EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Regulations approved by this Order are made by virtue of provisions in the Medical Act 1983 (c.54) which were inserted by the General and Specialist Medical Practice (Education, Training and Qualifications) Order 2010 (S.I.2010/234). That Order abolished the Postgraduate Medical Education and Training Board ("the Board"), transferred the Board's functions to the General Medical Council and revoked the General and Specialist Medical Practice (Education, Training and Qualifications) Order 2003 (S.I.2003/1250)("the 2003 Order") under which functions relating to postgraduate medical education and training were carried out.

These Regulations make provision for the marking of the General Practitioner Register so as to distinguish between different categories of persons who are eligible to be registered in that register by virtue of having acquired a right to practise as a general practitioner in the United Kingdom pursuant to article 6 of the Postgraduate Medical Education and Training Order of Council 2010 (S.I.2010/473). Both article 6 of that Order and the provision made in these Regulations relate to functions previously carried out under the 2003 Order.