
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations specify the functions of Local Health Boards established for all areas of Wales pursuant to section 16BA of the National Health Service Act 1977 (see [S.I. 2003/148](#)).

Local Health Boards will be responsible for exercising functions, (subject to certain specified exceptions relating to specialist health services, public health and functions to be undertaken on a regional basis), which were exercised by former Health Authorities in relation to any part of the area for which the Local Health Board is established and which have been transferred to the National Assembly for Wales pursuant to an order made under section 27 of the Government of Wales Act 1998 (Regulation 3(2) and the Schedule).

Local Health Boards will exercise their functions for the benefit of those persons usually resident in their area (Regulation 1(2)).