(3) For Article 3 of the principal Order there shall be substituted the following Article:—

“3. Each of the said Committees shall consist of such number of members as the Secretary of State may from time to time determine”.

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(a) 1946 c. 81.

(b) Secretary of State for Social Services Order 1968, (S.I. 1968/1699 (1968 III, p. 4585)).

(c) 1889 c. 63.

(d) This Order was not published as a Statutory Instrument.

(e) National Health Service (Standing Advisory Committees)(Amendment) Order 1962 and National Health Service (Standing Advisory Committees)(Amendment) Order 1966, which were not published as Statutory Instruments.

(4) Column 3 of the Schedule to the principal Order shall be omitted; the Standing Maternity and Midwifery Advisory Committee and the Standing Mental Health Advisory Committee shall cease to be Standing Advisory Committees constituted by Article 2(1) of the principal Order and the references to those committees shall be deleted from the Schedule to the principal Order; the Standing Nursing Advisory Committee constituted by the principal Order shall be renamed the Standing Nursing and Midwifery Advisory Committee; for the words "the nursing services" in column 2 of the Schedule to the principal Order there shall be substituted the words "the nursing and midwifery services" and after the words "the pharmaceutical services" in that column there shall be added the words "including hospital pharmaceutical services".

*Keith Joseph,*

Secretary of State for Social Services.

7th February 1974.

Article 3(1)

SCHEDULE

*Containing the National Health Service (Standing Advisory Committees) Order 1949 as amended\**

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THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE (STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEES)  
ORDER 1949

The Minister of Health, in exercise of his powers under section 2(3) of the National Health Service Act, 1946, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby orders as follows:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the National Health Service (Standing Advisory Committees) Order 1949, and shall come into operation on 1st February 1949.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889 applies to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2.—(1) The Standing Advisory Committees specified in the first column of the Schedule to this Order are hereby constituted for the purpose of advising the *Secretary of State* and the Central Health Services Council on the services mentioned in the second column of the Schedule opposite the names of the respective Committees.

(2) The said services are services *under the National Health Service Acts 1946 to 1973*.

3. *Each of the said Committees shall consist of such number of members as the Secretary of State may from time to time determine.*

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\*The words added or substituted by this Order are shown in italics.

## SCHEDULE

1	2
The Standing Medical Advisory Committee	The medical services
The Standing Dental Advisory Committee	The dental services
The Standing Pharmaceutical Advisory Committee	The pharmaceutical services <i>including hospital pharmaceutical services</i>
The Standing Ophthalmic Advisory Committee	The ophthalmic services
The Standing Nursing <i>and Midwifery</i> Advisory Committee	The nursing <i>and midwifery</i> services

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Health this twenty-fifth day of January nineteen hundred and forty-nine.

(L.S.)

*J. C. Wrigley,*  
Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Health.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order amends and reproduces as amended an earlier Order providing for the constitution of Standing Advisory Committees to advise the Secretary of State for Social Services, the Secretary of State for Wales and the Central Health Services Council on certain services provided under the National Health Service Acts.

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