

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

These Regulations set out the consultation requirements which must be complied with before the Secretary of State may make an order which varies the area of, abolishes, establishes or changes the name of a Strategic Health Authority. Regulation 2 provides that the consultation must be carried out by the Strategic Health Authority which is the subject of, or is affected by, a proposed order and lists the bodies which must be consulted. Regulation 3 provides for consultation to be combined where more than one Strategic Health Authority is involved. Regulation 4 requires the Strategic Health Authority conducting the consultation first to seek the Secretary of State's approval of any consultation and secondly to report the results of the consultation to the Secretary of State.