
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1994 No. 684

**NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE,
ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The National Health Service (Regional
Health Authorities) Order 1994**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>10th March 1994</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>10th March 1994</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st April 1994</i>

The Secretary of State for Health, in exercise of powers conferred on her by sections 8(1)(a) and (1A)(a) and 126(3) of the National Health Service Act 1977(1) and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the National Health Service (Regional Health Authorities) Order 1994 and shall come into force on 1st April 1994.

(2) In this Order, “the Regions Order” means the National Health Service (Determination of Regions) Order 1994(2).

Abolition of Regional Health Authorities

2. The Regional Health Authorities specified in Schedule 1 to this Order are hereby abolished.

Continuation of Regional Health Authorities

3. Trent Regional Health Authority and West Midlands Regional Health Authority shall continue to be established in relation to Trent Region and West Midlands Region respectively, the determination of each of which is continued by the Regions Order.

(1) 1977 c. 49; section 8 was amended by the Health Services Act 1980 (c. 53), section 1(7) and Schedule 1, Part I, paragraph 28, and the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 (c. 19) (“the 1990 Act”), section 1(1); section 126(3) was amended by the 1990 Act, section 65(2).

(2) S.I. 1994/683.

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Establishment and names of new Authorities

4. For each of the regions determined by the Regions Order and specified in column (1) of Schedule 2 to this Order there is established a Regional Health Authority which shall be known by the name specified in column (2) of that Schedule in relation to that region.

Revocation

5. The National Health Service (Constitution of Regional Health Authorities) Order 1975⁽³⁾ is hereby revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

10th March 1994

Tom Sackville
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department of Health

(3) [S.I. 1975/1100](#), as amended by [S.I. 1981/1836](#).

SCHEDULE 1

article 2

REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITIES ABOLISHED

Northern Regional Health Authority
Yorkshire Regional Health Authority
East Anglian Regional Health Authority
North West Thames Regional Health Authority
North East Thames Regional Health Authority
South East Thames Regional Health Authority
South West Thames Regional Health Authority
Wessex Regional Health Authority
Oxford Regional Health Authority
South Western Regional Health Authority
Mersey Regional Health Authority
North Western Regional Health Authority

SCHEDULE 2

article 4

NEWLY ESTABLISHED REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITIES

(1) Name of region	(2) Name of Regional Health Authority
Northern and Yorkshire Region	Northern and Yorkshire Regional Health Authority
Anglia and Oxford Region	Anglia and Oxford Regional Health Authority
North Thames Region	North Thames Regional Health Authority
South Thames Region	South Thames Regional Health Authority
South and West Region	South and West Regional Health Authority
North West Region	North West Regional Health Authority

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order abolishes 12 of the 14 Regional Health Authorities constituted for the purposes of the National Health Service Act 1977 (article 2 and Schedule 1). It also continues the establishment of the remaining two of those Authorities (article 3), establishes a new Regional Health Authority in relation to each of the 6 new regions determined for the purposes of that Act by the National Health

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Service (Determination of Regions) Order 1994 (article 4 and Schedule 2) and revokes an earlier Order (article 5).