



Health Act 1999

1999 CHAPTER 8

An Act to amend the law about the national health service; make provision in relation to arrangements and payments between health service bodies and local authorities with respect to health and health-related functions; confer power to regulate any professions concerned (wholly or partly) with the physical or mental health of individuals; and for connected purposes. [30th June 1999]

Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Extent Information

E1 For the extent of this Act and its repeals and amendments see [s. 68](#) (This Act does not extend to the Isles of Scilly).

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Act amended (8.2.2000) by [S.I. 2000/89](#), [reg. 12](#)

PART I

THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C2 [Pt. I](#) (ss. 1-45 except 20(1), 22, 33-38): transfer of functions (1.7.1999) by [S.I. 1999/672](#), [art. 2](#), [Sch. 1](#) (as inserted (30.6.1999) by [1999 c. 8](#), [ss. 66\(4\)\(5\)\(c\)](#), [67\(4\)](#))

[Pt. I](#) applied to Isles of Scilly (with modifications) (14.3.2001) by [S.I. 2001/448](#), [art. 2](#)

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Fund-holding practices

1 Repeal of law about fund-holding practices.

In the ^{M1}National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990, sections 14 to 17 (which make provision in relation to fund-holding practices) are to cease to have effect.

Commencement Information

II S. 1 wholly in force at 1.4.2000; S. 1 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 1 in force for E. at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), **Sch. 1**; s. 1 in force for W. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 2000/1026, art. 2(1), **Sch.**

Marginal Citations

M1 1990 c.19

Local administration

2 Primary Care Trusts.

(1) After section 16 of ^{M2}the National Health Service Act 1977 there is inserted—

“16A Primary Care Trusts.

- (1) The Secretary of State may establish bodies to be known as Primary Care Trusts with a view, in particular, to their—
 - (a) providing or arranging for the provision of services under this Part of this Act,
 - (b) exercising functions in relation to the provision of general medical services under Part II of this Act, and
 - (c) providing services in accordance with section 28C arrangements.
- (2) Each Primary Care Trust shall be established by an order made by him (referred to in this Act as a PCT order).
- (3) A Primary Care Trust shall be established for the area specified in its PCT order and shall exercise its functions in accordance with any prohibitions or restrictions in the order.
- (4) If any consultation requirements apply, they must be complied with before a PCT order is made.
- (5) In this section, “consultation requirements” means requirements about consultation contained in regulations (and the regulations must impose requirements where a PCT order establishes a Primary Care Trust).
- (6) Schedule 5A to this Act (which makes further provision about Primary Care Trusts) shall have effect.

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16B Exercise of functions by Primary Care Trusts.

- (1) This section applies to functions which are exercisable by a Primary Care Trust under or by virtue of this Act (including this section), the ^{M3}National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 or any prescribed provision of any other Act.
- (2) Regulations may provide for any functions to which this section applies to be exercised—
 - (a) by another Primary Care Trust,
 - (b) by a Special Health Authority, or
 - (c) jointly with any one or more of the following: Health Authorities, NHS trusts and other Primary Care Trusts.
- (3) Regulations may provide—
 - (a) for any functions to which this section applies to be exercised, on behalf of the Primary Care Trust by whom they are exercisable, by a committee, sub-committee or officer of the trust,
 - (b) for any functions which, under this section, are exercisable by a Special Health Authority to be exercised, on behalf of that authority, by a committee, sub-committee or officer of the authority,
 - (c) for any functions which, under this section, are exercisable by a Primary Care Trust jointly with one or more Health Authorities or other Primary Care Trusts (but not with any NHS trusts) to be exercised, on behalf of the health service bodies in question, by a joint committee or joint sub-committee.”

(2) Schedule 1 (which inserts the new Schedule 5A in the 1977 Act) is to have effect.

Commencement Information

I2 S. 2 partly in force; s. 2 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 2 in force for certain purposes (E.) at 8.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(2)(a)(b); s. 2 in force (E.) insofar as not already in force at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2

Marginal Citations

M2 1977 c.49
M3 1990 c.19

3 Primary Care Trusts: finance.

Before section 98 of the 1977 Act there is inserted—

“97C Public funding of Primary Care Trusts.

- (1) It is the duty of every Health Authority, in respect of each financial year, to pay to each Primary Care Trust whose area falls within their area—
 - (a) sums equal to the trust’s general Part II expenditure, and
 - (b) sums not exceeding the amount allotted by the authority to the trust for that year towards meeting the trust’s main expenditure in that year.

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- (2) Any payment under subsection (1)(a) above shall be made out of money paid to the Health Authority under subsection (1) of section 97 above and any payment under subsection (1)(b) above shall be made out of money paid to the authority under subsection (3) of that section.
- (3) An amount is allotted to a Primary Care Trust for a year under this section when the trust is notified by the Health Authority that the amount is allotted to it for that year; and the Health Authority may make an allotment under this section increasing or reducing an allotment previously so made.
- (4) The Secretary of State may give directions to a Primary Care Trust about the payment of sums by the trust to the Health Authority in whose area the area of the trust falls in respect of charges or other sums referable to the valuation or disposal of assets.
- (5) Where any part of a sum paid to a Primary Care Trust by a Health Authority under subsection (1) above derives from a sum which was paid to the authority under subsection (1) or (3) of section 97 above subject to a direction (under subsection (6)(a) of that section) that it be applied for a particular purpose, the authority shall direct the trust that the sum paid to the trust shall be applied for the same purpose.
- (6) Sums falling to be paid to Primary Care Trusts under this section shall be payable subject to compliance with such conditions as to records, certificates or otherwise as the Secretary of State may determine.

97D Financial duties of Primary Care Trusts.

- (1) It is the duty of every Primary Care Trust, in respect of each financial year, to perform its functions so as to secure that the expenditure of the trust which is attributable to the performance by the trust of its functions in that year (not including expenditure within subsection (1)(a) of section 97C above) does not exceed the aggregate of—
 - (a) the amount allotted to it for that year under subsection (1)(b) of that section,
 - (b) any sums received by it in that year under any provision of this Act (other than sums received by it under that section), and
 - (c) any sums received by it in that year otherwise than under this Act for the purpose of enabling it to defray any such expenditure.
- (2) The Secretary of State may give such directions to a Primary Care Trust as appear to be requisite to secure that the trust complies with the duty imposed on it by subsection (1) above.
- (3) Directions under subsection (2) above may be specific in character.
- (4) To the extent to which—
 - (a) any expenditure is defrayed by a Primary Care Trust as trustee or on behalf of a Primary Care Trust by special trustees, or
 - (b) any sums are received by a Primary Care Trust as trustee or under section 96A above,
 that expenditure and, subject to subsection (6) below, those sums shall be disregarded for the purposes of this section.

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- (5) For the purposes of this section sums which, in the hands of a Primary Care Trust, cease to be trust funds and become applicable by the Primary Care Trust otherwise than as trustee shall be treated, on their becoming so applicable, as having been received by the Primary Care Trust otherwise than as trustee.
- (6) Of the sums received by a Primary Care Trust under section 96A above so much only as accrues to the Primary Care Trust after defraying any expenses incurred in obtaining them shall be disregarded under subsection (4) above.
- (7) Subject to subsection (4) above, the Secretary of State may by directions determine—
- (a) whether specified sums are, or are not, to be treated for the purposes of this section as received under this Act by a specified Primary Care Trust,
 - (b) whether specified expenditure is, or is not, to be treated for those purposes as expenditure within subsection (1) above of a specified Primary Care Trust, or
 - (c) the extent to which, and the circumstances in which, sums received by a Primary Care Trust under section 97C above but not yet spent are to be treated for the purposes of this section as part of the expenditure of the Primary Care Trust and to which financial year's expenditure they are to be attributed.
- (8) In subsection (7) above, “specified” means of a description specified in the directions.”

Commencement Information

I3 S. 3 partly in force; s. 3 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 3 in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(4)(a)

4 Expenditure of Health Authorities and Primary Care Trusts.

- (1) After Schedule 12 to the 1977 Act there is inserted—

“SCHEDULE
12A

EXPENDITURE OF HEALTH AUTHORITIES AND PRIMARY CARE TRUSTS

Health Authorities: general Part II expenditure

- 1 (1) In section 97 above and this Schedule, general Part II expenditure, in relation to a Health Authority, means expenditure of the authority which—
- (a) is attributable to the payment of remuneration to persons providing services in pursuance of Part II of this Act, and
 - (b) is not excluded by sub-paragraph (2) below.
- (2) Expenditure is excluded if it is attributable to—
- (a) the reimbursement of expenses of persons providing services in pursuance of Part II which are designated expenses incurred in

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- connection with the provision of the services (or in giving instruction in matters relating to the services),
- (b) remuneration referable to the cost of drugs,
- (c) remuneration paid to persons providing additional pharmaceutical services (in accordance with directions under section 41A above), in respect of such of those services as are designated, or
- (d) remuneration of a designated description which is determined by the Health Authority and paid to persons providing general medical services in pursuance of Part II.

Health Authorities: main expenditure

- 2 (1) In section 97 above, main expenditure, in relation to a Health Authority and the year in question, means—
 - (a) expenditure of the authority mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) below,
 - (b) any other expenditure of the authority attributable to the performance of their functions in that year (other than general Part II expenditure and remuneration referable to the cost of drugs), and
 - (c) expenditure attributable to remuneration referable to the cost of drugs for which the authority are accountable in that year (whether paid by them or another authority).
- (2) The expenditure referred to in sub-paragraph (1)(a) above is expenditure attributable to—
 - (a) the reimbursement in that year of expenses of persons providing services in pursuance of Part II which are designated expenses incurred in connection with the provision of the services (or in giving instruction in matters relating to the services),
 - (b) remuneration paid in that year to persons providing additional pharmaceutical services (in accordance with directions under section 41A above), in respect of such of those services as are designated, or
 - (c) remuneration of a designated description which is determined by the Health Authority and paid in that year to persons providing general medical services in pursuance of Part II.
- 3 (1) For each financial year, the Secretary of State shall apportion, in such manner as he thinks appropriate, among all Health Authorities the total of the remuneration referable to the cost of drugs which is paid by each Health Authority in that year.
- (2) A Health Authority are accountable in any year for remuneration referable to the cost of drugs to the extent (and only to the extent) that such remuneration is apportioned to them under sub-paragraph (1) above.
- (3) Where in any financial year any remuneration referable to the cost of drugs for which a Health Authority are accountable is paid by another Health Authority, the remuneration is to be treated (for the purposes of sections 97 and 97A above) as having been paid by the first authority in the performance of their functions.
- (4) The Secretary of State may, in particular, exercise his discretion under sub-paragraph (1) above—

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- (a) so that any apportionment reflects, in the case of each Health Authority, the financial consequences of orders for the provision of drugs, being orders which in his opinion are attributable to the authority in question,
 - (b) by reference to averaged or estimated amounts.
- (5) The Secretary of State may make provision for any remuneration referable to the cost of drugs which is paid by a Health Authority other than the Health Authority which are accountable for the payment to be reimbursed in such manner as he may determine.

PCTs: general Part II expenditure

- 4 (1) In section 97C above and this Schedule, general Part II expenditure, in relation to a Primary Care Trust, means expenditure of the trust which—
- (a) is attributable to the payment of remuneration to persons providing services in pursuance of Part II of this Act, and
 - (b) is not excluded by sub-paragraph (2) below.
- (2) Expenditure is excluded if it is attributable to—
- (a) the reimbursement of expenses of persons providing services in pursuance of Part II which are designated expenses incurred in connection with the provision of the services (or in giving instruction in matters relating to the services), or
 - (b) remuneration of a designated description which is determined by the Health Authority within whose area the area of the trust falls and paid to persons providing general medical services in pursuance of Part II.

PCTs: main expenditure

- 5 (1) In section 97C above, main expenditure, in relation to a Primary Care Trust and the year in question, means—
- (a) expenditure of the trust mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) below, and
 - (b) any other expenditure of the trust attributable to the performance of its functions in that year (other than general Part II expenditure), and is to be treated as including any expenditure apportioned to the trust for that year under paragraph 6 below.
- (2) The expenditure referred to in sub-paragraph (1)(a) above is expenditure attributable to—
- (a) the reimbursement in that year of expenses of persons providing services in pursuance of Part II which are designated expenses incurred in connection with the provision of the services (or in giving instruction in matters relating to the services), or
 - (b) remuneration of a designated description which is determined by the Health Authority within whose area the area of the trust falls and paid in that year to persons providing general medical services in pursuance of Part II.
- 6 (1) For each financial year, a Health Authority may apportion, to such extent and in such manner as they think appropriate, among the Primary Care Trusts whose areas fall within their area, the remuneration referable to the cost of drugs for which the authority are accountable in that year.

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- (2) Where in any financial year—
- (a) any remuneration referable to the cost of drugs for which the Health Authority are accountable is paid (whether by them or another Health Authority), and
 - (b) that remuneration is apportioned to a Primary Care Trust under sub-paragraph (1) above, that remuneration is to be treated for the purposes of sections 97C and 97D above as having been paid by the trust in the performance of its functions.

Interpretation

- 7 (1) In this Schedule—
- “designated” means designated in writing by the Secretary of State (and different designations may be made for different purposes),
- “drugs” includes medicines and listed appliances (within the meaning of section 41 above),
- “pharmaceutical services” does not include additional pharmaceutical services.
- (2) The Secretary of State shall determine what remuneration paid by Health Authorities to persons providing pharmaceutical services is to be treated for the purposes of this Schedule as remuneration referable to the cost of drugs.
- (3) The Secretary of State may treat all remuneration paid by Health Authorities to such persons, so far as it is met by an NHS trust or Primary Care Trust under section 103(3) below, as remuneration referable to the cost of drugs for those purposes.”
- (2) Section 97 of the 1977 Act (means of meeting expenditure of Health Authorities etc. out of public funds) is amended as follows—
- (a) subsection (2) is omitted,
 - (b) in subsection (3), at the end there is inserted “ in that year ”,
 - (c) for subsections (3A) and (3B) there is substituted—
- “(3BB) Schedule 12A to this Act (which defines “general Part II expenditure” and “main expenditure” for the purposes of, and supplements, this section and section 97C below) shall have effect”.
- (3) Section 103(3) of the 1977 Act (special arrangements as to payment of remuneration) is amended as follows—
- (a) in paragraph (a), for the words from “the Health Authority” to the end of that paragraph there is substituted “ a Health Authority so determined in respect of the whole or any part of that remuneration ”,
 - (b) in paragraph (b), for “that” there is substituted “ the whole or (as the case may be) that part of the ”.
- (4) This section has effect for the financial year 1999-2000 and subsequent financial years.

Commencement Information

I4 S. 4 wholly in force; s. 4 not in force at Royal Assent; s. 4 in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; s. 4 in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.4.2000 by

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S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(4)(a), Sch. 3; s. 4 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(a)**

5 Primary Care Trusts: provision of services etc.

After section 18 of the 1977 Act there is inserted—

“ Primary Care Trusts: further functions

18A Provision of services etc.

- (1) A Primary Care Trust may provide services under an agreement made under section 28C below, and may do so as a member of a qualifying body (within the meaning of section 28D).
- (2) A Primary Care Trust may arrange for the provision by the trust to another health service body of goods or services (including accommodation) which are of the same description as those which, at the time of making the arrangement, the trust has power to provide in carrying out its other functions.
- (3) A Primary Care Trust may provide premises for the use of persons—
 - (a) providing general medical, general dental, general ophthalmic or pharmaceutical services, or
 - (b) performing personal medical or personal dental services under an agreement made under section 28C below,
 on any terms it thinks fit.
- (4) A Primary Care Trust which manages any hospital may make accommodation or services available there for patients who give undertakings (or for whom undertakings are given) to pay any charges imposed by the trust in respect of the accommodation or services.
- (5) A Primary Care Trust has power to do anything specified in section 7(2) of ^{M4}the Health and Medicines Act 1988 (provision of goods, services etc.), other than make accommodation or services available for patients at any hospital it manages, for the purpose of making additional income available for improving the health service.
- (6) A Primary Care Trust may only exercise a power conferred by subsection (4) or (5) above—
 - (a) to the extent that its exercise does not to any significant extent interfere with the performance by the trust of its functions or of its obligations under NHS contracts, and
 - (b) in circumstances specified in directions under section 17 above, with the Secretary of State’s consent.
- (7) In this section “hospital” means a health service hospital and includes any establishment or facility managed for the purposes of the health service.”

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I5 S. 5 partly in force; s. 5 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 5 in force for certain purposes (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2

Marginal Citations

M4 1988 c.49

6 Delegation of Health Authority functions relating to pilot schemes and section 28C arrangements.

(1) After section 8 of the ^{M5}National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997, there is inserted—

“8A Delegation of Health Authority functions relating to pilot schemes.

- (1) The following functions of a Health Authority are excepted functions for the purpose of section 17A of the 1977 Act—
 - (a) their function of entering into pilot schemes under which personal dental services are provided, and, where they have entered into such a scheme, any functions arising under the scheme which relate to those or any other services provided under the scheme,
 - (b) where a Primary Care Trust is providing any services under a pilot scheme, any functions of the Health Authority arising under that scheme (but the functions are only excepted in relation to that trust),
 - (c) their functions under section 4 (preparation of pilot scheme proposals),
 - (d) any function conferred under section 18 (funding work preparatory to pilot schemes).
- (2) The Secretary of State may by order make provision for any rights and liabilities arising under pilot schemes under which personal medical services are provided to be transferred from Health Authorities to Primary Care Trusts and from Primary Care Trusts to Health Authorities.
- (3) Subsection (2) is without prejudice to any other power of the Secretary of State to transfer rights and liabilities under the 1977 Act.”

(2) After section 28E of the 1977 Act there is inserted—

“28EE Delegation of Health Authority functions relating to section 28C arrangements.

- (1) ^{F1}.....
- (2) The Secretary of State may by order make provision for any rights and liabilities arising under an agreement to provide personal medical services under section 28C above to be transferred from [^{F2}Strategic Health Authorities] to Primary Care Trusts and from Primary Care Trusts to [^{F2}Strategic Health Authorities] .

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- (3) Subsection (2) above is without prejudice to any other power of the Secretary of State to transfer rights and liabilities under this Act.”

Textual Amendments

- F1** In s. 6(2), the inserted s. 28EE(1) of the 1977 Act is repealed (1.10.2002) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\)](#), ss. 4(3), 37(2), [Sch. 3 para. 14\(a\)](#), [Sch. 9 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2002/2478](#), [art. 3\(1\)\(c\)\(f\)](#) (subject to [arts. 2\(2\)](#), [3\(3\)](#) and with transitional provisions in [art. 4](#))
- F2** In s. 6(2), words in the inserted s. 28EE(2) of the 1977 Act substituted (1.10.2002) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\)](#), s. 4(3), [Sch. 3 para. 14\(b\)](#); [S.I. 2002/2478](#), [art. 3\(1\)\(c\)](#) (subject to [arts. 2\(2\)](#), [3\(3\)](#) and with transitional provisions in [art. 4](#))

Commencement Information

- I6** [S. 6](#) partly in force; [s. 6](#) not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 67\(1\)](#); [s. 6\(1\)](#) in force for E. at 4.1.2000 by [S.I. 1999/2342](#), [art. 2\(3\)\(a\)](#), [Sch. 2](#); [s. 6\(2\)](#) in force for E. at 1.4.2004 by [S.I. 2004/289](#), [art. 2](#)

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- M5** [1997 c.46](#).

7 Primary Care Trusts: trust-funds and trustees.

After section 96A of the 1977 Act there is inserted—

“96B Trust-funds and trustees for Primary Care Trusts.

- (1) The Secretary of State may by order provide for the appointment of trustees for any Primary Care Trust.
- (2) Trustees for a Primary Care Trust may accept, hold and administer any property on trust—
 - (a) for the general or any specific purposes of the Primary Care Trust (including the purposes of any specific hospital or other establishment or facility which is managed by the trust), or
 - (b) for all or any purposes relating to the health service.
- (3) An order under subsection (1) above may—
 - (a) make provision as to the persons by whom trustees are to be appointed and generally as to the method of their appointment,
 - (b) provide for any appointment to be subject to any conditions specified in the order (including conditions requiring the consent of the Secretary of State),
 - (c) make provision as to the number of trustees to be appointed, including provision under which that number may from time to time be determined by the Secretary of State after consultation with any persons he considers appropriate, and
 - (d) make provision about the term of office of any trustee and his removal from office.
- (4) Where trustees have been appointed for a Primary Care Trust under subsection (1) above, the Secretary of State may by order provide for the

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transfer of any trust property from the Primary Care Trust to the trustees so appointed.”

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8 Payments relating to past performance.

(1) Section 97 of the 1977 Act (public funding of Health Authorities and Special Health Authorities) is amended as follows.

(2) After subsection (3BB) there is inserted—

“(3C) Where the Secretary of State has made an initial determination of the amount (“the initial amount”) to be allotted for any year to a Health Authority under subsection (3) above, he may, if it appears to him that the authority satisfied in any preceding year any objectives notified as objectives to be met by Health Authorities for the purposes of this subsection in performing their functions, increase the initial amount by a further sum.

(3D) In subsection (3C) above, “notified” means specified or referred to in a notice given to Health Authorities by the Secretary of State.

(3E) In making any increase under subsection (3C) above, the Secretary of State may (whether by directions under subsection (6) below or otherwise) impose any conditions he thinks fit on the application or retention by the authority of the sum in question.

(3F) Where the Secretary of State has, under subsection (3C) above, increased by any sum the amount to be allotted for any year to a Health Authority and notified the authority of the allotment and it subsequently appears to him that the authority have failed (wholly or in part) to satisfy any conditions imposed in making that increase, he may—

- (a) reduce the allotment made to that authority for that year, or
- (b) when he has made an initial determination of the amount (“the initial amount”) to be allotted for any subsequent year to the authority under subsection (3) above, reduce the initial amount,

by an amount not exceeding that sum.”

(3) In subsection (5)—

- (a) after “reducing” there is inserted “ (subject to subsection (3F) above) ”,
- (b) at the end there is inserted “ and the reference to a determination in subsection (3C) above includes a determination made with a view to increasing or reducing an allotment previously so made ”.

Commencement Information

I8 S. 8 wholly in force; s. 8 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 8 in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**

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9 Indemnity cover for Part II services.

(1) Before section 44 of the 1977 Act there is inserted—

“ Indemnity cover

43C Indemnity cover.

- (1) Regulations may make provision for the purpose of securing that, in prescribed circumstances, prescribed Part II practitioners hold approved indemnity cover.
- (2) The regulations may, in particular, make provision as to the consequences of a failure to hold approved indemnity cover, including provision—
 - (a) for securing that a person is not to be added to any list unless he holds approved indemnity cover;
 - (b) for the removal from a list prepared by a Health Authority of a Part II practitioner who does not within a prescribed period after the making of a request by the Health Authority in the prescribed manner satisfy the Health Authority that he holds approved indemnity cover.
- (3) For the purposes of this section—

“approved body” means a person or persons approved in relation to indemnity cover of any description, after such consultation as may be prescribed, by the Secretary of State or by such other person as may be prescribed;

“approved indemnity cover” means indemnity cover made—

 - (a) on prescribed terms; and
 - (b) with an approved body;

“indemnity cover”, in relation to a Part II practitioner (or person who proposes to provide Part II services), means a contract of insurance or other arrangement made for the purpose of indemnifying him and any person prescribed in relation to him to any prescribed extent against any liability which—

 - (a) arises out of the provision of Part II services in accordance with arrangements made by him with a Health Authority under this Part of this Act; and
 - (b) is incurred by him or any such person in respect of the death or personal injury of a person;

“list” has the same meaning as in section 46 below;

“Part II practitioner” means a person whose name is on a list;

“Part II services” means general medical services, general dental services, general ophthalmic services or pharmaceutical services;

“personal injury” means any disease or impairment of a person’s physical or mental condition and includes the prolongation of any disease or such impairment;

and a person holds approved indemnity cover if he has entered into a contract or arrangement which constitutes approved indemnity cover.
- (4) The regulations may provide that a person of any description who has entered into a contract or arrangement which is—

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- (a) in a form identified in accordance with the regulations in relation to persons of that description; and
 - (b) made with a person or persons so identified,
- is to be treated as holding approved indemnity cover for the purposes of the regulations.”
- (2) In section 29A of the 1977 Act (medical lists), at the beginning of subsection (3) there is inserted “ Subject to any provision made under section 43C below, ”.
 - (3) In section 36 of that Act (regulations as to arrangements for general dental services), in subsection (1)(b), after “below” there is inserted “ to any provision made under section 43C below ”.
 - (4) In section 39 of that Act (regulations as to arrangements for general ophthalmic services), in paragraph (b), after “subject” there is inserted “ to any provision made under section 43C below and ”.

Commencement Information

- 19** S. 9 wholly in force at 1.4.2000; s. 9 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 9 in force (E.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(3)(b); s. 9 in force (W.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 2000/1041, art. 2(a)

10 Remuneration for Part II services.

- (1) For sections 43A and 43B of the 1977 Act (regulations as to Part II remuneration) there is substituted—

“43A Remuneration for Part II services.

- (1) The remuneration to be paid to persons who provide^{F3} . . . general ophthalmic services or pharmaceutical services under this Part of this Act shall be determined by determining authorities (and they may also determine the remuneration to be paid to persons providing those services in respect of the instruction of any person in matters relating to those services).
- (2) For the purposes of this section and section 43B below determining authorities are—
 - (a) the Secretary of State, and
 - (b) so far as authorised by him to exercise the functions of determining authorities, any Health Authority [^{F4}, Primary Care Trust] or other person appointed by him in an instrument (referred to in this section and section 43B below as an instrument of appointment).
- (3) An instrument of appointment—
 - (a) may contain requirements with which a determining authority appointed by that instrument must comply in making determinations, and
 - (b) may be contained in regulations.
- (4) Subject to this section and section 43B below, regulations may make provision about determining remuneration under subsection (1) above and may in particular impose requirements with which determining authorities

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must comply in making, or in connection with, determinations (including requirements as to consultation and publication).

- (5) Regulations may provide—
- (a) that determinations may be made by reference to any of the following—
 - (i) rates or conditions of remuneration of any persons or any descriptions of persons which are fixed or determined, or to be fixed or determined, otherwise than by way of a determination under subsection (1) above,
 - (ii) scales, indices or other data of any description specified in the regulations,
 - (b) that any determination which in accordance with regulations made by virtue of paragraph (a)(ii) above falls to be made by reference to a scale or an index or to any other data may be made not only by reference to that scale or index or those data in the form current at the time of the determination but also by reference to the scale, index or data in any subsequent form attributable to amendment or revision taking effect after that time or to any other cause.
- (6) Regulations may—
- (a) provide that determining authorities may make determinations which have effect in relation to remuneration in respect of a period beginning on or after a date specified in the determination, which may be the date of the determination or an earlier or later date, but may be an earlier date only if, taking the determination as a whole, it is not detrimental to the persons to whose remuneration it relates,
 - (b) provide that any determination which does not specify such a date shall have effect in relation to remuneration in respect of a period beginning—
 - (i) if it is required to be published, on the date of publication,
 - (ii) if it is not so required, on the date on which it is made.
- (7) A reference in this section or section 43B below to a determination is to a determination of remuneration under subsection (1) of this section.

43B Part II remuneration: supplementary.

- (1) Before a determination is made by the Secretary of State which relates to all persons who provide services of, or of a category falling within, one of the descriptions of services mentioned in section 43A(1) above, he—
- (a) shall consult a body appearing to him to be representative of persons to whose remuneration the determination would relate, and
 - (b) may consult such other persons as he considers appropriate.
- (2) Determinations may make different provision for different cases including different provision for any particular case, class of case or area.
- (3) Determinations may—
- (a) be made in more than one stage,
 - (b) be made by more than one determining authority,
 - (c) be varied or revoked by subsequent determinations.

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- (4) A determination may be varied—
- (a) to correct an error, or
 - (b) where it appears to the determining authority that it was made in ignorance of or under a mistake as to a relevant fact.
- (5) Determinations may, in particular, provide that the whole or any part of the remuneration—
- (a) is payable only if the determining authority is satisfied as to certain conditions, or
 - (b) is to be applied for certain purposes or is otherwise subject to certain conditions.
- (6) ^{F3} . . . remuneration under section 43A above may consist of payments by way of—
- (a) salary,
 - (b) fees,
 - (c) allowances,
 - (d) reimbursement (in full or in part) of expenses incurred or expected to be incurred in connection with the provision of the services or instruction,
- and may be determined from time to time.
- (7) At the time a determination is made or varied, certain matters which require determining may be reserved to be decided at a later time.
- (8) The matters which may be reserved include in particular—
- (a) the amount of remuneration to be paid in particular cases,
 - (b) whether any remuneration is to be paid in particular cases.
- (9) Any determination shall be made after taking into account all the matters which are considered to be relevant by the determining authority and such matters may include in particular—
- (a) the amount or estimated amount of expenses (taking into account any discounts) incurred in the past or likely to be incurred in the future (whether or not by persons to whose remuneration the determination will relate) in connection with the provision of services of the description in section 43A(1) above to which the determination will relate or of any category falling within that description,
 - (b) the amount or estimated amount of any remuneration paid or likely to be paid to persons providing such services,
 - (c) the amount or estimated amount of any other payments or repayments or other benefits received or likely to be received by any such persons,
 - (d) the extent to which it is desirable to encourage the provision, either generally or in particular places, of the description or category of services to which the determination will relate,
 - (e) the desirability of promoting services which are—
 - (i) economic and efficient, and
 - (ii) of an appropriate standard.
- (10) If the determination is of remuneration for a category of services falling within one of the descriptions of services mentioned in section 43A(1) above, the

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reference in subsection (9)(a) above to a category of services is a reference to the same category of services or to any other category of services falling within the same description.”

- (2) Sections 43A and 43B of the 1977 Act, as substituted by this section, have effect in relation to—
- (a) the making of determinations on or after the commencement of this section, and
 - (b) the variation or revocation on or after the commencement of this section of determinations whenever made,
- and in this subsection “determinations” means determinations under Part II of the 1977 Act of the remuneration to be paid to persons who provide services mentioned in section 43A(1).
- (3) Section 7(4) of the ^{M6}Health and Social Security Act 1984 and section 15(3) of the ^{M7}Health and Medicines Act 1988 (determinations of remuneration for services under Part II of 1977 Act deemed to be valid) have effect in relation to England and Wales as if—
- (a) after “inserted by this section” in section 7(4)(b) of the 1984 Act, and
 - (b) after “section 7 of the Health and Social Security Act 1984” in section 15(3) of the 1988 Act,
- there were inserted “ and before the coming into force of section 10 of the ^{M8}Health Act 1999 ”.

Textual Amendments

- F3** S. 10(1): words in the inserted ss. 43A(1) and 43B(6) repealed (1.4.2006) by [Health and Social Care \(Community Health and Standards\) Act 2003 \(c. 43\)](#), ss. 196, 199, [Sch. 14 Pt. 4](#); S.I. 2005/2925, arts. 1(3), [11\(2\)\(p\)](#)
- F4** In s. 10(1) in the inserted s. 43A(2)(b) of the 1977 Act, words inserted (1.10.2002) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\)](#), s. 2(5), [Sch. 2 para. 68](#); S.I. 2002/2478, [art. 3\(1\)\(d\)](#) (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)

Marginal Citations

- M6** 1984 c.48.
M7 1988 c.49.
M8 1999 c.8.

11 Local representative committees.

- (1) Section 44 of the 1977 Act (recognition of local representative committees) is amended as provided in subsections (2) to (4).
- (2) Before subsection (1) there is inserted—
- “(A1) A Health Authority may recognise a committee formed for their area which they are satisfied is representative of—
- (a) the medical practitioners providing general medical services or general ophthalmic services in that area;
 - (b) those medical practitioners and the deputy medical practitioners for that area; or

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- (c) the medical practitioners mentioned in—
 - (i) paragraph (a) above; or
 - (ii) paragraph (b) above,
 and the section 28C medical practitioners for that area,

and any committee so recognised shall be called the Local Medical Committee for the area.
- (B1) A Health Authority may recognise a committee formed for their area which they are satisfied is representative of—
 - (a) the dental practitioners providing general dental services in that area;
 - (b) those dental practitioners and the deputy dental practitioners for that area; or
 - (c) the dental practitioners mentioned in—
 - (i) paragraph (a) above; or
 - (ii) paragraph (b) above,
 and the section 28C dental practitioners for that area,

and any committee so recognised shall be called the Local Dental Committee for the area.”
- (3) In subsection (1), paragraphs (a) and (b) and “the Local Medical Committee, the Local Dental Committee,” are omitted.
- (4) After subsection (2) there is inserted—
 - “(3) For the purposes of this section and section 45 below, a person who meets the condition in subsection (4) below—
 - (a) is a deputy medical practitioner for the area of a Health Authority if he is a medical practitioner who assists a medical practitioner providing general medical services in that area in the provision of those services but is not himself on a list;
 - (b) is a section 28C medical practitioner for the area of a Health Authority if he is a medical practitioner who provides or performs personal medical services in accordance with arrangements made under section 28C above by the Health Authority (whether with himself or another);
 - (c) is a deputy dental practitioner for the area of a Health Authority if he is a dental practitioner who assists a dental practitioner providing general dental services in that area in the provision of those services but is not himself on a list;
 - (d) is a section 28C dental practitioner for the area of a Health Authority if he is a dental practitioner who provides or performs personal dental services in accordance with arrangements made under section 28C above by the Health Authority (whether with himself or another).
- (4) The condition referred to in subsection (3) above is that the person concerned has notified the Health Authority that he wishes to be represented under this section by the appropriate committee for their area (and has not notified them that he wishes to cease to be so represented).
- (5) For the purposes of subsection (3) above—

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- (a) a person is to be treated as assisting a medical practitioner or dental practitioner in the provision of services if he is employed by that practitioner for that purpose or if he acts as his deputy in providing those services; and
 - (b) “list” has the same meaning as in section 46 below.”
- (5) Section 45 of that Act (functions of local representative committees) is amended as provided in subsections (6) to (8).
- (6) For subsection (1) there is substituted—
 - “(1) Regulations may require Health Authorities—
 - (a) in the exercise of their functions under this Part of this Act to consult committees recognised by them under section 44 above,
 - (b) in the exercise of any of their functions which relate to arrangements under section 28C above to consult committees recognised by them under section 44(A1)(c) or (B1)(c) above,
 on such occasions and to such extent as may be prescribed.
 - (1A) The power conferred by subsection (1) above is without prejudice to any other power to require a Health Authority to consult any committee recognised under section 44 above.
 - (1B) Committees recognised under section 44 above shall exercise such other functions as may be prescribed.
 - (1C) A committee recognised for an area under subsection (A1)(b) or (c) or (B1)(b) or (c) of section 44 above shall, in respect of each year, determine the amount of its administrative expenses for that year attributable —
 - (a) in the case of a committee recognised under subsection (A1)(b) or (c) (ii) of that section, to the deputy medical practitioners for the area;
 - (b) in the case of a committee recognised under subsection (A1)(c) of that section, to the section 28C medical practitioners for the area;
 - (c) in the case of a committee recognised under subsection (B1)(b) or (c) (ii) of that section, to the deputy dental practitioners for the area;
 - (d) in the case of a committee recognised under subsection (B1)(c) of that section, to the section 28C dental practitioners for the area.”
- (7) In subsection (2), “(including travelling and subsistence allowances payable to its members)” is omitted.
- (8) After subsection (3) there is inserted—
 - “(4) Where a committee has made a determination under subsection (1C) above, it shall apportion the amount so determined among the deputy medical practitioners, section 28C medical practitioners, deputy dental practitioners or section 28C dental practitioners, as the case may be, for the area and each such practitioner shall pay in accordance with the committee’s directions the amount so apportioned to him.
 - (5) References in this section to administrative expenses of a committee include references to travelling and subsistence allowances payable to its members; but the reference in subsection (2) above to a committee’s administrative expenses does not include so much of the committee’s administrative

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expenses as are determined under subsection (1C) above to be attributable to any practitioners mentioned in that subsection.”

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I10 S. 11 wholly in force; s. 11 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 11 in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; s. 11 in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 2000/1026, art. 2(1), Sch

^{x1}12 Directions.

(1) For section 17 of the 1977 Act (Secretary of State’s directions) there is substituted—

“ Directions as to distribution and exercise of functions

16D Secretary of State’s directions: distribution of functions.

- (1) The Secretary of State may direct a Health Authority or Special Health Authority to exercise any of his functions relating to the health service which are specified in the directions.
- (2) The Secretary of State may direct a Special Health Authority to exercise any functions of a Health Authority or a Primary Care Trust which are specified in the directions.
- (3) The functions which may be specified in directions under this section include functions under enactments relating to mental health and nursing homes.

17 Secretary of State’s directions: exercise of functions.

- (1) The Secretary of State may give directions to any of the bodies mentioned in subsection (2) below about their exercise of any functions.
- (2) The bodies are—
 - (a) Health Authorities;
 - (b) Special Health Authorities;
 - (c) Primary Care Trusts;
 - (d) NHS trusts.
- (3) The power conferred by subsection (1) above shall not be exercised so as to give any directions which may be given under—
 - (a) section 27, 28A, 41A, 97, 97A or 99 of, or paragraph 10 of Schedule 5 or paragraph 9 of Schedule 5A to, this Act;
 - (b) section 7(3)(ii) of the ^{M9}Health and Medicines Act 1988 (directions about the exercise of powers for financing the health service); or
 - (c) section 28 of the ^{M10}Health Act 1999 (plans for improving health etc.).

17A Health Authority’s directions: distribution of functions.

- (1) A Health Authority may direct a Primary Care Trust whose area falls within their area to exercise any specified delegable functions.

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- (2) A function is a delegable function for the purposes of this section if it is a function exercisable by the Health Authority which is not an excepted function.
- (3) In subsection (2) above “excepted function” means a function under—
 - (a) section 4 above;
 - (b) section 15 above (except in so far as it relates to general medical services);
 - (c) section 44 or 45(1C) to (4) below; or
 - (d) any of the other provisions of Part II of this Act—
 - (i) unless it is a function under section 51, 52 or 53; or
 - (ii) in relation to the remaining provisions of Part II, except in so far as the function relates to general medical services,
 or a function referred to in section 28EE(1)(a) to (d) below.
- (4) The Secretary of State may direct Health Authorities that specified delegable functions—
 - (a) are to be exercisable, or exercisable to (or only to) any specified extent, by Primary Care Trusts; or
 - (b) are not to be exercisable by Primary Care Trusts,
 and that the power under subsection (1) above is to be exercised accordingly.
- (5) In this section “specified” means specified in directions.

17B Health Authority’s directions: exercise of functions.

- (1) A Health Authority may give directions to a Primary Care Trust about its exercise of any functions which the authority have directed the trust to exercise under section 17A above.
- (2) Directions under this section have effect subject to any directions given under section 17 above.”
- (2) Subsection (3) of section 17 of the ^{MH}1977 Act applies in relation to the powers to give directions conferred by sections 4, 6 and 8 of the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 (proposals for, and making, variation and termination of, pilot schemes) as it applies in relation to the powers conferred by any of the provisions mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (c) of that subsection.
- (3) For section 18 of the 1977 Act (directions and regulations under sections 11 to 17) down to the end of subsection (1) there is substituted—

“ Directions and regulations: general

18 Directions and regulations under preceding provisions.

- (1) Any directions given by the Secretary of State under section 16D, 17 or 17A above shall be given by regulations or by an instrument in writing.
- (1A) But any directions given by him—
 - (a) under section 16D above about functions under section 4 above;

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(b) under section 17A(4) above about functions relating to general medical services; or

(c) under section 16D, 17 or 17A above about functions conferred on the Secretary of State by section 20(1) or (2) below,

shall be given by regulations.

(1B) Directions given by a Health Authority under section 17A or 17B above shall be given by an instrument in writing.”

(4) In subsection (3) of that section, for “11 to 17” there is substituted “ 16 to 17B above ”.

(5) Section 13 of the 1977 Act (Secretary of State’s directions) is to cease to have effect.

Editorial Information

X1 Editorial Note: s. 12(2) was substituted by Health and Social Care Act 2001 c. 15, ss. 67, 70(2), **Sch. 6 Pt. 1**, coming into force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act). The amendment was superseded by the repeal of s. 12 on 1.3.2007 by the National Health Service (consequential Provisions) Act 2006 c. 43, ss. 6, 8(2), **Sch. 4**

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I11 S. 12 wholly in force at 4.1.2000; s. 12 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 12(1)(3)(4) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**; s. 12(2)(5) in force at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**; S. 12(1)(3)(4) in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184 (W. 42), art. 2(2), Sch. 2; s. 12(2)(5) in force (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184 (W. 42), art. 2(2), Sch. 2; s. 12 in force (E.) insofar as not already in force at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), **Sch. 2**

Marginal Citations

M9 1988 c.49.

M10 1999 c.8.

M11 1997 c.46.

NHS trusts

13 Establishment orders.

(1) In section 5 of the 1990 Act (NHS trusts)—

(a) in subsection (1), for paragraphs (a) and (b) there is substituted “ to provide goods and services for the purposes of the health service ”, and

(b) for subsection (6) there is substituted—

“(6) The functions which may be specified in an order under subsection (1) above include a duty to provide goods or services so specified at or from a hospital or other establishment or facility so specified.”

(2) In section 26(3) of that Act (interpretation of Part I), after the definition of “health board” there is inserted—

““provide” includes manage”.

(3) Any order under section 5(1) of that Act—

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- (a) is to be treated as always having had effect with the omission of any obligation for the NHS trust to which the order relates to own land specified in the order, and
 - (b) so far as any functions specified in it could have been specified under that provision as amended by this Act, is to be treated as having been made under that provision as so amended.
- (4) Any restriction preventing the acquisition of any land by any NHS trust (including an NHS trust dissolved before the commencement of this section) merely because the land did not comprise a hospital or other establishment or facility previously managed or provided by a Health Authority, a Special Health Authority, a Regional Health Authority or a District Health Authority is to be treated as never having had effect.
- (5) An order under section 63 may—
- (a) provide for any provision made by it for the purposes of, in consequence of or for giving full effect to this section to be treated as having had effect from a time before the commencement of this section,
 - (b) make such provision about an NHS trust dissolved before that commencement.
- (6) In section 11(1) of the 1990 Act (trust funds and trustees for NHS trusts), for “which is owned and managed” there is substituted “ at or from which services are provided ”.
- (7) In paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 2 to that Act (establishment orders), for “assume responsibility for the ownership and management of” there is substituted “ provide services at ”.
- (8) In paragraph 16(2) of that Schedule (general powers of NHS trusts), for “which is owned and managed” there is substituted “ at or from which services are provided ”.
- (9) In paragraph 3 of Schedule 3 to that Act (borrowing limits), in sub-paragraphs (1) and (2), for the words from “established” to “manage” there is substituted “ which are required to provide services at or from ”.
- (10) The 1990 Act is to be treated as always having had effect subject to the amendments made by this section.
- (11) Paragraphs (aa) and (ab) of section 91(3) of the 1977 Act (private trusts for hospitals) are to be treated as always having had effect (until their replacement by paragraph 27(a) of Schedule 4 to this Act) with the omission of “owned and”.

Commencement Information

I12 S. 13 wholly in force at 1.11.1999; s. 13 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 13 in force for E. at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), **Sch. 1**; s. 13 in force for W. at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**

14 Exercise of powers.

For section 5(9) of the 1990 Act (restrictions on exercise of certain powers) there is substituted—

“(9) A power conferred by paragraph 14 or 15 of Part II of Schedule 2 to this Act may only be exercised—

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- (a) to the extent that its exercise does not to any significant extent interfere with the performance by the NHS trust of its functions or of its obligations under NHS contracts, and
- (b) in circumstances specified in directions under section 17 of the principal Act, with the consent of the Secretary of State.”

Commencement Information

I13 S. 14 wholly in force at 1.11.1999; s. 14 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 14 in force (E.) at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; s. 14 in force (W.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184 (W.42), art. 2(1), Sch. 1

15 Public dividend capital.

- (1) Section 9 of the 1990 Act (originating capital debt of, and other financial provisions relating to, NHS trusts) is amended as provided in subsections (2) to (5).
- (2) In subsections (1), (2) and (3), for “originating capital debt” there is substituted “originating capital”.
- (3) For subsection (4) there is substituted—
 - “(4) An NHS trust’s originating capital shall be public dividend capital.”
- (4) Subsections (5) and (6) are omitted.
- (5) In subsection (7), for the words from “the terms” to the end there is substituted—
 - “(a) the dividend which is to be payable at any time on any public dividend capital issued, or treated as issued, under this Act,
 - (b) the amount of any such public dividend capital which is to be repaid at any time,
 - (c) any other terms on which any public dividend capital is so issued, or treated as issued”.
- (6) In Schedule 3 to that Act—
 - (a) in paragraph 3 (limits on indebtedness), sub-paragraph (3) is omitted, and
 - (b) in paragraph 5 (additional public dividend capital), sub-paragraph (2) is omitted.

Commencement Information

I14 s. 15 wholly in force at 1.11.1999; s. 15 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 15 in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; s. 15 in force (W.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184 (W.42), art. 2(1), Sch. 1

16 Existing NHS trusts: conversion of initial loan.

- (1) This section applies to any NHS trust in existence immediately before commencement.
- (2) On commencement so much of the originating capital debt of the NHS trust as remains outstanding immediately before commencement is to be treated as the originating capital of the NHS trust and accordingly is public dividend capital.

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- (3) Any reference in any enactment, instrument or other document to the originating capital debt of the NHS trust is to be construed (except where the context otherwise requires) as a reference to its originating capital.
- (4) The Secretary of State may with the consent of the Treasury determine the amount and time for payment of interest on the NHS trust's initial loan in respect of the period ending with commencement.
- (5) In this section—
 - “commencement” means the coming into force of this section,
 - “initial loan” has the meaning given by section 9(5) of the 1990 Act.

Commencement Information

I15 S. 16 wholly in force at 1.11.1999; s. 16 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 16 in force for E. at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; s. 16 in force for W. at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(1), Sch. 1

17 Borrowing.

- (1) Schedule 3 to the 1990 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) In paragraph 1 (borrowing powers of NHS trusts), in sub-paragraph (1), after “Subject to” there is inserted “ any direction given by the Secretary of State under section 17 of the principal Act, to ”.
- (3) Sub-paragraphs (3) to (5) of that paragraph are omitted.
- (4) For sub-paragraph (6) of that paragraph there is substituted—
 - “(6) It shall be for the Secretary of State, with the consent of the Treasury, to determine the terms of any loan made by him to an NHS trust (including terms as to the payment of interest, if any).”

Commencement Information

I16 S. 17 wholly in force at 1.11.1999; s. 17 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 17 in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; s. 17 in force (W.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184 (W.42), art. 2(1), Sch. 1

Quality etc

18 Duty of quality.

- (1) ^{F5}It is the duty of each Strategic Health Authority to put and keep in place arrangements for the purpose of monitoring and improving the quality of health care which is provided to individuals in their area, and] it is the duty of each Health Authority, Primary Care Trust and NHS trust to put and keep in place arrangements for the purpose of monitoring and improving the quality of health care which it provides to individuals.

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- (2) The reference in subsection (1) to health care which a body there mentioned provides to individuals includes health care which the body provides jointly with another person to individuals.
- (3) The Secretary of State may by regulations extend the duty in this section to Special Health Authorities of any particular description.
- (4) In this section—
 - “health care” means services for or in connection with the prevention, diagnosis or treatment of illness,
 - “illness” has the meaning given by section 128(1) of the 1977 Act.

Textual Amendments

F5 Words in s. 18(1) inserted (1.10.2002) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 37(1), Sch. 8 para. 29; S.I. 2002/2478, art. 3(1)(e) (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C3 S. 18 extended (1.4.2000) by S.I. 2000/660, reg. 2

Commencement Information

I17 S. 18 partly in force; s. 18 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 18 in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; s. 18 in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184 (W.42), art. 2(1), Sch. 1; s. 18 in force insofar as not already in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(2)

19 The Commission for Health Improvement.

- (1) There is to be a body corporate known as the Commission for Health Improvement.
- (2) The Commission is to have the functions conferred on it by or under sections 20 to 22.
- (3) Schedule 2 makes further provision in relation to the Commission.

20 Functions of the Commission.

- (1) The Commission has the following functions—
 - (a) the function of providing advice or information with respect to arrangements by Primary Care Trusts or NHS trusts for the purpose of monitoring and improving the quality of health care for which they have responsibility,
 - (b) the function of conducting reviews of, and making reports on, arrangements by Primary Care Trusts or NHS trusts for the purpose of monitoring and improving the quality of health care for which they have responsibility,
 - (c) the function of carrying out investigations into, and making reports on, the management, provision or quality of health care for which [^{F6}Strategic Health Authorities,] Health Authorities, Primary Care Trusts or NHS trusts have responsibility,
 - (d) the function of conducting reviews of, and making reports on, the management, provision or quality of, or access to or availability of, [^{F7}health care] for which NHS bodies, ^{F8} . . .

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- [^{F9}(da) the function of conducting reviews of, and making reports on, the quality of data obtained by others relating to the management, provision or quality of, or access to or availability of, health care for which NHS bodies or service providers have responsibility, the validity of conclusions drawn from such data, and the methods used in their collection and analysis,]
- [^{F10}(db) the function of carrying out inspections of NHS bodies and service providers, and persons who provide or are to provide health care for which NHS bodies or service providers have responsibility, and making reports on the inspections, and]
- (e) such functions as may be prescribed relating to the management, provision or quality of, or access to or availability of, health care for which prescribed NHS bodies or prescribed service providers have responsibility.
- [^{F11}(1A) The functions of conducting reviews and of carrying out investigations include—
- (a) the collection and analysis of data, and
- (b) the assessment of performance against criteria.
- (1B) Subject to any regulations under paragraph (d) of subsection (2), the Commission must publish at least a summary of each report it makes in the exercise of the functions conferred on it by or under this section and sections 21 and 22.]
- [^{F12}(1C) The inspections referred to in paragraph (db) of subsection (1) are to be carried out only in connection with the function referred to in paragraph (d) of that subsection.
- (1D) If after carrying out—
- (a) a review under subsection (1)(b),
- (b) an investigation under subsection (1)(c),
- (c) any function equivalent to one referred to in paragraph (a) or (b) prescribed under subsection (1)(e), or
- (d) an inspection under subsection (1)(db),
- the Commission is of the view referred to in subsection (1E) as to a body, service provider or other person reviewed, investigated or inspected (taking account, if appropriate, of any other relevant information the Commission may have), the Commission must make a report of its view to the Secretary of State.
- (1E) The view referred to is that—
- (a) the health care for which the body or service provider in question has responsibility is of unacceptably poor quality (whether generally or in particular areas), or
- (b) there are significant failings in the way the body, service provider or other person is being run (including, where the service provider or other person is an individual, the way his practice is being run).
- (1F) In its report, the Commission may recommend to the Secretary of State that he take special measures in relation to the body or service provider in question with a view to improving the health care for which it is responsible or the way the body, service provider or other person (or, as mentioned in subsection (1E)(b), his practice) is being run.
- (1G) The report must give the Commission's reasons for its view, and for any recommendation under subsection (1F).]
- (2) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision—

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- (a) as to the times at which, the cases in which, the manner in which, the persons in relation to which or the matters with respect to which any functions of the Commission are to be exercised,
 - (b) as to the matters to be considered or taken into account in connection with the exercise of any functions of the Commission,
 - (c) as to the persons to whom any advice, information or reports are to be given or made,
 - [^{F13}(d) as to cases or classes of case in which the Commission must publish reports (and not just summaries),]
 - (e) as to the recovery from prescribed persons of amounts in respect of the expenditure incurred by the Commission in the exercise of any of its functions, and
 - (f) for or in connection with the exercise of functions of the Commission in conjunction with the exercise of statutory functions of other persons.
- (3) The Secretary of State may give directions with respect to the exercise of any functions of the Commission.
- (4) The Commission must comply with any directions under this section.
- (5) For the purposes of this section a person has responsibility for health care—
- (a) if he provides or is to provide that care to individuals, or
 - (b) if another person provides or is to provide that care to individuals—
 - (i) at his direction,
 - (ii) on his behalf, or
 - (iii) in accordance with an agreement or arrangements made by him with that other person.
- (6) References in subsection (5) to the provision of care include references to the provision of care jointly with another person.
- (7) In this section—
- “health care” has the meaning given by section 18(4),
 - “NHS body” means a [^{F14}Strategic Health Authority,] Health Authority, Special Health Authority, Primary Care Trust or NHS trust,
 - “prescribed” means prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State,
 - “service provider” means a person who provides services—
 - (a) in accordance with arrangements under section 28C of the 1977 Act, or
 - (b) under Part II of that Act,
 - [^{F15}or
 - (c) in accordance with arrangements under section 28 of the Health and Social Care Act 2001,]
 - “statutory function” means a function conferred by or under any enactment.
- [^{F16}(8) If a Local Health Board has responsibility for any health care—
- (a) paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of subsection (1) are to be read as if they included a reference to that Local Health Board as well as to the bodies which are mentioned there, and
 - (b) the definition of “NHS body” in subsection (7) is to be read as if it included a reference to that Local Health Board.]

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Textual Amendments

- F6** Words in s. 20(1)(c) inserted (1.10.2002) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 1(3), **Sch. 1 para. 49(a)**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(c)** (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)
- F7** Words in s. 20(1)(d) substituted (11.7.2003) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), **ss. 12(2)(a)**, 42(3); S.I. 2003/1580, **art. 2(2)(a)**
- F8** Word in s. 20(1)(d) repealed (11.7.2003) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), **ss. 12(2)(b)**, 37(2), 42(3), **Sch. 9 Pt. 1**; S.I. 2003/1580, **art. 2(2)(a)(c)**
- F9** S. 20(1)(da) inserted (11.7.2003) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), **ss. 12(2)(c)**, 42(3); S.I. 2003/1580, **art. 2(2)(a)**
- F10** S. 20(1)(db) inserted (11.7.2003) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), **ss. 13(1)(a)**, 42(3); S.I. 2003/1580, **art. 2(2)(a)**
- F11** S. 20(1A)(1B) inserted (11.7.2003) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), **ss. 12(3)**, 42(3); S.I. 2003/1580, **art. 2(2)(a)**
- F12** S. 20(1C)-(1G) inserted (11.7.2003) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), **ss. 13(1)(b)**, 42(3); S.I. 2003/1580, **art. 2(2)(a)**
- F13** S. 20(2)(d) substituted (18.6.2003 for certain purposes, otherwise 11.7.2003) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), **ss. 12(4)**, 42(3); S.I. 2003/1580, **art. 2(1)**
- F14** Words in s. 20(7) in the definition of "NHS body" inserted (1.10.2002) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 1(3), **Sch. 1 para. 49(b)**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(c)** (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)
- F15** Words in s. 20(7) in the definition of "service provider" inserted (E.) (12.12.2002) by The National Health Service (Local Pharmaceutical Services Etc.) Regulations 2002 (S.I. 2002/2861), **reg. 27**
- F16** S. 20(8) inserted (10.10.2002 for W., otherwise 1.3.2007) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), **ss. 6(2)**, 42(3), **Sch. 5 para. 44**; S.I. 2002/2532, **art. 2**, **Sch.**; S.I. 2006/1407, **art. 1(1)**, 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 12**

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C4** S. 20(1): functions modified (1.7.1999) by S.I. 1999/672, **art. 5**, **Sch. 2** (as inserted (30.6.1999) by 1999 c. 8, **ss. 66(4)(6)**, 67(4))

Commencement Information

- I18** S. 20 partly in force; s. 20 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 20 in force for certain purposes at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, **art. 2(1)(b)**, **Sch. 2**; s. 20 in force insofar as not already in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, **art. 2(2)**

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- (1) If requested to do so by the Commission in any particular case, the Audit Commission may join with the Commission in exercising—
- (a) the Commission's functions under section [F1720(1)(b), (d), (da) or (db)], or
 - (b) any functions of the Commission—
 - (i) which are conferred under section 20(1)(e),
 - (ii) which correspond to its functions under section 20(1)(b), and
 - (iii) which relate to [F18Strategic Health Authorities,] Health Authorities or Special Health Authorities.
- (2) If requested to do so by the Audit Commission in any particular case, the Commission may assist the Audit Commission in the exercise of its functions under section 33(1)

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of the ^{M12}Audit Commission Act 1998 so far as they relate to any body specified in section 98(1) of the 1977 Act.

- (3) For the purposes of subsection (1), the Commission's functions under paragraph (b) or (d) of section 20(1) are to be treated as including the function of conducting and making reports on studies designed to improve—
- (a) economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the performance of any functions of the persons mentioned in that paragraph, and
 - (b) the management of those persons.
- (4) For the purposes of subsection (1), the Commission's functions mentioned in subsection (1)(b) are to be treated as including the function of conducting and making reports on studies designed to improve—
- (a) economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the performance of any functions of the bodies mentioned in subsection (1)(b)(iii) to which those functions of the Commission relate, and
 - (b) the management of those bodies.
- (5) Any report prepared by virtue of subsection (1) is to be prepared by the Commission acting in conjunction with the Audit Commission.
- (6) The Audit Commission may not act as mentioned in subsection (1) unless, before it does so, the Commission has agreed to pay the Audit Commission an amount equal to the full costs incurred by the Audit Commission in so acting.
- (7) The Commission may not act as mentioned in subsection (2) unless, before it does so, the Audit Commission has agreed to pay the Commission an amount equal to the full costs incurred by the Commission in so acting.
- (8) Any reference in subsection (5) or (6) to subsection (1) is a reference to that subsection as read with subsections (3) and (4).
- (9) In this section “the Audit Commission” means the Audit Commission for Local Authorities and the National Health Service in England and Wales.

Textual Amendments

- F17** Words in s. 21(1)(a) substituted (10.10.2002 for W., otherwise 11.7.2003) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\), ss. 37\(1\), 42\(3\), {Sch. 8 para. 30}; S.I. 2002/2532, art. 2, Sch.](#); S.I. 2003/1580, [art. 2\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- F18** Words in s. 21(1)(b)(iii) inserted (1.10.2002) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\), ss. 1\(3\), Sch. 1 para. 50](#); S.I. 2002/2478, [art. 3\(1\)\(c\)](#) (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C5** S. 21(2) modified (W.) (3.4.2003) by [Commission For Health Improvement \(Functions\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/993\), regs. 1\(1\), 20](#)

Commencement Information

- I19** S. 21 wholly in force at 1.4.2000; s. 21 not in force at Royal Assent see [s. 67\(1\)](#); s. 21 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by [S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2\(2\)](#); s. 21 in force at 1.4.2000 insofar as not already in force by [S.I. 2000/1041, art. 2\(b\)](#)

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M12 1998 c.18.

22 Arrangements with Ministers.

- (1) Arrangements may be made between the Commission and a Minister of the Crown—
 - (a) for the Commission to perform any of its functions in relation to any prescribed health scheme for which the Minister has responsibility, or
 - (b) for the Commission to provide services or facilities in so far as they are required by the Minister in connection with any such health scheme.
- (2) Arrangements may be made between the Commission and a Northern Ireland Minister—
 - (a) for the Commission to perform on behalf of the Minister any functions of the Minister which—
 - (i) correspond to any functions of the Commission, and
 - (ii) relate to the Northern Irish health service, or
 - (b) for the Commission to provide services or facilities in so far as they are required by the Minister in connection with the exercise by him of any such functions.
- (3) Arrangements under this section may be made on such terms and conditions as may be agreed between the parties to the arrangements.
- (4) Those terms and conditions may include provision with respect to the making of payments to the Commission in respect of the cost to the Commission of performing or providing any functions, services or facilities under the arrangements.
- (5) Any arrangements under subsection (2)(a) are not to affect the responsibility of the Northern Ireland Minister on whose behalf any functions are exercised.
- (6) In this section—

“health scheme” means any scheme which appears to the Secretary of State to be a health or medical scheme paid for out of public funds,

“Minister of the Crown” has the same meaning as in the ^{M13}Ministers of the Crown Act 1975,

“Northern Ireland Minister” includes the First Minister, the deputy First Minister and a Northern Ireland department,

“Northern Irish health service” means any of the health services under any enactment which extends to Northern Ireland and which corresponds to section 1(1) of the 1977 Act,

“prescribed” means prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State.

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M13 1975 c.26.

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23 Obtaining information etc.

- (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision—
- (a) conferring a right on persons authorised by the Commission to enter [^{F19}relevant premises] at such times, in such cases, for such purposes and on such conditions as may be prescribed in order—
 - (i) to inspect those premises, or
 - (ii) to inspect and take copies of prescribed documents held by prescribed persons on those premises,
 - (b) requiring prescribed persons at such times, at such places, in such cases and for such purposes as may be prescribed to produce prescribed documents or information, or make reports, to the Commission or to persons authorised by the Commission,
 - (c) requiring prescribed persons at such times, at such places, in such cases and for such purposes as may be prescribed to provide to the Commission, or to persons authorised by the Commission, an explanation of—
 - (i) any matters which are the subject of the exercise of any functions of the Commission, or
 - (ii) any documents or information inspected, copied or produced as mentioned in paragraph (a) or (b).
- (2) Regulations under this section may not make provision with respect to the disclosure of confidential information which relates to and identifies a living individual unless one or more of the following conditions is satisfied—
- (a) the information is disclosed in a form in which the identity of the individual cannot be ascertained,
 - (b) the individual consents to the information being disclosed,
 - (c) the individual cannot be traced despite the taking of all reasonable steps,
 - (d) in a case where the Commission is exercising its functions under section 20(1) (c) [^{F20}, (d) or (db), or any functions equivalent to those under section 20(1) (c) prescribed under section 20(1)(e)]—
 - (i) it is not practicable to disclose the information in a form in which the identity of the individual cannot be ascertained,
 - (ii) the Commission considers that there is a serious risk to the health or safety of patients arising out of the matters which are the subject of the exercise of those functions, and
 - (iii) having regard to that risk and the urgency of the exercise of those functions, the Commission considers that the information should be disclosed without the consent of the individual.
- (3) Regulations under this section may not make provision with respect to the disclosure of information if that disclosure would be prohibited by or under any other enactment; but where information is held in a form in which the prohibition operates by reason of the fact that the information is capable of identifying an individual, regulations under this section may make provision with respect to the disclosure of the information in a form in which the identity of the individual cannot be ascertained.
- (4) Any person who without reasonable excuse—
- (a) obstructs a person authorised by the Commission in the exercise of any right conferred by virtue of subsection (1)(a), or

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- (b) fails to comply with any requirement imposed by virtue of subsection (1)(b) or (c),
- is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.
- (5) In this section any reference to documents includes a reference to information held by means of a computer or in any other electronic form; and in the case of information so held, regulations under this section may make provision for it to be made available or produced in a visible and legible form.
- (6) In this section—
- “confidential information” means information which is held subject to a duty of confidence, and includes information contained in a health record,
- “health record” has the meaning given by section 68(2) of the ^{M14}Data Protection Act 1998,
- ^{F21}
- “prescribed” means prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State.
- [^{F22}“relevant premises” means—
- (a) premises owned or controlled by an NHS body,
- (b) premises owned or controlled by a Local Health Board,
- (c) premises owned or controlled by a service provider and used for purposes connected with the services provided,
- (d) any other premises used for any purpose connected with the provision of health care for which an NHS body, a service provider or a Local Health Board has responsibility,
- (and terms used in this definition have the meaning given by section 20(7) (disregarding section 20(8)(b))).]

Textual Amendments

- F19** Words in s. 23(1)(a) substituted (18.6.2003 for certain purposes, otherwise 11.7.2003) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), ss. 13(2)(a), 42(3); S.I. 2003/1580, art. 2(1)
- F20** Words in s. 23(2)(d) inserted (18.6.2003 for certain purposes, otherwise 11.7.2003) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), ss. 13(2)(b), 42(3); S.I. 2003/1580, art. 2(1)
- F21** Definition in s. 23(6) repealed (18.6.2003 for certain purposes, otherwise 11.7.2003) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), ss. 13(2)(c)(i), 37(2), 42(3), Sch. 9 Pt. 1; S.I. 2003/1580, art. 2(1)(2)(c)
- F22** Definition in s. 23(6) inserted (18.6.2003 for certain purposes, otherwise 11.7.2003) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), ss. 13(2)(c)(ii), 42(3); S.I. 2003/1580, art. 2(1)

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- M14** 1988 c.29.

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24 Restrictions on disclosure of information.

- (1) A person who, without lawful authority, knowingly or recklessly discloses information which—
 - (a) falls within section 23(2), and
 - (b) has been obtained by the Commission in accordance with any condition mentioned in section 23(2),
 is guilty of an offence if the disclosure is made during the lifetime of the individual to whom the information relates.
- (2) A person who, without lawful authority, knowingly or recklessly discloses information which—
 - (a) relates to and identifies an individual,
 - (b) has been obtained by the Commission on terms or in circumstances requiring it to be held in confidence, and
 - (c) does not fall within subsection (1),
 is guilty of an offence if the disclosure is made during the lifetime of that individual.
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable—
 - (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum or to both, or
 - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to a fine or to both.
- (4) It is not an offence under this section—
 - (a) to disclose information in a form in which the individual to whom the information relates is not identified, or
 - (b) to disclose information which has previously been disclosed to the public with lawful authority.
- (5) It is a defence for a person charged with an offence under this section to prove that at the time of the alleged offence—
 - (a) he believed that he was making the disclosure in question with lawful authority and had no reasonable cause to believe otherwise, or
 - (b) he believed that the information in question had previously been disclosed to the public with lawful authority and had no reasonable cause to believe otherwise.
- (6) For the purposes of this section a disclosure of information is to be regarded as made with lawful authority if, and only if, it is made—
 - (a) with the consent of the individual to whom the information relates,
 - (b) for the purpose of facilitating the exercise of any functions of the Commission,
 - (c) for the purpose of facilitating the conduct of any investigation under the ^{M15}Health Service Commissioners Act 1993,
 - (d) in accordance with any enactment or order of a court,
 - (e) in connection with the investigation of a serious arrestable offence,
 - (f) for the purposes of criminal proceedings in any part of the United Kingdom,
 - (g) in a case where the information appears to the Commission to reveal—
 - (i) that the performance of a health professional in his capacity as such has or may have fallen substantially below that which is expected,

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- (ii) that a health professional has or may have been guilty of serious professional misconduct, or
 - (iii) that the fitness of a health professional to practise as such is or may be seriously impaired by reason of his physical or mental condition,
- and the person to whom the information is disclosed is a person to whom the Commission considers that it should be disclosed in order for appropriate action to be taken, or
- (h) in a case where—
 - (i) the information reveals that a person is likely to constitute a threat to the health or safety of individuals, and
 - (ii) the person to whom it is disclosed is a person to whom the Commission considers that the information should be disclosed in the interests of the health and safety of individuals.
- (7) For the purposes of subsection (2), information obtained by the Commission is to be regarded as identifying an individual if the individual can be identified—
- (a) from that information, or
 - (b) from that information and from other information obtained by the Commission.
- (8) For the purposes of subsection (4)(a), information disclosed by a person is not to be regarded as being in a form in which an individual is not identified if the individual can be identified—
- (a) from that information, or
 - (b) from that information and from other information disclosed—
 - (i) by the Commission, or
 - (ii) by any member or employee of the Commission.
- (9) Any reference in subsection (1), (2), (7) or (8)(b)(i) to the Commission includes a reference to any person authorised by the Commission under section 23.
- (10) In this section—
- “health professional” has meaning given by section 69(1) of the ^{M16}Data Protection Act 1998,
 - “serious arrestable offence”—
 - (a) in relation to England and Wales, is to be construed in accordance with section 116 of ^{M17}the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984,
 - (b) in relation to Scotland, means an offence which is triable on indictment,
 - (c) in relation to Northern Ireland, is to be construed in accordance with Article 87 of the ^{M18}Police and Criminal Evidence (Northern Ireland) Order 1989.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C6 S. 24: disclosure powers extended (14.12.2001) by 2001 c. 24, s. 17, Sch. 4 Pt. 1 para. 45

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M15 1993 c.46.

M16 1998 c.29.

M17 1984 c.60.

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M18 S.I. 1989/1341 (N.I.12).

25 Abolition of Clinical Standards Advisory Group.

The Clinical Standards Advisory Group is to cease to exist.

Partnership

26 Co-operation between NHS bodies.

It is the duty of [^{F23}Strategic Health Authorities,] Health Authorities, Special Health Authorities, Primary Care Trusts and NHS trusts to co-operate with each other in exercising their functions.

Textual Amendments

F23 Words in s. 26 inserted (1.10.2002) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\)](#), s. 1(3), [Sch. 1 para. 51](#); S.I. 2002/2478, [art. 3\(1\)\(c\)](#) (subject to [arts. 2\(2\)](#), [3\(3\)](#)) and with transitional provisions in [art. 4](#))

Commencement Information

I20 S. 26 partly in force; s. 26 not in force at Royal Assent see [s. 67\(1\)](#); s. 26 in force (E.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, [art. 2\(3\)\(b\)](#); s. 26 in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.2000 by S.I. 2000/2991, [art. 2\(1\)](#), [Sch. 1](#)

27 Co-operation between NHS bodies and local authorities.

- (1) Section 22 of the 1977 Act (co-operation between health authorities and local authorities) is amended as follows.(2) For subsection (1) (co-operation between Health Authorities and Special Health Authorities on the one hand and local authorities on the other) there is substituted—

“(1) In exercising their respective functions NHS bodies (on the one hand) and local authorities (on the other) shall co-operate with one another in order to secure and advance the health and welfare of the people of England and Wales.

(1A) In this section “NHS body” means—

- (a) a Health Authority;
- (b) a Special Health Authority;
- (c) a Primary Care Trust; or
- (d) an NHS trust.”

Commencement Information

I21 S. 27 partly in force; s. 27 not in force at Royal Assent see [s. 67\(1\)](#); s. 27 in force (E.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, [art. 2\(3\)\(b\)](#); s. 27 in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.2000 by S.I. 2000/2991, [art. 2\(1\)](#), [Sch. 1](#)

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^{x2}28 Plans for improving health etc.

- (1) It is the duty of each Health Authority [^{F24}, each Local Health Board][^{F25} and each Primary Care Trust], at such times as the Secretary of State may direct, to prepare a plan which sets out a strategy for improving—
 - (a) the health of the people for whom they are responsible, and
 - (b) the provision of health care to such people.
- (2) It is the duty of each Health Authority [^{F26}, each Local Health Board][^{F25} and each Primary Care Trust] to keep under review any plan prepared by them under this section.
- (3) It is the duty of the bodies specified in subsection (4) to participate in the preparation or review by a Health Authority [^{F27}, Local Health Board][^{F28} or Primary Care Trust] of any plan under this section.
- [^{F29}(4) Those bodies are—
 - (a) any local authority whose area falls wholly or partly within the area of the Health Authority [^{F30}, Local Health Board] or Primary Care Trust, and
 - (b) if the plan is a Health Authority's, [^{F31} or a Local Health Board's] any NHS trust which provides services at or from a hospital or other establishment or facility which falls within the area of the Health Authority [^{F32} or Local Health Board].]
- (5) In preparing or reviewing any plan under this section, a Health Authority [^{F33}, Local Health Board][^{F34} or Primary Care Trust]—
 - (a) must consult, or seek the participation of, such persons as the Secretary of State may direct, and
 - (b) may consult, or seek the participation of, such other persons as they consider appropriate.
- (6) The Secretary of State may give directions—
 - (a) as to the periods to be covered by plans under this section,
 - (b) as to the action to be taken by [^{F35}Strategic Health Authorities,] Health Authorities, [^{F36}Local Health Boards,] Primary Care Trusts, NHS trusts and local authorities in connection with the preparation or review of plans under this section,
 - (c) as to the matters to be taken into account in connection with the preparation or review of plans under this section,
 - (d) as to the matters to be dealt with by plans under this section,
 - (e) as to the form and content of plans under this section,
 - (f) as to the publication of plans prepared or reviewed under this section,
 - (g) as to the sharing of information between [^{F35}Strategic Health Authorities,] Health Authorities, [^{F37}Local Health Boards,] Primary Care Trusts, NHS trusts and local authorities in connection with the preparation or review of plans under this section,
 - (h) as to the provision by [^{F38}Strategic Health Authorities,] Health Authorities [^{F39}Local Health Boards,][^{F40} and Primary Care Trusts] of reports or other information to the Secretary of State in connection with plans under this section.
- [^{F41}(7) In exercising their respective functions—

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- (a) Health Authorities [^{F42}Local Health Boards] and Primary Care Trusts must have regard to any plan prepared or reviewed by them under this section,
 - (b) Strategic Health Authorities must have regard to any plan prepared or reviewed by a Primary Care Trust any part of whose area falls within their area, and
 - (c) NHS trusts and local authorities must have regard to any plan under this section in relation to which they have participated, and Primary Care Trusts must also do so in relation to plans in which they have participated by virtue of subsection (5).]
- (8) For the purposes of this section, the persons for whom a Health Authority [^{F43}, Local Health Board][^{F44}or Primary Care Trust] are responsible are—
- (a) the people in the [^{F45}area of the Authority [^{F46}, Board] or Trust] , and
 - (b) such of the people outside the [^{F45}area of the Authority [^{F47}, Board] or Trust] as may be specified in directions given by the Secretary of State.
- (9) It is the duty of [^{F48}Strategic Health Authorities,] Health Authorities, [^{F49}Local Health Boards,] Primary Care Trusts, NHS trusts and local authorities to comply with any directions under this section which relate to them.
- (10) In this section—
- “health care” has the meaning given by section 18(4),
 - “local authority” means a county council, a county borough council, a district council, a London borough council or the Common Council of the City of London.

Editorial Information

- X2** Editorial Note: The definition of health care in s. 28(10) was substituted by [The National Health Service \(Pre-consolidation Amendments\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/1407\)](#), arts. 1(1), 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 5**, the amendment coming into force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 277(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5)) of that Act). The amendment was superseded by the repeal of s. 28 on 1.3.2007 by the National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 c. 43, ss. 6, 8(1), **Sch. 4**

Textual Amendments

- F24** Words in s. 28(1) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being [Strategies \(Wales\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/154\)](#), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 6**
- F25** Words in s. 28(1)(2) inserted (1.10.2002) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\)](#), s. 2(5), **Sch. 2 para. 69(2)**; S.I. 2002/2478, {art. 3(1)(d)} (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)
- F26** Words in s. 28(2) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being [Strategies \(Wales\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/154\)](#), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 7**
- F27** Words in s. 28(3) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being [Strategies \(Wales\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/154\)](#), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 8**
- F28** Words in s. 28(3) inserted (1.10.2002) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\)](#), s. 2(5), **Sch. 2 para. 69(3)**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(d)** (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)
- F29** S. 28(4) substituted (1.10.2002) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\)](#), s. 2(5), **Sch. 2 para. 69(4)**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(d)** (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)

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- F30** Words in s. 28(4)(a) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategies (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/154), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 9**
- F31** Words in s. 28(4)(b) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategies (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/154), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 10**
- F32** Words in s. 28(4)(b) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategies (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/154), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 10**
- F33** Words in s. 28(5) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategies (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/154), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 11**
- F34** Words in s. 28(5) inserted (1.10.2002) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 2(5), **Sch. 2 para. 69(5)**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(d)** (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)
- F35** Words in s. 28(6)(b)(g) inserted (1.10.2002) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 1(3), **Sch. 1 para. 52(a)(i)**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(c)** (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)
- F36** Words in s. 28(6)(b) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategies (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/154), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 12**
- F37** Words in s. 28(6)(g) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategies (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/154), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 13**
- F38** Words in s. 28(6)(h) inserted (1.10.2002) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 1(3), **Sch. 1 para. 52(a)(ii)**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(c)** (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)
- F39** Words in s. 28(6)(h) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategies (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/154), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 14**
- F40** Words in s. 28(6)(h) inserted (1.10.2002) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 2(5), **Sch. 2 para. 69(6)**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(d)** (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)
- F41** S. 28(7) substituted (1.10.2002) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 2(5), **Sch. 2 para. 69(7)**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(d)** (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)
- F42** Words in s. 28(7)(a) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategies (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/154), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 15**
- F43** Words in s. 28(8) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategies (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/154), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 16**
- F44** Words in s. 28(8) inserted (1.10.2002) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 2(5), **Sch. 2 para. 69(8)(a)**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(d)** (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)
- F45** Words in s. 28(8)(a)(b) substituted (1.10.2002) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 2(5), **Sch. 2 para. 69(8)(b)**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(d)** (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)
- F46** Words in s. 28(8)(a) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategies (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/154), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 17**
- F47** Words in s. 28(8)(b) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategies (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/154), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 18**
- F48** Words in s. 28(9) inserted (1.10.2002) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), s. 1(3), **Sch. 1 para. 52(b)**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(c)** (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)
- F49** Words in s. 28(9) inserted (W.) (31.3.2003) by The Health, Social Care and Well-being Strategies (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/154), regs. 1(2), 7, **Sch. para. 19**

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I22 S. 28 partly in force; s.28 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); s. 28 in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184 (W.42), art. 2(1), Sch. 1; s. 28 in force (E.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(3)(b)

29 Payments by NHS bodies to local authorities.

- (1) Section 28A of the 1977 Act (power to make payments towards expenditure on community services) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (1) (authorities to which section applies)—
- (a) for “authorities” there is substituted “ bodies ”,
 - (b) for paragraph (b) (which specifies a Special Health Authority established for a London Post-Graduate Teaching Hospital) there is substituted—
“ (b) a Primary Care Trust”.
- (3) After subsection (2) there is inserted—
- “(2A) A body to which this section applies may, if they think fit, make payments to a local authority towards expenditure incurred or to be incurred by the authority in connection with the performance of any of the authority’s functions which, in the opinion of the body,—
- (a) have an effect on the health of any individuals,
 - (b) have an effect on, or are affected by, any NHS functions, or
 - (c) are connected with any NHS functions.
- (2B) In this section “NHS functions” means functions exercised by a Health Authority, Special Health Authority, Primary Care Trust or NHS trust.”

Commencement Information

I23 S. 29 wholly in force at repeal; s. 29 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 29(1) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; S. 29(2)(a)(3) in force (E.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; s. 29 in force insofar as not already in force (E.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(3)(b); s. 29(2) wholly in force (W.) and s. 29(1)(3) in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.2000 by S.I. 2000/2991, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; s. 29 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the coming into force of the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (as to which see s. 227 of that 2006 Act) by virtue of The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(a)

30 Payments by local authorities to NHS bodies.

After section 28B of the 1977 Act there is inserted—

“28BB Power of local authorities to make payments to NHS bodies.

- (1) A local authority may, if they think fit, make payments to a relevant NHS body towards expenditure incurred or to be incurred by the body in connection with the performance by the body of prescribed functions of the NHS body.
- (2) In this section—

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“prescribed” means prescribed to any extent by regulations made by the Secretary of State;

“relevant NHS body” means a Health Authority or a Primary Care Trust.

- (3) A payment under this section may be made in respect of expenditure of a capital or of a revenue nature or in respect of both kinds of expenditure.
- (4) The Secretary of State may by directions prescribe conditions relating to payments under this section.
- (5) The power to give such directions may be exercised so as to make, as respects the cases in relation to which it is exercised, the same provision for all cases, or different provision for different cases or different classes of case, or different provision as respects the same case or class of case for different purposes.
- (6) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (4) above, the power may be exercised—
 - (a) so as to make different provision for England and Wales and different provision for different areas in either; and
 - (b) so as to require, in such circumstances as may be specified—
 - (i) repayment of the whole or any part of a payment under this section; or
 - (ii) payment, in respect of property acquired with money paid under this section, of an amount representing the whole or part of an increase in the value of the property which has occurred since its acquisition.
- (7) No payment shall be made under this section in respect of any expenditure unless the conditions relating to it conform with the conditions prescribed for payments of that description under subsection (4) above.”

Commencement Information

I24 S. 30 wholly in force at repeal; s. 30 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 30 in force (E.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(3)(b); s. 30 in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.2000 by S.I. 2000/2991, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; s. 30 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the coming into force of the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (as to which see s. 227 of that 2006 Act) by virtue of The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(a)

31 Arrangements between NHS bodies and local authorities.

- (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision for or in connection with enabling prescribed NHS bodies (on the one hand) and prescribed local authorities (on the other) to enter into prescribed arrangements in relation to the exercise of—
 - (a) prescribed functions of the NHS bodies, and
 - (b) prescribed health-related functions of the local authorities,
 if the arrangements are likely to lead to an improvement in the way in which those functions are exercised.
- (2) The arrangements which may be prescribed include arrangements—

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- (a) for or in connection with the establishment and maintenance of a fund—
 - (i) which is made up of contributions by one or more NHS bodies and one or more local authorities, and
 - (ii) out of which payments may be made towards expenditure incurred in the exercise of both prescribed functions of the NHS body or bodies and prescribed health-related functions of the authority or authorities,
 - (b) for or in connection with the exercise by an NHS body on behalf of a local authority of prescribed health-related functions of the authority in conjunction with the exercise by the NHS body of prescribed functions of theirs,
 - (c) for or in connection with the exercise by a local authority on behalf of an NHS body of prescribed functions of the NHS body in conjunction with the exercise by the authority of prescribed health-related functions of theirs,
 - (d) as to the provision of staff, goods, services or accommodation in connection with any arrangements mentioned in paragraph (a), (b) or (c),
 - (e) as to the making of payments by a local authority to an NHS body in connection with any arrangements mentioned in paragraph (b),
 - (f) as to the making of payments by an NHS body to a local authority in connection with any arrangements mentioned in paragraph (c).
- (3) Regulations under this section may make provision—
- (a) as to the cases in which NHS bodies and local authorities may enter into prescribed arrangements,
 - (b) as to the conditions which must be satisfied in relation to prescribed arrangements (including conditions in relation to consultation),
 - (c) for or in connection with requiring the consent of the Secretary of State to the operation of prescribed arrangements (including provision in relation to applications for consent, the approval or refusal of such applications and the variation or withdrawal of approval),
 - (d) in relation to the duration of prescribed arrangements,
 - (e) for or in connection with the variation or termination of prescribed arrangements,
 - (f) as to the responsibility for, and the operation and management of, prescribed arrangements,
 - (g) as to the sharing of information between NHS bodies and local authorities.
- (4) The provision which may be made by virtue of subsection (3)(f) includes provision in relation to—
- (a) the formation and operation of joint committees of NHS bodies and local authorities,
 - (b) the exercise of functions which are the subject of prescribed arrangements (including provision in relation to the exercise of such functions by joint committees or employees of NHS bodies and local authorities),
 - (c) the drawing up and implementation of plans in respect of prescribed arrangements,
 - (d) the monitoring of prescribed arrangements,
 - (e) the provision of reports on, and information about, prescribed arrangements,
 - (f) complaints and disputes about prescribed arrangements,
 - (g) accounts and audit in respect of prescribed arrangements.
- (5) Any arrangements made by virtue of this section shall not affect—

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- (a) the liability of NHS bodies for the exercise of any of their functions,
 - (b) the liability of local authorities for the exercise of any of their functions, or
 - (c) any power or duty to recover charges in respect of services provided in the exercise of any local authority functions.
- (6) The Secretary of State may issue guidance to NHS bodies and local authorities in relation to consultation or applications for consent in respect of prescribed arrangements.
- (7) The reference in subsection (1) to an improvement in the way in which functions are exercised includes an improvement in the provision to any individuals of any services to which those functions relate.
- (8) In this section—
- “health-related functions”, in relation to a local authority, means functions of the authority which, in the opinion of the Secretary of State—
 - (i) have an effect on the health of any individuals,
 - (ii) have an effect on, or are affected by, any functions of NHS bodies, or
 - (iii) are connected with any functions of NHS bodies,
 - “local authority” means a district council, county council, county borough council, London borough council or the Common Council of the City of London,
 - “NHS body” means a [^{F50}Strategic Health Authority,] Health Authority, Primary Care Trust [^{F51}, Local Health Board] or NHS trust,
 - “prescribed” means prescribed to any extent by regulations made by the Secretary of State.
- [^{F52}(9) Schedule 2A makes provision with respect to the transfer of staff in connection with arrangements made by virtue of this section.]

Textual Amendments

- F50** Words in s. 31(8) in the definition of "NHS body" inserted (1.10.2002) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\), s. 1\(3\), Sch. 1 para. 53](#); S.I. 2002/2478, [art. 3\(1\)\(c\)](#) (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4)
- F51** Words in s. 31(8) in the definition of "NHS body" inserted (10.10.2002 for W., otherwise 1.3.2007) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\), ss. 6\(2\), 42\(3\), Sch. 5 para. 45](#); S.I. 2002/2532, [art. 2, Sch.](#) so far as not already in force, in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act) by [The National Health Service \(Pre-consolidation Amendments\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/1407\), arts. 1\(1\), 2, {Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. \(c\)}](#)
- F52** S. 31(9) inserted (1.8.2001 for E. and 1.11.2004 for W.) by [2001 c. 15, ss. 48\(2\), 70\(2\)](#) (with ss. 64(a), 65(4)); S.I. 2001/2804, [art. 2\(1\)\(a\)](#); S.I. 2004/1754, [art. 2\(2\)\(a\)](#)

Commencement Information

- I25** S. 31 wholly in force at repeal; s. 31 not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 67\(1\)](#); s. 31 in force (E.) at 1.4.2000 by [S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2\(3\)\(b\)](#); s. 31 in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.2000 by [S.I. 2000/2991, art. 2\(1\), Sch. 1](#); s. 30 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the coming into force of the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (as to which see [s. 227](#) of that 2006 Act) by virtue of [The National Health Service \(Pre-consolidation Amendments\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/1407\), arts. 1\(1\), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6\(a\)](#)

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32 Joint consultative committees.

In section 22 of the 1977 Act (co-operation between health authorities and local authorities), subsections (2) to (6) (which make provision in relation to joint consultative committees) are omitted.

Commencement Information

I26 S. 32 wholly in force at 1.1.2001; s. 32 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 32 in force (E.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(3)(b); s. 32 in force (W.) at 1.1.2001 by S.I. 2000/2991, art. 2(2), Sch. 2

Control of prices of medicines and profits

33 Powers relating to voluntary schemes.

- (1) The powers conferred by this section may be exercised where there is in existence a scheme (referred to in this section and sections 34 and 35 as a voluntary scheme) made by the Secretary of State and the industry body for the purpose of—
 - (a) limiting the prices which may be charged by any manufacturer or supplier to whom the scheme relates for the supply of any health service medicines, or
 - (b) limiting the profits which may accrue to any manufacturer or supplier to whom the scheme relates in connection with the manufacture or supply of any health service medicines.
- (2) For the purposes of this section and sections 34 and 35, a voluntary scheme is to be treated as applying to a manufacturer or supplier to whom it relates if—
 - (a) he has consented to the scheme being so treated (and has not withdrawn that consent), and
 - (b) no notice is in force in his case under subsection (4).
- (3) For the purposes of this section a voluntary scheme has effect, in relation to a manufacturer or supplier to whom it applies, with any additions or modifications made by him and the Secretary of State.
- (4) If any acts or omissions of any manufacturer or supplier to whom a voluntary scheme applies (a “scheme member”) have shown that, in the scheme member’s case, the scheme is ineffective for either of the purposes mentioned in subsection (1), the Secretary of State may by a written notice given to the scheme member determine that the scheme is not to apply to him.
- (5) A notice under subsection (4) must give the Secretary of State’s reasons for giving the notice; and the Secretary of State may not give a notice under that subsection until he has given the scheme member an opportunity to make representations about the acts or omissions in question.
- (6) Consent under subsection (2)(a) must be given, or withdrawn, in the manner required by the Secretary of State.
- (7) The Secretary of State may after consultation with the industry body require any manufacturer or supplier to whom a voluntary scheme applies to—
 - (a) record and keep any information, and
 - (b) provide any information to the Secretary of State,

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which the Secretary of State may require for the purpose of enabling the scheme to operate or facilitating its operation or for the purpose of giving full effect to any provision made under subsection (8).

- (8) The Secretary of State may—
- (a) prohibit any manufacturer or supplier to whom a voluntary scheme applies from increasing any price charged by him for the supply of any health service medicine covered by the scheme without the approval of the Secretary of State, and
 - (b) provide for any amount representing any increase in contravention of that prohibition in the sums charged by that person for that medicine, so far as the increase is attributable to supplies to the health service, to be paid to the Secretary of State within a specified period.

Commencement Information

I27 S. 33 partly in force; s. 33 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 33(1)-(6) in force for certain purposes at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2177, art. 2(3)(a); s. 33(7) in force for certain purposes at 3.4.2007 by S.I. 2007/1179, art. 2(a)

34 Power to control prices.

- (1) The Secretary of State may, after consultation with the industry body—
- (a) limit any price which may be charged by any manufacturer or supplier for the supply of any health service medicine, and
 - (b) provide for any amount representing sums charged by that person for that medicine in excess of the limit to be paid to the Secretary of State within a specified period.
- (2) The powers conferred by this section are not exercisable at any time in relation to a manufacturer or supplier to whom at that time a voluntary scheme applies.

Commencement Information

I28 S. 34 wholly in force at 1.11.1999; s. 34 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 34 in force for certain purposes at 3.8.1999 by S.I. 1999/2177, art. 2(2)(a); s. 34 in force at 1.11.1999 insofar as not already in force by S.I. 1999/2177, art. 2(4)(a)

35 Statutory schemes.

- (1) The Secretary of State may, after consultation with the industry body, make a scheme (referred to in this section and section 36 as a statutory scheme) for the purpose of—
- (a) limiting the prices which may be charged by any manufacturer or supplier for the supply of any health service medicines, or
 - (b) limiting the profits which may accrue to any manufacturer or supplier in connection with the manufacture or supply of any health service medicines.
- (2) A statutory scheme may, in particular, make any provision mentioned in subsections (3) to (6).
- (3) The scheme may require any manufacturer or supplier to whom it applies to—

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- (a) record and keep information, and
 - (b) provide information to the Secretary of State.
- (4) The scheme may provide for any amount representing sums charged by any manufacturer or supplier to whom the scheme applies, in excess of the limits determined under the scheme, for health service medicines covered by the scheme to be paid by that person to the Secretary of State within a specified period.
- (5) The scheme may provide for any amount representing the profits, in excess of the limits determined under the scheme, accruing to any manufacturer or supplier to whom the scheme applies in connection with the manufacture or supply of health service medicines covered by the scheme to be paid by that person to the Secretary of State within a specified period.
- (6) The scheme may—
- (a) prohibit any manufacturer or supplier to whom the scheme applies from increasing, without the approval of the Secretary of State, any price charged by him for the supply of any health service medicine covered by the scheme, and
 - (b) provide for any amount representing any increase in contravention of that prohibition in the sums charged by that person for that medicine, so far as the increase is attributable to supplies to the health service, to be paid to the Secretary of State within a specified period.
- (7) A statutory scheme may not apply to a manufacturer or supplier to whom a voluntary scheme applies.

36 Statutory schemes: supplementary.

- (1) The Secretary of State may, after consultation with the industry body, make any provision he considers necessary or expedient for the purpose of enabling or facilitating—
- (a) the introduction of a statutory scheme or of a limit under section 34, or
 - (b) the determination of the provision to be made in a proposed statutory scheme.
- (2) The provision may, in particular, require any person to whom such a scheme or limit may apply to—
- (a) record and keep information,
 - (b) provide information to the Secretary of State.
- (3) Where the Secretary of State is preparing to make or vary a statutory scheme, he may make any provision he considers necessary or expedient for transitional or transitory purposes which could be made by such a scheme.

Commencement Information

I29 S. 36 wholly in force at repeal; s. 36 not in force at Royal Assent; s. 36 in force for certain purposes at 3.8.1999 by S.I. 1999/2177, art. 2(2)(b); s. 36 otherwise in force at 3.4.2007 by S.I. 2007/1179, art. 2(b)

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37 Enforcement.

- (1) Regulations may provide for a person who contravenes any provision of regulations or directions under sections 33 to 36 to be liable to pay a penalty to the Secretary of State.
- (2) The penalty may be—
 - (a) a single penalty not exceeding £100,000, or
 - (b) a daily penalty not exceeding £10,000 for every day on which the contravention occurs or continues.
- (3) Regulations may provide for any amount required to be paid to the Secretary of State by virtue of section 33(8)(b), 34(1)(b) or 35(4) or (6)(b) to be increased by an amount not exceeding 50 per cent.
- (4) Regulations may provide for any amount payable to the Secretary of State by virtue of provision made under section 33(8)(b), 34(1)(b) or 35(4), (5) or (6)(b) (including such an amount as increased under subsection (3)) to carry interest at a rate specified or referred to in the regulations.
- (5) Provision may be made by regulations for conferring on manufacturers and suppliers a right of appeal against enforcement decisions taken in respect of them in pursuance of sections 33 to 36 and this section.
- (6) The provision which may be made by virtue of subsection (5) includes any provision which may be made by model provisions with respect to appeals under section 6 of the ^{M19}Deregulation and Contracting Out Act 1994, reading—
 - (a) the references in subsections (4) and (5) of that section to enforcement action as references to action taken to implement an enforcement decision,
 - (b) in subsection (5) of that section, the references to interested persons as references to any persons and the reference to any decision to take enforcement action as a reference to any enforcement decision.
- (7) In subsections (5) and (6), “enforcement decision” means a decision of the Secretary of State or any other person to—
 - (a) require a specific manufacturer or supplier to provide information to him,
 - (b) limit, in respect of any specific manufacturer or supplier, any price or profit,
 - (c) refuse to give his approval to a price increase made by a specific manufacturer or supplier,
 - (d) require a specific manufacturer or supplier to pay any amount (including an amount by way of penalty) to him,and in this subsection “specific” means specified in the decision.
- (8) A requirement or prohibition, or a limit, under sections 33 to 36 may only be enforced under this section and may not be relied on in any proceedings other than proceedings under this section.
- (9) In this section “regulations” means regulations made by the Secretary of State, and the Secretary of State must consult the industry body before making any regulations under this section.
- (10) The Secretary of State may by order increase (or further increase) either of the sums mentioned in subsection (2).

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I30 S. 37 partly in force; s. 37 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 37 in force for certain purposes at 3.8.1999 by S.I. 1999/2177, art. 2(2)(c); s. 37(1)-(9) in force at 1.11.1999 insofar as not already in force by S.I. 1999/2177, art. 2(4)(a)

Marginal Citations

M19 1994 c.40.

38 Controls: supplementary.

- (1) Any power conferred on the Secretary of State by sections 33(6) to (8) and 34 to 36 may be exercised by—
 - (a) making regulations, or
 - (b) giving directions to a specific manufacturer or supplier,
 and the regulations may themselves confer power for the Secretary of State to give directions to a specific manufacturer or supplier; and in this subsection “specific” means specified in the direction concerned.
- (2) Any power to make regulations under any of those provisions or section 37 may be exercised generally in relation to manufacturers or suppliers of health service medicines or be exercised in relation to any class of manufacturers or suppliers.
- (3) The powers to refuse approval under section 33(8)(a) or 35(6)(a) or to impose a limit under section 34(1)(a) or 35(1) are exercisable only with a view to limiting by reference to the prices or profits which would be reasonable in all the circumstances—
 - (a) the prices which may be charged for, or
 - (b) the profits which may accrue to any manufacturer or supplier in connection with,
 the manufacture or supply for the purposes of the health service of health service medicines.
- (4) In so exercising those powers (in the case of sections 34(1)(a) and 35(1) and (6)(a)) the Secretary of State and any other person must bear in mind, in particular, the need for medicinal products to be available for the health service on reasonable terms and the costs of research and development.
- (5) Section 57 of, and Schedule 11 to, the 1977 Act and section 49 of, and Schedule 10 to, the 1978 Act (maximum prices of medical supplies) are to cease to have effect in relation to health service medicines; but the powers conferred by sections 33 to 36 do not affect any other powers of the Secretary of State to control prices or profits.
- (6) This subsection and subsections (7) and (8) apply for the interpretation of sections 33 to 37 and this section—

“health service” means any of the health services within the meaning of the 1977 Act, the 1978 Act or the ^{M20}Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972,

“health service medicine” means a medicinal product used to any extent for the purposes of the health service,

“the industry body” means any body which appears to the Secretary of State appropriate to represent manufacturers and suppliers,

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“manufacture” includes assemble and “manufacturer” means any person who manufactures health service medicines,

“medicinal product” has the meaning given by section 130 of the ^{M21}Medicines Act 1968,

“supplier” means any person who supplies health service medicines.

(7) References to contravention of a provision include failure to comply with it.

(8) References to supplying medicines include selling them.

Commencement Information

I31 S. 38 partly in force; s. 38 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 38(6) in force for certain purposes at 3.8.1999 by S.I. 1999/2177, art. 2(2)(d); s. 38 in force for certain purposes at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2177, art. 3(b); s. 38(5) in force at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2177, art. 2(4)(a); s. 38 in force for certain purposes at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2177, art. 2(4)(b); s. 38 in force for certain purposes at 3.4.2007 by S.I. 2007/1179, art. 2(c)

Marginal Citations

M20 S.I. 1972/1265 (N.I.14).

M21 1968 c.67.

Evasion of charges, fraud etc.

39 Evasion of charges etc.

(1) After section 122 of the 1977 Act there is inserted—

“122A Recovery of other charges and payments.

(1) Where goods or services to which this section applies are provided and either—

- (a) any charge payable by any person under this Act in respect of the provision of the goods or services is reduced, remitted or repaid, but that person is not entitled to the reduction, remission or repayment, or
- (b) any payment under this Act is made to, or for the benefit of, any person in respect of the cost of obtaining the goods or services, but that person is not entitled to, or to the benefit of, the payment,

the amount mentioned in subsection (2) below is recoverable summarily as a civil debt from the person in question by the responsible authority.

(2) That amount—

- (a) in a case within subsection (1)(a) above, is the amount of the charge or (where it has been reduced) reduction,
- (b) in a case within subsection (1)(b) above, is the amount of the payment.

(3) Where two or more persons are liable under section 122(1) above or this section to pay an amount in respect of the same charge or payment, those persons shall be jointly and severally liable.

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- (4) For the purposes of this section, the circumstances in which a person is to be treated as not entitled to a reduction, remission or repayment of a charge, or to (or to the benefit of) a payment, include in particular those in which it is received (wholly or partly)—
- (a) on the ground that he or another is a person of a particular description, where the person in question is not in fact of that description,
 - (b) on the ground that he or another holds a particular certificate, when the person in question does not in fact hold such a certificate or does hold such a certificate but is not entitled to it,
 - (c) on the ground that he or another has made a particular statement, when the person in question has not made such a statement or the statement made by him is false.
- (5) In this section and section 122B below, “responsible authority” means—
- (a) in relation to the recovery of any charge under section 122(1) above in respect of the provision of goods or services to which this section applies, the person by whom the charge is recoverable,
 - (b) in relation to the recovery by virtue of this section of the whole or part of the amount of any such charge, the person by whom the charge would have been recoverable,
 - (c) in a case within subsection (1)(b) above, the person who made the payment.
- (6) But the Secretary of State may by directions provide for—
- (a) the functions of any responsible authority of recovering any charges under this Act in respect of the provision of goods or services to which this section applies,
 - (b) the functions of any responsible authority under this section and section 122B below,
- to be exercised on behalf of the authority by another health service body.
- (7) This section applies to the following goods and services—
- (a) dental treatment and appliances provided in pursuance of this Act,
 - (b) drugs and medicines provided in pursuance of this Act,
 - (c) the testing of sight,
 - (d) optical appliances,
 - (e) any other appliances provided in pursuance of this Act.

122B Penalties.

- (1) Regulations may provide that, where a person fails to pay—
- (a) any amount recoverable from him under section 122(1) above in respect of the provision of goods or services to which section 122A above applies, or
 - (b) any amount recoverable from him under section 122A above,
- a notice (referred to in this section as a penalty notice) may be served on the person by the responsible authority requiring him to pay to the authority, within a prescribed period, that amount together with a charge (referred to in this section as a penalty charge) of an amount determined in accordance with the regulations.

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- (2) The regulations may not provide for the amount of the penalty charge to exceed whichever is the smaller of—
 - (a) £100,
 - (b) the amount referred to in subsection (1)(a) or (b) above multiplied by 5.
- (3) The Secretary of State may by order provide for subsection (2) above to have effect as if, for the sum specified in paragraph (a) or the multiplier specified in paragraph (b) (including that sum or multiplier as substituted by a previous order), there were substituted a sum or (as the case may be) multiplier specified in the order.
- (4) Regulations may provide that, if a person fails to pay the amount he is required to pay under a penalty notice within the period in question, he must also pay to the responsible authority by way of penalty a further sum determined in accordance with the regulations.
- (5) The further sum must not exceed 50 per cent. of the amount of the penalty charge.
- (6) Any sum payable under the regulations (including the amount referred to in subsection (1)(a) or (b) above) may be recovered by the responsible authority summarily as a civil debt.
- (7) But a person is not liable by virtue of a penalty notice—
 - (a) to pay at any time so much of any amount referred to in subsection (1) (a) or (b) above for which he is jointly and severally liable with another as at that time has been paid, or ordered by a court to be paid, by that other, or
 - (b) to a penalty charge, or a further sum by way of penalty, if he shows that he did not act wrongfully, or with any lack of care, in respect of the charge or payment in question.
- (8) In spite of section 126(1) below, no order is to be made under subsection (3) above unless a draft has been laid before, and approved by resolution of, each House of Parliament.

122C Offences.

- (1) A person is guilty of an offence if he does any act mentioned in subsection (2) below with a view to securing for himself or another—
 - (a) the evasion of the whole or part of any charge under this Act in respect of the provision of goods or services to which section 122A above applies,
 - (b) the reduction, remission or repayment of any such charge, where he or (as the case may be) the other is not entitled to the reduction, remission or repayment,
 - (c) a payment under this Act (whether to, or for the benefit of, himself or the other) in respect of the cost of obtaining such goods or services, where he or (as the case may be) the other is not entitled to, or to the benefit of, the payment.
- (2) The acts referred to in subsection (1) above are—

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- (a) knowingly making, or causing or knowingly allowing another to make, a false statement or representation, or
 - (b) in the case of any document or information which he knows to be false in a material particular, producing or providing it or causing or knowingly allowing another to produce or provide it.
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.
- (4) A person, although he is not a barrister or solicitor, may conduct any proceedings under this section before a magistrates' court if he is authorised to do so by the Secretary of State.
- (5) Proceedings for an offence under this section may be begun within either of the following periods—
- (a) the period of three months beginning with the date on which evidence, sufficient in the opinion of the Secretary of State to justify a prosecution for the offence, comes to his knowledge,
 - (b) the period of 12 months beginning with the commission of the offence.
- (6) For the purposes of subsection (5) above, a certificate purporting to be signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of State as to the date on which such evidence as is mentioned in paragraph (a) of that subsection came to his knowledge is conclusive evidence of that date.
- (7) Where, in respect of any charge or payment under this Act—
- (a) a person is convicted of an offence under this section, or
 - (b) a person pays any penalty charge, and any further sum by way of penalty, recoverable from him under section 122B above,
- he shall not, in a case within paragraph (a) above, be liable to pay any such penalty charge or further sum by way of penalty or, in a case within paragraph (b) above, be convicted of such an offence.
- (8) Subsection (4) of section 122A above applies for the purposes of this section as it applies for the purposes of that.”
- (2) Any power conferred by section 37 of ^{M22}the 1977 Act or section 17 of the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 to confer functions on the Dental Practice Board includes, in particular, power to confer functions relating to the prosecution of offences concerning charges for the provision of dental treatment and appliances.
- (3) Sections 122A to 122C of the 1977 Act apply to charges which may be made and recovered under section 20 of the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 as they apply to charges under the 1977 Act which may be recovered under section 122(1) of that Act; and the reference in section 122A(7)(a) to the 1977 Act includes a reference to a pilot scheme (within the meaning of the 1997 Act).

Commencement Information

I32 S. 39 wholly in force; s. 39 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 39 in force (E.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; s. 39 in force insofar as not already in force at 9.2.2001 by S.I. 2001/270, art. 2(a)

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Marginal Citations

M22 1997 c.46.

40 Disqualification etc. of Part II practitioners.

(1) For section 46 of the 1977 Act (disqualification of practitioners) there is substituted—

“46 The NHS tribunal.

- (1) The tribunal constituted in accordance with Schedule 9 to this Act shall continue under the name of “the NHS Tribunal”; and that Schedule shall continue to have effect in relation to the Tribunal.
- (2) If the Tribunal receive from a Health Authority representations that—
 - (a) a person who is included in any list meets either of the conditions for disqualification, or
 - (b) a person who has applied to be included in any list meets the second condition for disqualification,the Tribunal shall inquire into the case.
- (3) If the Tribunal receive such representations from any other person, they may inquire into the case.
- (4) Representations under this section shall be made—
 - (a) in the prescribed manner, and
 - (b) where the representations are that the second condition for disqualification is met and regulations prescribe the time within which such representations are to be made, within that time.
- (5) Subsections (6) to (11) below apply for the purposes of this group of sections.
- (6) The first condition for disqualification is that the continued inclusion of the person concerned in the list would be prejudicial to the efficiency of the services which those included in the list undertake to provide.
- (7) The second condition for disqualification is that the person concerned—
 - (a) has (whether on his own or together with another) by an act or omission caused, or risked causing, detriment to any health scheme by securing or trying to secure for himself or another any financial or other benefit, and
 - (b) knew that he or (as the case may be) the other was not entitled to the benefit.
- (8) A “list” means—
 - (a) a list of medical practitioners undertaking to provide general medical services,
 - (b) a list of medical practitioners undertaking to provide general ophthalmic services,
 - (c) a list of dental practitioners undertaking to provide general dental services,
 - (d) a list of ophthalmic opticians undertaking to provide general ophthalmic services, or

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(e) a list of persons undertaking to provide pharmaceutical services, prepared (in each case) under this Part of this Act.

(9) “Health scheme” means—

(a) any of the health services under section 1(1) above or any corresponding enactment extending to Scotland or Northern Ireland, and

(b) any prescribed scheme;

and regulations may prescribe any scheme for the purposes of this subsection which appears to the Secretary of State to be a health or medical scheme paid for out of public funds.

(10) Detriment to a health scheme includes detriment to any patient of, or person working in, that scheme or any person liable to pay charges for services provided under that scheme.

(11) Cases in which representations are made that the first condition for disqualification is met are referred to below as efficiency cases; and cases in which representations are made that the second condition for disqualification is met are referred to below as fraud cases.

(12) In this section and sections 46A to 49E below—

(a) “this group of sections” means this and those sections and Schedule 9 to this Act, and

(b) the NHS Tribunal is referred to as the Tribunal.

46A The NHS Tribunal: supplementary.

(1) Where an ophthalmic optician is a body corporate, the body corporate is to be treated for the purposes of this group of sections as meeting the second condition for disqualification if any director meets that condition (whether or not he first met that condition when he was a director).

(2) Where a body corporate carries on a retail pharmacy business, the body corporate is to be treated for the purposes of this group of sections as meeting the second condition for disqualification if any one of the body of persons controlling the body corporate meets that condition (whether or not he first met that condition when he was one of them).

(3) A person who is included in any list (“the practitioner”) is to be treated for the purposes of this group of sections as meeting the second condition for disqualification if—

(a) another person, because of an act or omission of his occurring in the course of providing any services mentioned in section 46(8) above on the practitioner’s behalf, meets that condition, and

(b) the practitioner failed to take all such steps as were reasonable to prevent acts or omissions within section 46(7)(a) above occurring in the course of the provision of those services on his behalf.

(4) The Tribunal is not required to inquire into a fraud case if they have previously inquired into representations in respect of the person concerned and the same acts or omissions.

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- (5) In a fraud case, regulations may make provision (including provision modifying the effect of this Part of this Act) for the purpose of securing that the person subject to the inquiry is not added to any list until proceedings in that case are finally concluded.
- (6) For the purposes of this group of sections, in a fraud or efficiency case proceedings are finally concluded—
 - (a) if the Tribunal determine not to disqualify, or conditionally disqualify, him, when they make that determination,
 - (b) if they determine to disqualify, or conditionally disqualify, him and no appeal is brought against the determination, at the end of the period for bringing an appeal,
 - (c) if they determine to disqualify, or conditionally disqualify, him and an appeal is brought against the determination, when the appeal process is exhausted.
- (7) An inquiry under section 46 above is not affected by the person subject to the inquiry withdrawing from, withdrawing any application to be included in or being removed from the list to which the case relates.

46B Powers of NHS Tribunal.

- (1) Subsection (2) below applies where the Tribunal are of the opinion—
 - (a) on inquiring into an efficiency case, that the person meets the first condition for disqualification,
 - (b) on inquiring into a fraud case, that the person meets the second condition for disqualification.
- (2) The Tribunal—
 - (a) shall make a local disqualification, that is disqualify him for inclusion in the list to which the case relates, and
 - (b) may also make a national disqualification, that is disqualify him for inclusion in all lists within the same paragraph of section 46(8) above as that list.
- (3) If the Tribunal make a national disqualification they may also declare that the person is not fit to be engaged in any capacity in the provision of the services to which the lists in question relate (referred to in this group of sections as a declaration of unfitness).
- (4) The Tribunal shall not make any disqualification or declaration under this section if they are of the opinion that it would be unjust to do so.
- (5) A disqualification under this section shall have effect when proceedings in the case are finally concluded.
- (6) If a person is disqualified for inclusion in any list prepared by a Health Authority, the Authority must not enter him in the list and (if he is already included in the list) must remove him from the list.

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46C Conditional disqualification etc.

- (1) The functions of making disqualifications under section 46B above include making a conditional disqualification, that is, a disqualification which is to come into effect only if the Tribunal determine (on a review under section 47 below) that the person subject to the inquiry has failed to comply with any conditions imposed by them.
 - (2) Conditions may be imposed by virtue of subsection (1) above with a view to—
 - (a) removing any prejudice to the efficiency of the services in question, or
 - (b) preventing any acts or omissions within section 46(7)(a) above, (as the case may be).
 - (3) Conditions so imposed shall have effect when proceedings in the case are finally concluded.
 - (4) Section 46B(4) above applies to a conditional disqualification as it applies to a disqualification.
 - (5) The Tribunal may by directions—
 - (a) vary the terms of service of the person subject to the inquiry (including terms imposed by regulations under this Part),
 - (b) confer functions on any Health Authority,
 for the purpose of or in connection with the imposition of any conditions by virtue of this section.
 - (6) References in any enactment to a disqualification by the Tribunal do not include a conditional disqualification.”
- (2) For section 47 of the 1977 Act (removal of disqualification) there is substituted—

“47 Review etc. of disqualification.

- (1) The Tribunal may review any disqualification, conditional disqualification or declaration of unfitness—
 - (a) if the disqualified or conditionally disqualified person requests a review, or
 - (b) in any other circumstances in which they consider it appropriate.
- (2) On a review under subsection (1) above, the Tribunal may—
 - (a) remove a disqualification or provide that a declaration of unfitness is to cease to have effect,
 - (b) make a disqualification conditional,
 - (c) in the case of a conditional disqualification, remove it, vary the conditions or make it unconditional,
 and, on a review of a fraud case, may make any further disqualification or conditional disqualification which they consider appropriate.
- (3) If any Health Authority request a review of a conditional disqualification on the ground that—
 - (a) there has been a change in the circumstances by reference to which the conditions were imposed,

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- (b) the person concerned has failed to comply with the conditions, or
 - (c) in a fraud case, the person concerned has since the Tribunal imposed the conditions (or made the disqualification conditional) again satisfied the second condition for disqualification,the Tribunal shall review the conditional disqualification.
- (4) In the case of a person who is providing services in Scotland or Northern Ireland, the reference in subsection (3) above to a Health Authority includes any corresponding authority under the provisions in force in Scotland or Northern Ireland corresponding to this Part of this Act.
- (5) On a review under subsection (3) above of a conditional disqualification, the Tribunal may remove it, vary the conditions or make it unconditional and, on a review of a fraud case, may make any further disqualification or conditional disqualification which they consider appropriate.
- (6) If, on a review under this section of a fraud case—
 - (a) there is a national disqualification which the Tribunal do not remove or make conditional,
 - (b) there is a national disqualification which is conditional and which the Tribunal make unconditional, or
 - (c) the Tribunal make a national disqualification,they may also make a declaration of unfitness.
- (7) The Tribunal shall not under this section—
 - (a) in the case of a conditional disqualification, make it unconditional or vary the conditions,
 - (b) make any further disqualification or conditional disqualification, or
 - (c) make a declaration of unfitness,if they are of the opinion that it would be unjust to do so.
- (8) A determination of the Tribunal under this section shall have effect—
 - (a) if no appeal is brought against it, at the end of the period for bringing an appeal,
 - (b) if an appeal is brought against it, when the appeal process is exhausted.
- (9) The Tribunal may hold an inquiry for the purposes of any review under this section.”

Miscellaneous

41 High security psychiatric services.

- (1) For section 4 of the 1977 Act (special hospitals) there is substituted—

“4 High security psychiatric services.

- (1) The duty imposed on the Secretary of State by section 1 above to provide services for the purposes of the health service includes a duty to provide hospital accommodation and services for persons who are liable to be detained under the ^{M23}Mental Health Act 1983 and in his opinion require treatment

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under conditions of high security on account of their dangerous, violent or criminal propensities.

- (2) The hospital accommodation and services mentioned in subsection (1) above are in this Act referred to as “high security psychiatric services”.
- (3) High security psychiatric services shall be provided only at hospital premises at which services are provided only for the persons mentioned in subsection (1) above; and for this purpose “hospital premises” means—
 - (a) a hospital; or
 - (b) any part of a hospital which is treated as a separate unit.”
- (2) In section 145(1) of the ^{M24}Mental Health Act 1983 (interpretation), in the definition of “the managers”, paragraph (b) is omitted.
- (3) At the end of paragraph 10 of Schedule 2 to the 1990 Act (powers of NHS trusts to enter into NHS contracts) there is inserted—
 - “(2) An NHS trust may not, as the provider, enter into an NHS contract for the provision of high security psychiatric services unless the NHS trust is approved for the purpose of this paragraph by the Secretary of State.
 - (3) Such approval—
 - (a) shall be for a period specified in the approval,
 - (b) may be given subject to conditions, and
 - (c) may be amended or revoked at any time.”

Marginal Citations

M23 1983 c.20.

M24 1983 c.20.

42 Provision of information by Registrar General.

After section 124 of the 1977 Act there is inserted—

“124A Provision of information by Registrar General.

- (1) The Registrar General may provide to the Secretary of State any information to which this section applies.
- (2) Any information provided under subsection (1) above shall be provided in such form as appears to the Registrar General appropriate for the purpose of assisting the Secretary of State in the performance of his functions in relation to the health service.
- (3) This section applies to any information—
 - (a) entered in any register kept under the ^{M25}Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953; or
 - (b) which is kept by the Registrar General under any other enactment and relates to any birth or death.

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- (4) In subsection (3) above, “enactment” includes an enactment contained in subordinate legislation.”

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M25 1953 c.20.

43 Health Service Commissioners.

- (1) Section 15 of the ^{M26}Health Service Commissioners Act 1993 (confidentiality of information) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (1), at the beginning of paragraph (e) there is inserted “ where the information is to the effect that any person is likely to constitute a threat to the health or safety of patients ”.
- (3) Subsection (1A) is omitted.
- (4) In subsection (1B)—
- (a) for “such a case” there is substituted “ a case within subsection (1)(e) ”,
 - (b) the words following “patients” are omitted.
- (5) In subsection (1C), for paragraphs (a) and (b) there is substituted—
- “(a) where he knows the identity of the person mentioned in subsection (1) (e), inform that person that he has disclosed the information and of the identity of any person to whom he has disclosed it, and
 - (b) inform the person from whom the information was obtained that he has disclosed it”.

Commencement Information

I33 S. 43 wholly in force at 1.3.2000; s. 43 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); s. 43 in force for E.W. at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(b); s. 43 in force for S. at 1.3.2000 by S.S.I. 2000/38, art. 2

Marginal Citations

M26 1993 c.46.

Rectification of transitional arrangements

44 Power to rectify transitional provisions etc.

- (1) The Secretary of State may by order make such provision as he considers appropriate in consequence of the matters mentioned in subsection (2) (the “relevant defects”).
- (2) Those matters are—
- (a) the omission from Part III of Schedule 2 to the ^{M27}Health Authorities Act 1995 (Transitional Provisions) Order 1996 (which determined the relevant Health Authority in relation to any Family Health Services Authority in England whose locality comprised or formed part of the area of more than one Health Authority) of an entry for Bromley Family Health Services Authority,

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- (b) the inclusion in Part III or IV of Schedule 1 to that order (which determined the relevant Health Authority in relation to any Family Health Services Authority whose locality comprised or formed part of the area of only one Health Authority) of an entry for any Family Health Services Authority in England or Wales whose locality comprised or formed part of the area of more than one Health Authority (and an entry for which should accordingly have been included in Part III or IV of Schedule 2 to that order),
 - (c) the omission from column 2 of the entry for any Family Health Services Authority in Part III or IV of Schedule 2 to that order (which together with column 3 of that entry specified the relevant Health Authorities in relation to that Family Health Services Authority) of any Health Authority whose area or any part of whose area forms part of the locality of the Family Health Services Authority and which was not included in column 3 of that entry,
 - (d) where—
 - (i) the locality of a Family Health Services Authority and the area of a Health Authority overlap but do not coincide, and
 - (ii) the Family Health Services Authority had compiled a list of persons residing in its locality,
 the treatment, incorrectly, by a Health Authority of a person included in that list as residing, or as not residing, in their area.
- (3) Provision that may be made under subsection (1) includes, in particular—
- (a) provision amending the Health Authorities Act 1995 (Transitional Provisions) Order 1996,
 - (b) provision transferring, or adding, the name of any Part II practitioner to any Part II list in which he is (or, at the material time, was) not included because of any of the relevant defects,
 - (c) provision for treating anything done by or in relation to an acting authority or a person of any description identified by reference to an acting authority as having been done by or in relation to the proper authority or a person of that description identified by reference to the proper authority,
 - (d) provision for treating anything done by or in relation to an acting authority or a person of any description identified by reference to an acting authority as having been so done in the exercise by them or him of functions on behalf of the proper authority or a person of that description identified by reference to the proper authority.
- (4) Any provision made by an order under this section may be made with effect from any date after 31st March 1996 specified in the order.
- (5) Provision contained in an order under this section by virtue of section 62(4) may include provision conferring functions on the Secretary of State.
- (6) In subsection (3)(b)—
- “Part II practitioner” means a person who provides (or, at any time since 31st March 1996, has provided) general medical services, general dental services, general ophthalmic services or pharmaceutical services in accordance with arrangements made or treated as made (or which, but for any of the relevant defects, would have been made or treated as made) under Part II of the 1977 Act,

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“Part II list” means a list kept by a Health Authority under section 29(2)(a), 36(1)(a), 39(a) or 42(2)(a) of that Act (lists of persons providing general medical, general dental, general ophthalmic or pharmaceutical services).

(7) In subsection (3)(c) and (d), in relation to anything done by or in relation to a Health Authority or a person identified by reference to a Health Authority—

“acting authority” means the Health Authority by or in relation to whom the thing was done or person was identified because of any of the relevant defects,

“proper authority” means the Health Authority by or in relation to whom the thing should have been done or by reference to whom the person should have been identified.

Marginal Citations

M27 S.I. 1996/709.

PART II

THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE: SCOTLAND

Fund-holding practices

45 Repeal of law about fund-holding practices.

In the ^{M28}National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978, sections 87A to 87C (which make provision in relation to fund-holding practices in Scotland) are to cease to have effect.

Marginal Citations

M28 1978 c.29.

NHS trusts

46 Establishment orders.

(1) In section 12A of the 1978 Act (NHS trusts)—

(a) in subsection (1), for paragraphs (a) and (b) there is substituted “ to provide goods and services for the purposes of the health service ”,

(b) for subsection (4) there is substituted—

“(4) The functions which may be specified in an order under subsection (1) include a duty to provide goods or services so specified at, from, or through a hospital or other establishment or facility so specified.”

(2) In section 108(1) (interpretation) after the definition of “property” there is inserted—

““provide” includes manage”.

(3) Any order under section 12A(1) of that Act—

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- (a) is to be treated as always having had effect with the omission of any obligation for the NHS trust to which the order relates to own land specified in the order, and
 - (b) so far as any functions specified in it could have been specified under that provision as amended by this Act, is to be treated as having been made under that provision as so amended.
- (4) Any restriction preventing the acquisition by any NHS trust (including any NHS trust dissolved before the commencement of this section) of land merely because the land did not comprise a hospital or other establishment or facility previously managed or provided by a Health Board or the Agency is to be treated as never having had effect.
- (5) An order under section 63 of this Act may—
- (a) provide for any provision made by it for the purposes of, in consequence of, or for giving full effect to, this section to be treated as having had effect from a time before the commencement of this section,
 - (b) make such provision about an NHS trust dissolved before that commencement.
- (6) In paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 7A to the 1978 Act (establishment orders), for “assume responsibility for the ownership and management of” there is substituted “ provide services at ”.
- (7) In paragraph 3 of Schedule 7B to that Act (borrowing limits), in sub-paragraph (1), for the words from “established” to “manage” there is substituted “ which are required to provide services at or from ”.
- (8) The 1978 Act is to be treated as always having had effect subject to the amendments made by this section.

47 Directions as to delegation of functions.

After section 12A of the 1978 Act there is inserted—

“12AA Additional functions of NHS trusts.

The Secretary of State may direct a Health Board to delegate to an NHS trust or NHS trusts some or all of their functions—

- (a) under section 2(1) of making arrangements on his behalf for the provision of services mentioned in Part II; or
- (b) relating to pilot schemes under Part I of the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997; or
- (c) relating to arrangements under section 17C for the provision of personal medical services and personal dental services.”

48 Constitution of NHS trust boards.

In section 12A of the 1978 Act (NHS trusts), in subsection (3), for paragraph (a) there is substituted—

- “(a) shall be a body corporate having a board of directors consisting of a chairman who is not an employee of the trust, appointed by the Secretary of State; and, subject to paragraph 5(2) of Schedule 7A, executive directors (directors who, subject to subsection (5), are

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employees of the trust) and non-executive directors (directors who, subject to subsection (5), are not employees of the trust and who shall be known as “trustees”).

49 Duties of NHS trusts.

(1) Paragraph 6 of Schedule 7A to the 1978 Act is amended as follows.

(2) For sub-paragraph (1) there is substituted—

“(1) In carrying out the functions for the time being conferred on it an NHS trust shall comply with any directions given to it by the Secretary of State, whether of a general or of a particular nature.”

(3) Sub-paragraph (2) is omitted.

Staff transfer

50 Transfer of staff among health service bodies.

After section 12C of the 1978 Act there is inserted—

“12CA Transfer of staff among health service bodies.

(1) This section applies to any person who is—

- (a) employed by a health service body (the transferor authority) and is transferred to another health service body (the transferee authority) because a function of the transferor authority is transferred to the transferee authority; and
- (b) designated for the purposes of this section by a scheme made by the transferor authority.

(2) A scheme under this section shall not have effect unless approved by the Secretary of State.

(3) The contract of employment between a person to whom this section applies and the transferor authority shall have effect from the transfer date as if originally made between him and the transferee authority.

(4) Without prejudice to subsection (3)—

- (a) all the transferor authority’s rights, powers, duties and liabilities under or in connection with a contract to which that subsection applies shall by virtue of this section be transferred to the transferee authority on the transfer date; and
- (b) anything done before the transfer date by or in relation to the transferor authority in respect of that contract shall be deemed from that date to have been done by or in relation to the transferee authority.

(5) Subsections (3) and (4) are without prejudice to any right of an employee to terminate his contract of employment if a substantial change is made to his detriment in his working conditions; but no such right shall arise by reason only of the change in employer effected by this section.

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(6) A scheme under this section may designate a person either individually or as a member of a class or description of employees.

(7) In this section—

a “health service body” is a body mentioned in section 17A(2); and
the “transfer date” is the date on which the function is transferred from the transferor authority to the transferee authority.”

Quality

51 **Duty of quality.**

After section 12G of the 1978 Act there is inserted—

“ Quality

12H Duty of quality.

- (1) It shall be the duty of each Health Board, Special Health Board and NHS trust and of the Agency to put and keep in place arrangements for the purpose of monitoring and improving the quality of health care which it provides to individuals.
- (2) The reference in subsection (1) to health care which a body there mentioned provides to individuals includes health care which the body provides jointly with another person to individuals.
- (3) In this section “health care” means services for or in connection with the prevention, diagnosis or treatment of illness.”

Finance

52 **Expenditure of Health Boards and other bodies.**

For section 85 of the 1978 Act there is substituted—

“85AA Means of meeting expenditure of Health Boards out of public funds.

- (1) The Secretary of State shall pay to each Health Board sums equal to their general Part II expenditure.
- (2) “General Part II expenditure” is expenditure which—
 - (a) is attributable to the payment of remuneration to persons providing services in pursuance of Part II; but
 - (b) does not fall within paragraphs (b) to (e) of subsection (4).
- (3) The Secretary of State shall pay to each Health Board, in respect of each financial year, sums not exceeding the amount allotted for that year by the Secretary of State to the Board towards meeting their main expenditure.

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- (4) In subsection (3) “main expenditure” means expenditure which is attributable to—
- (a) the performance by the Board of their functions in that year, but—
 - (i) is not general Part II expenditure; and
 - (ii) does not fall within paragraphs (b) to (d);
 - (b) the reimbursement of expenses of persons providing services in pursuance of Part II which are designated expenses incurred in connection with the provision of the services (or in giving instruction in matters relating to the services);
 - (c) remuneration which is paid to persons providing additional pharmaceutical services (in accordance with directions under section 27A) in respect of such of those services as are designated;
 - (d) remuneration which is—
 - (i) paid to persons providing general medical services under Part II;
 - (ii) determined by the Health Board concerned; and
 - (iii) of a designated description; or
 - (e) remuneration which is referable to the cost of drugs for which the Health Board is accountable in that year (whether paid by it or by another Health Board).
- (5) In paragraphs (b) to (e) of subsection (4), “designated” means designated in writing by the Secretary of State for the purposes of that paragraph and in relation to the allotment in question.
- (6) An amount is allotted to a Health Board for a year under this section when they are notified by the Secretary of State that it is allotted to them for that year; and the Secretary of State may make an allotment under this section increasing or reducing an allotment previously so made.
- (7) Where the Secretary of State proposes to pay any sum to a Health Board, he may, with the consent of the Treasury, instead pay that sum to an NHS trust in discharge of the whole or any part of any liability of the Health Board to the NHS trust.
- (8) The Secretary of State may give directions to a Health Board with respect to the application of sums paid to them and a Board to whom directions have been given under this subsection shall comply with the directions.
- (9) The expenditure of a University Liaison Committee shall, for the purposes of this section, be deemed to be the expenditure of the Health Board for whose area it is constituted, and, where a University Liaison Committee is constituted for the areas of more than one Health Board, its expenditure shall be apportioned between the Boards concerned in such manner as may be determined by the Secretary of State.
- (10) Payments under this section shall be made at such times and in such manner, and subject to such conditions as to records, certificates or otherwise, as the Secretary of State may determine.
- (11) In this section and section 85AB, “drugs” includes medicines and listed appliances (within the meaning of section 27).

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85AB Further provision as to expenditure on drugs.

- (1) For each financial year, the Secretary of State shall apportion, in such manner as he thinks appropriate, among all Health Boards the total of the remuneration referable to the cost of drugs which is paid by each Health Board in that year.
- (2) A Health Board is accountable in any year for remuneration referable to the cost of drugs to the extent (and only to the extent) that such remuneration is apportioned to it under subsection (1).
- (3) Where in any financial year any remuneration referable to the cost of drugs for which a Health Board is accountable is paid by another Health Board, the remuneration is to be treated (for the purposes of this section) as having been paid by the first Health Board in the performance of its functions.
- (4) The Secretary of State may, in particular, exercise his discretion under subsection (1)—
 - (a) so that any apportionment reflects, in the case of each Health Board, the financial consequences of orders for the provision of drugs, being orders which in his opinion are attributable to the Board in question;
 - (b) by reference to averaged or estimated amounts.
- (5) The Secretary of State may make provision for any remuneration referable to the cost of drugs which is paid by a Health Board other than the Health Board which is accountable for the payment to be reimbursed in such manner as he may determine.
- (6) The Secretary of State shall determine what remuneration paid by Health Boards to persons providing pharmaceutical services is to be treated for the purposes of section 85AA and this section as remuneration referable to the cost of drugs.

85 Expenses of certain bodies.

- (1) There shall, in respect of each financial year, be paid by the Secretary of State sums not exceeding the amount allotted by him for that year to each of the following bodies towards meeting the expenditure attributable to the performance by that body of their functions in that year—
 - (a) the Agency;
 - (b) every Special Health Board;
 - (c) the Medical Practices Committee;
 - (d) the Dental Estimates Board;
 - (e) the tribunal;
 - (f) every local health council.
- (2) The date on which an allotment under subsection (1) (including an allotment increasing or reducing an allotment previously made) takes effect is the date on which the body receiving the allotment are notified of its amount by the Secretary of State.
- (3) The Secretary of State may give directions to a body referred to in subsection (1) with respect to the application of the sums paid to them under that subsection

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and it shall be the duty of any body to whom directions have been given under this subsection to comply with the directions.

- (4) Payments under subsection (1) shall be made at such times and in such manner, and subject to such conditions as to records, certificates or otherwise, as the Secretary of State may determine.”

53 Public dividend capital.

- (1) Section 12E of the 1978 Act (originating capital debt of, and other financial provisions relating to, NHS trusts) is amended as provided in subsections (2) to (5).
- (2) In subsections (1), (2) and (3), for “originating capital debt” there is substituted “originating capital”.
- (3) For subsection (4) there is substituted—
- “(4) An NHS trust’s originating capital shall be public dividend capital.”
- (4) Subsections (5) and (6) are omitted.
- (5) In subsection (7), for the words from “the terms” to the end there is substituted—
- “(a) the dividend which is to be payable at any time on any public dividend capital issued, or treated as issued, under this Act;
- (b) the amount of any such public dividend capital which is to be repaid at any time;
- (c) any other terms on which any public dividend capital is so issued, or treated as issued”.
- (6) In Schedule 7B to that Act—
- (a) in paragraph 3 (limits on indebtedness), sub-paragraph (2) is omitted,
- (b) in paragraph 5 (additional public dividend capital), sub-paragraph (2) is omitted.

54 Existing NHS trusts: conversion of initial loan.

- (1) This section applies to any NHS trust in existence immediately before commencement.
- (2) On commencement so much of the originating capital debt of the NHS trust as remains outstanding immediately before commencement is to be treated as the originating capital of the NHS trust and accordingly is public dividend capital.
- (3) Any reference in any enactment, instrument or other document to the originating capital debt of the NHS trust is to be construed (except where the context otherwise requires) as a reference to its originating capital.
- (4) The Secretary of State may with the consent of the Treasury determine the amount and time for payment of interest on the NHS trust’s initial loan in respect of the period ending with commencement.
- (5) In this section—
- “commencement” means the coming into force of this section,
- “initial loan” has the meaning given by section 12E(5) of the 1978 Act.

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55 **Borrowing.**

- (1) Schedule 7B to the 1978 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) In paragraph 1 (borrowing powers of NHS trusts), in sub-paragraph (1), after “Subject to” there is inserted “ any direction given by the Secretary of State, to ”.
- (3) Sub-paragraphs (3) to (5) of that paragraph are omitted.
- (4) For sub-paragraph (6) there is substituted—
 - “(6) It shall be for the Secretary of State, with the consent of the Treasury, to determine the terms of any loan made by him to an NHS trust (including terms as to the payment of interest, if any).”

Indemnity cover

56 **Indemnity cover for Part II services.**

- (1) After section 28B of the 1978 Act there is inserted—

“28C Indemnity cover.

- (1) Regulations may make provision for the purpose of securing that, in prescribed circumstances, prescribed Part II practitioners hold approved indemnity cover.
- (2) The regulations may, in particular, make provision as to the consequences of a failure to hold approved indemnity cover, including provision—
 - (a) for securing that a person is not be added to any list unless he holds approved indemnity cover;
 - (b) for the removal from a list prepared by a Health Board of a Part II practitioner who does not within a prescribed period after the making of a request by the Health Board in the prescribed manner satisfy the Health Board that he holds approved indemnity cover.
- (3) For the purposes of this section—

“approved body” means a person or persons approved in relation to indemnity cover of any description, after such consultation as may be prescribed, by the Secretary of State or by such other person as may be prescribed;

“approved indemnity cover” means indemnity cover made—

 - (a) on prescribed terms; and
 - (b) with an approved body;

“indemnity cover”, in relation to a Part II practitioner (or person who proposes to provide Part II services), means a contract of insurance or other arrangement made for the purpose of indemnifying him and any person prescribed in relation to him to any prescribed extent against any liability which—

 - (a) arises out of the provision of Part II services in accordance with arrangements made by him with a Health Board under this Part of this Act; and

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(b) is incurred by him or any such person in respect of the death or personal injury of a person;

“list” has the same meaning as in section 29;

“Part II practitioner” means a person whose name is on a list;

“Part II services” means general medical services, general dental services, general ophthalmic services or pharmaceutical services;

“personal injury” means any disease or impairment of a person’s physical or mental condition and includes the prolongation of any disease or such impairment;

and a person holds approved indemnity cover if he has entered into a contract or arrangement which constitutes approved indemnity cover.

(4) The regulations may provide that a person of any description who has entered into a contract or arrangement which is—

(a) in a form identified in accordance with the regulations in relation to persons of that description; and

(b) made with a person or persons so identified,

is to be treated as holding approved indemnity cover for the purposes of the regulations.”

(2) In section 19A of the 1978 Act (medical lists), at the beginning of subsection (3) there is inserted “ Subject to any provision made under section 28C, ”.

(3) In section 25 of that Act (arrangements for provision of general dental services), in subsection (2)(b), the word “and” before sub-paragraph (iii) is omitted and after that sub-paragraph there is inserted “; and

(iv) any provision made under section 28C”.

(4) In section 26 of that Act (arrangements for provision of general ophthalmic services), in subsection (2)(b), after “practitioners” there is inserted “ and any provision made under section 28C ”.

Remuneration

57 Remuneration for Part II services.

(1) For sections 28A and 28B of the 1978 Act (regulations as to remuneration) there is substituted—

“28A Remuneration for Part II services.

(1) The remuneration to be paid to persons who provide general medical services, general dental services, general ophthalmic services or pharmaceutical services under this Part of this Act shall be determined by determining authorities (and they may also determine the remuneration to be paid to persons providing those services in respect of the instruction of any person in matters relating to those services).

(2) For the purposes of this section and section 28B, determining authorities are—

(a) the Secretary of State; and

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- (b) so far as authorised by him to exercise the functions of determining authorities, any Health Board or other person appointed by him in an instrument (referred to in this section and section 28B as an instrument of appointment).
- (3) An instrument of appointment—
 - (a) may contain requirements with which a determining authority appointed by that instrument must comply in making determinations; and
 - (b) may be contained in regulations.
- (4) Subject to this section and section 28B, regulations may make provision about determining remuneration under subsection (1) and may in particular impose requirements with which determining authorities must comply in making, or in connection with, determinations (including requirements as to consultation and publication).
- (5) Regulations may provide—
 - (a) that determinations may be made by reference to any of the following—
 - (i) rates or conditions of remuneration of any persons or any descriptions of persons which are fixed or determined, or to be fixed or determined, otherwise than by way of a determination under subsection (1);
 - (ii) scales, indices or other data of any description specified in the regulations;
 - (b) that any determination which in accordance with regulations made by virtue of paragraph (a)(ii) falls to be made by reference to a scale or an index or to any other data may be made not only by reference to that scale or index or those data in the form current at the time of the determination but also by reference to the scale, index or data in any subsequent form attributable to amendment or revision taking effect after that time or to any other cause.
- (6) Regulations may—
 - (a) provide that determining authorities may make determinations which have effect in relation to remuneration in respect of a period beginning on or after a date specified in the determination, which may be the date of the determination or an earlier or later date, but may be an earlier date only if, taking the determination as a whole, it is not detrimental to the persons to whose remuneration it relates;
 - (b) provide that any such determination which does not specify such a date shall have effect in relation to remuneration in respect of a period beginning—
 - (i) if it is required to be published, on the date of publication;
 - (ii) if it is not so required, on the date on which it is made.
- (7) A reference in this section or section 28B to a determination is a reference to a determination of remuneration under subsection (1) of this section.

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28B Part II remuneration: supplementary.

- (1) Before a determination is made by the Secretary of State which relates to all persons who provide services of, or of a category falling within, one of the descriptions of services mentioned in section 28A(1), he—
 - (a) shall consult a body appearing to him to be representative of persons to whose remuneration the determination would relate, and
 - (b) may consult such other persons as he considers appropriate.
- (2) Determinations may make different provision for different cases including different provision for any particular case, class of case or area.
- (3) Determinations may—
 - (a) be made in more than one stage;
 - (b) be made by more than one determining authority;
 - (c) be varied or revoked by subsequent determinations.
- (4) A determination may be varied—
 - (a) to correct an error; or
 - (b) where it appears to the determining authority that it was made in ignorance of or under a mistake as to a relevant fact.
- (5) Determinations may, in particular, provide that the whole or any part of the remuneration—
 - (a) is payable only if the determining authority is satisfied as to certain conditions; or
 - (b) is to be applied for certain purposes or is otherwise subject to certain conditions.
- (6) Subject to sections 19(3) and 25(3), remuneration under section 28A may consist of payments by way of—
 - (a) salary;
 - (b) fees;
 - (c) allowances;
 - (d) reimbursement (in full or in part) of expenses incurred or expected to be incurred in connection with the provision of the services or instruction,and may be determined from time to time.
- (7) At the time a determination is made or varied, certain matters which require determining may be reserved to be decided at a later date.
- (8) The matters which may be reserved include in particular—
 - (a) the amount of remuneration to be paid in particular cases;
 - (b) whether any remuneration is to be paid in particular cases.
- (9) Any determination shall be made after taking into account all the matters which are considered to be relevant by the determining authority and such matters may include in particular—
 - (a) the amount or estimated amount of expenses (taking into account any discounts) incurred in the past or likely to be incurred in the future

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- (whether or not by persons to whose remuneration the determination will relate) in connection with the provision of services of the description in section 28A(1) to which the determination will relate or of any category falling within that description;
- (b) the amount or estimated amount of any remuneration paid or likely to be paid to persons providing such services;
 - (c) the amount or estimated amount of any other payments or repayments or other benefits received or likely to be received by any such persons;
 - (d) the extent to which it is desirable to encourage the provision, either generally or in particular places, of the description or category of services to which the determination will relate;
 - (e) the desirability of promoting services which are—
 - (i) economic and efficient; and
 - (ii) of an appropriate standard.
- (10) If the determination is of remuneration for a category of services falling within one of the descriptions of services mentioned in section 28A(1), the reference in subsection (9)(a) to a category of services is a reference to the same category of services or to any other category of services falling within the same description.”
- (2) Sections 28A and 28B of the 1978 Act as substituted by this section have effect in relation to—
- (a) the making of determinations on or after the commencement of this section; and
 - (b) the variation or revocation on or after the commencement of this section of determinations whenever made,
- and in this subsection “determinations” means determinations under Part II of the 1978 Act of the remuneration to be paid to persons who provide services mentioned in section 28A(1).
- (3) Section 7(4) of the ^{M29}Health and Social Security Act 1984 and section 15(3) of the ^{M30}Health and Medicines Act 1988 (determinations of remuneration for services under Part II of the 1978 Act deemed to be valid) have effect in relation to Scotland as if—
- (a) after “inserted by this section” in section 7(4)(b) of the 1984 Act; and
 - (b) after “section 7 of the Health and Social Security Act 1984” in section 15(3) of the 1988 Act,
- there were inserted “ and before the coming into force of section 57 of the ^{M31}Health Act 1999 ”.

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Fraud

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58 Disqualification etc. of Part II practitioners.

- (1) For section 29 of the 1978 Act (disqualification of persons providing services) there is substituted—

“29 The NHS tribunal.

- (1) The tribunal constituted in accordance with Schedule 8 shall continue under the name of “the NHS Tribunal” and that Schedule shall continue to have effect in relation to the Tribunal.
- (2) If the Tribunal receive from a Health Board representations that—
- (a) a person who is included in any list meets either of the conditions for disqualification, or
 - (b) a person who has applied to be included in any list meets the second condition for disqualification,
- the Tribunal shall inquire into the case.
- (3) If the Tribunal receive such representations from any other person, they may inquire into the case.
- (4) Representations under this section shall be made—
- (a) in the prescribed manner; and
 - (b) where the representations are that the second condition for disqualification is met and regulations prescribe the time within which such representations are to be made, within that time.
- (5) Subsections (6) to (11) apply for the purposes of this group of sections.
- (6) The first condition for disqualification is that the continued inclusion of the person concerned in the list would be prejudicial to the efficiency of the services which those included in the list undertake to provide.
- (7) The second condition for disqualification is that the person concerned—
- (a) has (whether on his own or together with another) by an act or omission caused, or risked causing, detriment to any health scheme by securing or trying to secure for himself or another any financial or other benefit; and
 - (b) knew that he or (as the case may be) the other was not entitled to the benefit.
- (8) A “list” means—
- (a) a list of medical practitioners undertaking to provide general medical services;
 - (b) a list of medical practitioners undertaking to provide general ophthalmic services;
 - (c) a list of dental practitioners undertaking to provide general dental services;

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- (d) a list of ophthalmic opticians undertaking to provide general ophthalmic services; or
 - (e) a list of persons undertaking to provide pharmaceutical services, prepared (in each case) under this Part.
- (9) “Health scheme” means—
- (a) any of the health services under section 1(1) or any corresponding enactment extending to England and Wales or Northern Ireland; and
 - (b) any prescribed scheme,
- and regulations may prescribe any scheme for the purposes of this subsection which appears to the Secretary of State to be a health or medical scheme paid for out of public funds.
- (10) Detriment to a health scheme includes detriment to any patient of, or person working in, that scheme or any person liable to pay charges for services provided under that scheme.
- (11) Cases in which representations are made that the first condition for disqualification is met are referred to below as efficiency cases; and cases in which representations are made that the second condition for disqualification is met are referred to below as fraud cases.
- (12) In this section and sections 29A to 29C—
- (a) “this group of sections” means this and those sections and Schedule 8; and
 - (b) the NHS Tribunal is referred to as the Tribunal.

29A The NHS Tribunal: supplementary.

- (1) Where an ophthalmic optician is a body corporate, the body corporate is to be treated for the purposes of this group of sections as meeting the second condition for disqualification if any director meets that condition (whether or not he first met that condition when he was a director).
- (2) Where a body corporate carries on a retail pharmacy business, the body corporate is to be treated for the purposes of this group of sections as meeting the second condition for disqualification if any one of the body of persons controlling the body corporate meets that condition (whether or not he first met that condition when he was one of them).
- (3) A person who is included in any list (“the practitioner”) is to be treated for the purposes of this group of sections as meeting the second condition for disqualification if—
 - (a) another person, because of an act or omission of his occurring in the course of providing any services mentioned in section 29(8) on the practitioner’s behalf, meets that condition; and
 - (b) the practitioner failed to take all such steps as were reasonable to prevent acts or omissions within section 29(7)(a) occurring in the course of the provision of those services on his behalf.
- (4) The Tribunal is not required to inquire into a fraud case if they have previously inquired into representations in respect of the person concerned and the same acts or omissions.

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- (5) In a fraud case, regulations may make provision (including provision modifying the effect of this Part) for the purpose of securing that the person subject to the inquiry is not added to any list until proceedings in that case are finally concluded.
- (6) For the purposes of this group of sections, in a fraud or efficiency case proceedings are finally concluded—
 - (a) if the Tribunal determine not to disqualify or conditionally disqualify him when they make that determination;
 - (b) if they determine to disqualify or conditionally disqualify him and no appeal is brought against the determination, at the end of the period for bringing an appeal;
 - (c) if they determine to disqualify or conditionally disqualify him and an appeal is brought against the determination, when the appeal process is exhausted.
- (7) An inquiry under section 29 is not affected by the person subject to the inquiry withdrawing from, withdrawing any application to be included in or being removed from the list to which the case relates.

29B Powers of NHS Tribunal.

- (1) Subsection (2) applies where the Tribunal are of the opinion—
 - (a) on inquiring into an efficiency case, that the person meets the first condition for disqualification;
 - (b) on inquiring into a fraud case, that the person meets the second condition for disqualification.
- (2) The Tribunal—
 - (a) shall make a local disqualification, that is disqualify him for inclusion in the list to which the case relates; and
 - (b) may also make a national disqualification, that is disqualify him for inclusion in all lists within the same paragraph of section 29(8) as that list.
- (3) If the Tribunal make a national disqualification they may also declare that the person is not fit to be engaged in any capacity in the provision of the services to which the lists in question relate (referred to in this group of sections as a declaration of unfitness).
- (4) The Tribunal shall not make any disqualification or declaration under this section if they are of the opinion that it would be unjust to do so.
- (5) A disqualification under this section shall have effect when the case is finally concluded.
- (6) If a person is disqualified for inclusion in any list prepared by a Health Board, the Board must not enter him in the list and (if he is already included in the list) must remove him from the list.

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29C Conditional disqualification etc.

- (1) The functions of making disqualifications under section 29B include making a conditional disqualification, that is, a disqualification which is to come into effect only if the Tribunal determine (on a review under section 30) that the person subject to the inquiry has failed to comply with any conditions imposed by them.
 - (2) Conditions may be imposed by virtue of subsection (1) with a view to—
 - (a) removing any prejudice to the efficiency of the services in question; or
 - (b) preventing any acts or omissions within section 29(7)(a), (as the case may be).
 - (3) Conditions so imposed shall have effect when proceedings in the case are finally concluded.
 - (4) Section 29B(4) applies to a conditional disqualification as it applies to a disqualification.
 - (5) The Tribunal may by directions—
 - (a) vary the terms of service of the person subject to the inquiry (including terms imposed by regulations under this Part);
 - (b) confer functions on any Health Board,
 for the purpose of or in connection with the imposition of any conditions by virtue of this section.
 - (6) References in any enactment to a disqualification by the Tribunal do not include a conditional disqualification.”
- (2) For section 30 of the 1978 Act (removal of disqualification) there is substituted—

“30 Review etc. of disqualification.

- (1) The Tribunal may review any disqualification, conditional disqualification or declaration of unfitness—
 - (a) if the disqualified or conditionally disqualified person requests a review; or
 - (b) in any other circumstances in which they consider it appropriate.
- (2) On a review under subsection (1), the Tribunal may—
 - (a) remove a disqualification or provide that a declaration of unfitness is to cease to have effect;
 - (b) make a disqualification conditional;
 - (c) in the case of a conditional disqualification, remove it, vary the conditions or make it unconditional,
 and, on a review of a fraud case, may make any further disqualification or conditional disqualification which they consider appropriate.
- (3) If any Health Board request a review of a conditional disqualification on the ground that—

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- (a) there has been a change in the circumstances by reference to which the conditions were imposed;
 - (b) the person concerned has failed to comply with the conditions; or
 - (c) in a fraud case, the person concerned has since the Tribunal imposed the conditions (or made the disqualification conditional) again satisfied the second condition for disqualification,the Tribunal shall review the conditional disqualification.
- (4) In the case of a person who is providing services in England and Wales or Northern Ireland, the reference in subsection (3) to a Health Board includes any corresponding authority under the provisions in force in England and Wales or Northern Ireland corresponding to this Part.
- (5) On a review under subsection (3) of a conditional disqualification, the Tribunal may remove it, vary the conditions or make it unconditional and, on a review of a fraud case, may make any further disqualification or conditional disqualification which they consider appropriate.
- (6) If, on a review under this section of a fraud case—
 - (a) there is a national disqualification which the Tribunal do not remove or make conditional;
 - (b) there is a national disqualification which is conditional and which the Tribunal make unconditional; or
 - (c) the Tribunal make a national disqualification,they may also make a declaration of unfitness.
- (7) The Tribunal shall not under this section—
 - (a) in the case of a conditional disqualification, make it unconditional or vary the conditions; or
 - (b) make any further disqualification or conditional disqualification;
 - (c) make a declaration of unfitness,if they are of the opinion that it would be unjust to do so.
- (8) A determination by the Tribunal under this section shall have effect—
 - (a) if no appeal is brought against it, at the end of the period for bringing an appeal;
 - (b) if an appeal is brought against it, when the appeal process is exhausted.
- (9) The Tribunal may hold an inquiry for the purposes of any review under this section.”

Commencement Information

I34 S. 58 wholly in force at 4.3.2004: s. 58 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67; s. 58 in force at 31.1.2004 for certain purposes and wholly in force at 4.3.2004 by S.S.I. 2004/32, art. 2

59 Recovery of charges and payments.

- (1) After section 99 of the 1978 Act there is inserted—

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“99ZA Recovery of charges and payments.

- (1) Where goods or services to which this section applies are provided and either—
 - (a) any charge payable by any person under this Act in respect of the provision of the goods or services is reduced, remitted or repaid, but that person is not entitled to the reduction, remission or repayment; or
 - (b) any payment under this Act is made to, or for the benefit of, any person in respect of the cost of obtaining the goods or services but that person is not entitled to, or to the benefit of, the payment,
 the amount mentioned in subsection (2) is recoverable as a debt from the person in question by the responsible authority.
- (2) That amount—
 - (a) in a case within subsection (1)(a), is the amount of the charge or (where it has been reduced) reduction;
 - (b) in a case within subsection (1)(b), is the amount of the payment.
- (3) Where two or more persons are liable under section 99 or this section to pay an amount in respect of the same charge or payment, those persons shall be jointly and severally liable.
- (4) For the purposes of this section, the circumstances in which a person is to be treated as not entitled to a reduction, remission or repayment of a charge, or to (or to the benefit of) a payment, include in particular those in which it is received (wholly or partly)—
 - (a) on the ground that he or another is a person of a particular description, where the person in question is not in fact of that description;
 - (b) on the ground that he or another holds a particular certificate, when the person in question does not in fact hold such a certificate or does hold such a certificate but is not entitled to it;
 - (c) on the ground that he or another has made a particular statement, when the person in question has not made such a statement or the statement made by him is false.
- (5) In this section and section 99ZB, “responsible authority” means—
 - (a) in relation to the recovery of any charge under section 99 in respect of the provision of goods or services to which this section applies, the person by whom the charge is recoverable;
 - (b) in relation to the recovery by virtue of this section of the whole or part of the amount of any such charge, the person by whom the charge would have been recoverable;
 - (c) in a case within subsection (1)(b), the person who made the payment.
- (6) But the Secretary of State may by directions provide for—
 - (a) the functions of any responsible authority of recovering any charges under this Act in respect of the provision of goods or services to which this section applies;
 - (b) the functions of any responsible authority under this section and section 99ZB,
 to be exercised on behalf of the authority by another health service body.

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- (7) This section applies to the following goods and services—
- (a) dental treatment and appliances provided in pursuance of this Act;
 - (b) drugs and medicines provided in pursuance of this Act;
 - (c) the testing of sight;
 - (d) optical appliances;
 - (e) any other appliances provided in pursuance of this Act.
- 99ZB.—(1) Regulations may provide that, where a person fails to pay—
- (a) any amount recoverable from him under section 99 in respect of the provision of goods or services to which section 99ZA applies; or
 - (b) any amount recoverable from him under section 99ZA,
- a notice (referred to in this section as a penalty notice) may be served on the person, by or on behalf of the responsible authority, requiring him to pay to the authority, within a prescribed period, that amount together with a charge (referred to in this section as a penalty charge) of an amount determined in accordance with the regulations.
- (2) The regulations may not provide for the amount of the penalty charge to exceed whichever is the smaller of—
- (a) £100;
 - (b) the amount referred to in subsection (1)(a) or (b) multiplied by 5.
- (3) The Secretary of State may by order provide for subsection (2) to have effect as if, for the sum specified in paragraph (a) or the multiplier specified in paragraph (b) (including that sum or multiplier as substituted by a previous order), there were substituted a sum or (as the case may be) multiplier specified in the order.
- (4) Regulations may provide that, if a person fails to pay the amount he is required to pay under a penalty notice within the period in question, he must also pay to the responsible authority by way of penalty a further sum determined in accordance with the regulations.
- (5) The further sum must not exceed 50 per cent. of the amount of the penalty charge.
- (6) Any sum payable under the regulations (including the amount referred to in subsection (1)(a) or (b)) may be recovered by the responsible authority as a debt.
- (7) But a person is not liable by virtue of a penalty notice—
- (a) to pay at any time so much of any amount referred to in subsection (1) (a) or (b) for which he is jointly and severally liable with another as at that time has been paid, or ordered by a court to be paid, by that other; or
 - (b) to a penalty charge, or a further sum by way of penalty, if he shows that he did not act wrongfully, or with any lack of care, in respect of the charge or payment in question.
- (8) Section 99ZA and this section apply to charges which may be made and recovered under section 20 of the ^{M32}National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 as they apply to charges under this Act which may be recovered

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under section 99; and the reference to this Act in section 99ZA(7)(a) includes a reference to a pilot scheme (within the meaning of the 1997 Act).”

- (2) In section 105(3) of the 1978 Act (Parliamentary procedure for certain regulations) after “endowments)” there is inserted “ or orders under section 99ZB(3) ”.

Marginal Citations

M32 1997 c.46.

PART III

MISCELLANEOUS AND SUPPLEMENTARY

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C7 Pt. III applied to Isles of Scilly (with modifications) (14.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/448, art. 2

Miscellaneous

60 Regulation of health care and associated professions.

- (1) Her Majesty may by Order in Council make provision—
- (a) modifying the regulation of any profession to which subsection (2) applies, so far as appears to Her to be necessary or expedient for the purpose of securing or improving the regulation of the profession or the services which the profession provides or to which it contributes,
 - (b) regulating any other profession which appears to Her to be concerned (wholly or partly) with the physical or mental health of individuals and to require regulation in pursuance of this section.
 - [^{F53}(c) modifying the functions, powers or duties of the Council for the Regulation of Health Care Professionals,
 - (d) modifying the list of regulatory bodies (in section 25(3) of the National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002) in relation to which that Council performs its functions,
 - (e) modifying, as respects any such regulatory body, the range of functions of that body in relation to which the Council performs its functions.]
- (2) The professions referred to in subsection (1)(a) are—
- (a) the professions regulated by the ^{M33}Pharmacy Act 1954, the ^{M34}Medical Act 1983, the ^{M35}Dentists Act 1984, the ^{M36}Opticians Act 1989, the ^{M37}Osteopaths Act 1993 and the ^{M38}Chiropractors Act 1994,
 - (b) the professions regulated by [^{F54}the Nursing and Midwifery Order 2001] ,
 - (c) the professions regulated by [^{F55}the Health Professions Order 2001] ,
 - (d) any other profession regulated by an Order in Council under this section.
- (3) The Professions Supplementary to Medicine Act 1960 and the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Act 1997 are to cease to have effect.

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- (4) Schedule 3 (which makes further provision about Orders under this section) is to have effect.

Textual Amendments

- F53** S. 60(1)(c)-(e) inserted (1.4.2003) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\)](#), [s. 26\(9\)](#); [S.I. 2002/2202](#), [art. 2\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- F54** Words in s. 60(2)(b) substituted by [The Nursing and Midwifery Order 2001 \(S.I. 2002/253\)](#), [art. 54\(3\)](#), [Sch. 5 para. 16\(a\)](#) (with savings in [art. 3\(18\)](#) and transitional provisions in [art. 54\(1\)](#), [Sch. 2](#)) (the amendment coming into force in accordance with [art. 1\(2\)\(3\)](#) of the amending S.I.)
- F55** Words in s. 60(2)(c) substituted by [The Health Professions Order 2001 \(S.I. 2002/254\)](#), [art. 48\(3\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 8\(a\)](#) (with savings in [art. 3\(19\)](#) and transitional provisions in [art. 48\(1\)](#), [Sch. 2](#)) (the amendment coming into force in accordance with [art. 1\(2\)\(3\)](#) of the amending S.I.)

Commencement Information

- I35** S. 60 wholly in force at 1.8.2004; s. 60 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); s. 60(3) in force for certain purposes at 1.7.1999, see s. 67(3); s. 60(1)(2)(4) in force at 15.3.2000 by [S.I. 2000/779](#), [art. 2\(1\)](#) (subject to [art. 2\(2\)](#)); s. 60(3) in force for certain further purposes at 11.5.2001 by [S.I. 2001/1985](#), [art. 2\(2\)](#); s. 60(3) in force for certain further purposes at 1.4.2002 by [S.I. 2002/1167](#), [arts. 2-5](#); s. 60(3) in force for certain further purposes at 9.7.2003 by [S.I. 2003/1689](#), {[art. 2](#)}; s. 60(3) in force so far as not already in force at 1.8.2004 by [S.I. 2004/1859](#), [art. 3](#)

Marginal Citations

- M33** 1954 c.61.
M34 1983 c.54.
M35 1984 c.24.
M36 1989 c.44.
M37 1993 c.21.
M38 1994 c.17.

VALID FROM 03/11/2008

[^{F56}60A Standard of proof in fitness to practise proceedings

- (1) The standard of proof applicable to any proceedings to which this subsection applies is that applicable to civil proceedings.
- (2) Subsection (1) applies to any proceedings before—
- (a) the Office of the Health Professions Adjudicator, or
 - (b) a committee of a regulatory body, a regulatory body itself or any officer of a regulatory body,
- which relate to a person's fitness to practise a profession to which section 60(2) applies.
- (3) In subsection (2) “regulatory body” means the body (or main body) responsible for the regulation of a profession to which section 60(2) applies.
- (4) An Order in Council under section 60 may not—
- (a) amend this section, or

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(b) make any provision that is inconsistent with subsection (1).]

Textual Amendments

F56 S. 60A inserted (3.11.2008 for specified purposes) by [Health and Social Care Act 2008 \(c. 14\)](#), **ss. 112, 170(3)**; [S.I. 2008/2717](#), **art. 2**

61 English and Scottish border provisions.

- (1) Her Majesty may by Order in Council provide for any functions to which subsection (2) applies which are specified in the Order, so far as exercisable in respect of the provision of services to persons in English border areas, to be exercisable (instead of any corresponding function to which subsection (4) applies) in respect of the provision of the services in question to persons in Scottish border areas who are specified in the Order.
- (2) This subsection applies to any functions under the 1977 Act, or Part I of the ^{M39}National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997, which are exercisable by the Secretary of State or any [^{F57}Strategic Health Authority] or Primary Care Trust.
- (3) Her Majesty may by Order in Council provide for any functions to which subsection (4) applies which are specified in the Order, so far as exercisable in respect of the provision of services to persons in Scottish border areas, to be exercisable (instead of any corresponding function to which subsection (2) applies) in respect of the provision of the services in question to persons in English border areas who are specified in the Order.
- (4) This subsection applies to any functions under the 1978 Act, or Part I of the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997, which are exercisable by the Scottish Ministers or any Health Board or NHS trust established under the 1978 Act.
- (5) In this section—
 - “English border area” means the area of any [^{F58}Primary Care Trust] adjacent to Scotland,
 - “Scottish border area” means the area of any Health Board adjacent to England.

Textual Amendments

F57 Words in s. 61(2) substituted (1.10.2002 for E.W.) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\)](#), **ss. 1(3), 42(3)**, **Sch. 1 para. 54**; [S.I. 2002/2478](#), **art. 3(1)(c)** (subject to **arts. 2(2), 3(3)** and with transitional provisions in **art. 4**)

F58 Words in s. 61(5) substituted (1.10.2002) by [The National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(Supplementary, Consequential etc. Provisions\) Regulations 2002 \(S.I. 2002/2469\)](#), **reg. 4**, **Sch. 1 para. 26** (with **regs. 2(4), 15**, **Sch. 12**)

Marginal Citations

M39 1997 c.46.

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Supplementary

62 Regulations and orders.

- (1) Any power to make regulations or an order under this Act is exercisable by statutory instrument [F59, unless it is an order under paragraph 2 of Schedule 2A.].
- (2) Directions under section 20 or 28 or Schedule 2, or by virtue of section 38(1)(b), are to be given by an instrument in writing.
- (3) Any such directions may be varied or revoked by subsequent directions under, or by virtue of, the same provision.
- (4) Subsections (4) and (5) of section 126 of the 1977 Act (supplementary provisions about subordinate legislation) apply in relation to any power conferred by this Act to make Orders in Council, orders or regulations, or to give directions mentioned in subsection (2), as they apply in relation to the powers which may be exercised as mentioned in subsection (4)(a) and (b) of that section.
- (5) The provision which may be made by virtue of subsection (4) of that section in regulations under section 20 or 31 or an Order in Council under section 61 includes provision amending or repealing any enactment, instrument or document.
- (6) Subject to the following subsections, a statutory instrument containing subordinate legislation under this Act is to be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.
- (7) Subsection (6) does not apply to—
 - (a) an order under section 63 which contains only provision for or in connection with the transfer of any property, rights or liabilities, or
 - (b) an order under section 67.
- (8) No order is to be made under section 37(10) unless a draft has been laid before, and approved by resolution of, each House of Parliament.
- (9) No recommendation is to be made to Her Majesty to make an Order in Council under section 60 unless a draft has been laid before, and approved by resolution of, each House of Parliament.
- (10) But if any provision made by an Order in Council under that section would, if it were included in an Act of the Scottish Parliament, be within the legislative competence of that Parliament, no recommendation is to be made to Her Majesty to make the Order unless a draft—
 - (a) has been laid before, and approved by resolution of, each House of Parliament, and
 - (b) has been laid before, and approved by resolution of, the Scottish Parliament.
- (11) No recommendation is to be made to Her Majesty to make an Order in Council under section 61 unless a draft—
 - (a) has been laid before, and approved by resolution of, each House of Parliament, and
 - (b) has been laid before, and approved by resolution of, the Scottish Parliament.

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Textual Amendments

- F59** Words in s. 62(1) inserted (1.8.2001 for E. and 1.11.2004 for W.) by 2001 c. 15, ss. 48(3), 70(2) (with ss. 64(a), 65(4)); S.I. 2001/2804, art. 2(1)(a); S.I. 2004/1754, **art. 2(2)(a)**

63 Supplementary and consequential provision etc.

- (1) The Secretary of State may by order make—
- (a) such supplementary, incidental or consequential provision, or
 - (b) such transitory, transitional or saving provision,
- as he considers necessary or expedient for the purposes of, in consequence of or for giving full effect to any provision of this Act.
- (2) The provision which may be made under subsection (1) includes provision amending or repealing any enactment, instrument or document.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C8** S. 63: transfer of certain functions (1.7.1999) by S.I. 1999/672, art. 2, **Sch. 1** (as inserted (30.6.1999) by 1999 c. 8, ss. 66(4)(5)(c), 67(4))
- C9** S. 63 modified (1.3.2007) by National Health Service (Consequential Provisions) Act 2006 (c. 43), ss. 4, 8(2), **Sch. 2 para. 1(6)(b)** (with Sch. 3 Pt. 1)

64 Interpretation.

In this Act—

- “the 1977 Act” means the ^{M40}National Health Service Act 1977,
 “the 1978 Act” means the ^{M41}National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978,
 “the 1990 Act” means the ^{M42}National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990,
 “the Commission” means the Commission for Health Improvement,
 “enactment” includes an enactment whenever passed or made,
 “NHS trust” has the same meaning—
- (a) in Part I of this Act as in the 1977 Act,
 - (b) in Part II of this Act as in the 1978 Act.

Marginal Citations

- M40** 1977 c.49.
M41 1978 c.29.
M42 1990 c.19.

Final provisions

65 Amendments and repeals.

- (1) Schedule 4 (amendments of enactments) is to have effect.

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- (2) The repeals set out in Schedule 5 (which include the repeal of an enactment which is spent) are to have effect.

Commencement Information

I36 S. 65 partly in force; s. 65(2) in force at 1.7.1999 for certain purposes, see s. 67(1)(3); s. 65 in force for further purposes as follows: for E. at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; for E. at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; for S. at 1.10.1999 by S.S.I. 1999/90, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; for E. at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; for E.W. at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(b), Sch. 2; at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(d); for W. at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; for W. at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; for E. at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. (2)(3)(a), Sch. 2; for E.W. at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(b); for E. at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(2); for E. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(4)(a), Sch. 3; for E.W. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(4)(b); for E.W. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(3)(a)(c), Sch. 3; for W. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 2000/1026, art. 2(1), Sch.; for E.W. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 2000/1041, art. 2(c); for W. at 1.12.2000 by S.I. 2000/2991, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; for W. at 1.1.2001 by S.I. 2000/2991, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; for E.W. at 9.2.2001 by S.I. 2001/270, art. 2(b); for S. at 31.1.2004 and 4.3.2004 by S.S.I. 2004/32, art. 2(1)(b)(2)(b); for E. at 1.8.2004 by S.I. 2004/1859, arts. 4, 6

66 Devolution.

- (1) For the purposes of the ^{M43}Scotland Act 1998, any provision of this Act which extends to Scotland is to be taken to be a pre-commencement enactment within the meaning of that Act; but this subsection does not apply to section 22.
- (2) The power of a Minister of the Crown under section 67 to appoint a day for any of the following provisions to come into force in relation to Wales—
- sections 1 to 8 and 10 to 18 and Schedule 1,
 - sections 26 to 32,
 - section 65(1) and Schedule 4, so far as concerns the following provisions of that Schedule: paragraphs 1 to 16, 23 to 26, 27(a), 28 to 35, 37, 38 (except sub-paragraph (2)(b) and (d)), 39, 40, 71, 72, 74, 75, 76(b), 77 to 80, 81 (except sub-paragraph (2)(b)), 83, 84, 85 (except sub-paragraph (2)(a)) and 87 to 90,
- is exercisable instead by the National Assembly for Wales.
- (3) In Schedule 5 to the ^{M44}Government of Wales Act 1998 (bodies and offices covered by section 74), after paragraph 12 there is inserted—

“12A The Commission for Health Improvement.”

- (4) The National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 is amended as follows; and those amendments are to have effect as if made by an Order in Council under section 22 of the ^{M45}Government of Wales Act 1998 (transfer of Ministerial functions).
- (5) In Schedule 1—
- in the entry for the 1977 Act, after paragraph (c) there is inserted—
 - “(cc) section 43C;
 - “(ccc) sections 46 to 49E”;
 - at the end of the entry for the 1990 Act, there is inserted—

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“The references above to paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 are references to that paragraph before the amendments made by section 17 of the ^{M46}Health Act 1999.

The Treasury consent requirement under paragraph 8 of that Schedule (inserted by Schedule 4 to the Health Act 1999), so far as relating to the matters referred to in paragraph (b) of that paragraph, shall continue in effect.”

(c) after the entry for the ^{M47}National Minimum Wage Act 1998 there is inserted—

“In the Health Act 1999—

- (a) Part I and Schedule 4, except sections 20(1), 22 and 33 to 38 and Schedule 2 (other than paragraph 2);
- (b) section 63, so far as it relates to any of the provisions which, by virtue of section 66(2), may be brought into force by the Assembly”.

(6) In Schedule 2, after the entry for the ^{M48}Audit Commission Act 1998, there is inserted—

“Health Act 1999 (c.8)

The functions of the Secretary of State under section 20(1) shall be exercisable only with the agreement of the Assembly.

The functions of the Secretary of State under paragraphs 4 to 7 of Schedule 2 shall be exercisable only after consultation with the Assembly.”

Subordinate Legislation Made

- P1** S. 66(2) power partly exercised (27.3.2000): 1.4.2000 appointed for specified provisions by [S.I. 2000/1026, art. 2\(1\), Sch. \(with art. 2\(2\)\)](#)
 S. 66(2) power partly exercised (7.11.2000): different dates appointed for specified provisions by [S.I. 2000/2991, art. 2, Sch. 1, Sch. 2](#)

Commencement Information

- I37** S. 66 partly in force; s. 66(1)(3)-(6) in force at Royal Assent and s. 66(2) in force at 1.7.1999 see [s. 67\(1\)\(4\)](#).

Marginal Citations

- M43** 1998 c.46.
M44 1998 c.38.
M45 S.I. 1999/672.
M46 1999 c.8.
M47 1998 c.39.
M48 1998 c.18.

67 Commencement.

- (1) The preceding provisions of this Act (including the Schedules) are to come into force on such day as the Secretary of State may by order appoint.
- (2) Different days may be appointed under this section for different purposes.

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- (3) Subsection (1) does not apply to the repeal of section 10 of the ^{M49}Professions Supplementary to Medicine Act 1960 (power to extend or restrict application of Act), which comes into force on 1st July 1999 or, if later, on the day on which this Act is passed.
- (4) Subsection (1) does not apply to section 66, of which—
- (a) subsections (1) and (3) to (6) come into force on the day on which this Act is passed,
 - (b) subsection (2) comes into force on 1st July 1999 or, if later, the day on which this Act is passed.

Subordinate Legislation Made

P2 S. 67(1) power partly exercised as follows:

- different dates appointed for specified provisions by S.I. 1999/2177, **art. 2(2)(3)**;
- different dates appointed for specified provisions by S.I. 1999/2342, **art. 2, Schs. 1-3**;
- different dates appointed for specified purposes by S.I. 1999/2540, **art. 2(1)(2), Sch. 1**;
- 1.10.1999 appointed for specified provisions by S.S.I. 1999/90, **art. 2, Sch. 1, 2**;
- 14.10.1999 appointed for specified provisions by S.S.I. 1999/115, **art. 2**;
- different dates appointed for specified provisions by S.I. 1999/2793, **art. 2, Schs. 1-3**;
- different dates appointed for specified provisions by S.I. 1999/3184, **art. 2, Schs. 1, 2**;
- 1.3.2000 appointed for specified provisions by S.S.I. 2000/38, **art. 2**;
- 15.3.2000 appointed for specified provisions by S.I. 2000/779, **art. 2(1)**;
- 1.4.2000 appointed for specified provisions by S.I. 2000/1041, **art. 2, Sch.**;
- 9.2.2001 appointed for specified provisions by S.I. 2001/270, **art. 2**;
- 11.5.2001 appointed for specified provisions by S.I. 2001/1985, **art. 2**;
- 1.4.2002 appointed for specified provisions by S.I. 2002/1167, **art. 2**
- 9.7.2003 for specified provision by {S.I. 2003/1689}, **art. 2**;
- 1.4.2004 for specified provision by {S.I. 2004/289}, **art. 2**;
- 31.1.2004 and 4.3.2004 for specified provisions by {S.S.I. 2004/32}, **art. 2**;
- 1.8.2004 for specified provisions by {S.I. 2004/1859}, **arts. 2-6**;
- 1.3.2007 for specified provisions by {S.I. 2006/1407};
- 3.4.2007 for specified provisions by {S.I. 2007/1179}, **art. 2**

Marginal Citations

M49 1960 c.66.

68 Extent.

- (1) Subject to the following provisions—
- (a) Part I extends only to England and Wales,
 - (b) Part II extends only to Scotland, and
 - (c) this Part extends to Northern Ireland (as well as to England and Wales and Scotland).
- (2) The amendment or repeal of an enactment, or a power to amend or repeal an enactment, which extends to any part of the United Kingdom extends also to that part.
- (3) Sections 22 and 25 extend to Scotland and Northern Ireland.
- (4) Sections 33 to 38 extend to Scotland and Northern Ireland.

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- (5) The Secretary of State may by order provide that so much of this Act as extends to England and Wales is to apply to the Isles of Scilly with such modifications (if any) as are specified in the order; but otherwise this Act does not extend there.

69 Short title.

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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Section 2.

PRIMARY CARE TRUSTS

Commencement Information

I38 Sch. 1 partly in force; Sch. 1 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 1 in force for certain purposes (E.) at 8.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(2); Sch. 1 in force for certain purposes (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 1 in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(4)(a), Sch. 3

After Schedule 5 to the 1977 Act (Health Authorities and Special Health Authorities), there is inserted—

“SCHEDULE 5A

PRIMARY CARE TRUSTS

PART I

PCT ORDERS

- 1 (1) A PCT order shall specify—
 - (a) the name of the trust, and
 - (b) the operational date of the trust.
- (2) The operational date of a Primary Care Trust is the date on which the functions exercisable by it may be undertaken fully by the trust.
- 2 (1) A PCT order may provide for the establishment of a Primary Care Trust with effect from a date earlier than the operational date.
- (2) During the period beginning with that earlier date and ending with the day immediately preceding the operational date (referred to in this Schedule as the preparatory period), the exercise of any functions by the trust shall be limited to such exercise as may be specified in the PCT order for the purpose of enabling it to begin to operate satisfactorily with effect from the operational date.
- (3) A PCT order may require the Health Authority in whose area a Primary Care Trust is established to meet the costs of the trust performing its functions during the preparatory period by doing either or both of the following—
 - (a) discharging such liabilities of the trust as may be incurred during the preparatory period and are of a description specified in the order,
 - (b) paying the trust sums to enable it to meet expenditure of a description specified in the order.

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- (4) A PCT order may require the Health Authority in whose area a Primary Care Trust is established or an NHS trust to make available to the Primary Care Trust during the preparatory period—
- (a) premises and other facilities of the authority or NHS trust,
 - (b) officers of the authority,
 - (c) staff of the NHS trust.

PART II

CONSTITUTION AND MEMBERSHIP

Corporate status

- 3 Every Primary Care Trust shall be a body corporate.

Membership

- 4 The members of a Primary Care Trust shall be—
- (a) a chairman appointed by the Secretary of State,
 - (b) officers of the trust, and
 - (c) a number of persons who are not officers of the trust.
- 5 (1) Regulations may make provision about—
- (a) the appointment of the chairman and other members of a Primary Care Trust (including any conditions to be fulfilled for appointment),
 - (b) the tenure of office of the chairman and other members of a trust (including the circumstances in which they cease to hold office or may be removed or suspended from office),
 - (c) how many persons may be appointed as members of a trust and how many of those members may be officers (a minimum and maximum number may be specified for both purposes),
 - (d) the appointment and constitution of any committees of a trust (which may include or consist of persons who are not members of the trust),
 - (e) the appointment and tenure of office of the members of any committees of a trust,
 - (f) the procedure to be followed by a trust, and by any committee of the trust, in the exercise of its functions,
 - (g) the circumstances in which a person who is not an officer of the trust is to be treated as if he were such an officer.
- (2) The power to make provision under paragraphs (c) and (f) of sub-paragraph (1) above includes power to make regulations about the number of persons who may be appointed and the procedure to be followed during the preparatory period.
- (3) Any regulations under this paragraph may, in particular, make provision to deal with cases where the post of any officer of a Primary Care Trust is held jointly by two or more persons or where the functions of such an officer are in any other way performed by more than one person.

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- 6 Any reference in this Part of this Schedule to a committee of a Primary Care Trust includes a reference to sub-committees of, and joint committees and joint sub-committees including, the trust.
- 7 The validity of any proceedings of a Primary Care Trust, or of any of its committees, shall not be affected by any vacancy among the members or by any defect in the appointment of any member.

Staff

- 8 A Primary Care Trust may employ officers, and on such terms and conditions, as it thinks fit.
- 9 (1) Without prejudice to the generality of section 17 above the Secretary of State may direct a Primary Care Trust—
- (a) to make the services of any of its officers available to another Primary Care Trust, or
 - (b) to employ any person who is or was employed by another Primary Care Trust and is specified in the direction.
- (2) Before he gives a direction under sub-paragraph (1) above the Secretary of State shall—
- (a) consult the person whose services are to be made available or who is to be employed,
 - (b) satisfy himself that the trust has consulted that person, or
 - (c) consult such body as he may recognise as representing that person.
- (3) Sub-paragraph (2) above does not apply in relation to a direction under sub-paragraph (1)(a) above if the Secretary of State—
- (a) considers it necessary to give the direction for the purpose of dealing temporarily with an emergency, and
 - (b) has previously consulted bodies recognised by him as representing the person whose services are to be made available about the giving of directions for that purpose.
- 10 In addition to making provision in relation to Health Authorities and Special Health Authorities, regulations under paragraph 10(2) of Schedule 5 to this Act may also provide—
- (a) for the transfer of officers from one Primary Care Trust to another, and
 - (b) for arrangements under which the services of officers of a Primary Care Trust are placed at the disposal of another Primary Care Trust or a local authority.

Remuneration, pensions etc

- 11 (1) A Primary Care Trust may pay the chairman and any other members of the trust such remuneration and such travelling and other allowances as may be determined by the Secretary of State.
- (2) A trust may pay its officers such remuneration and allowances as it may determine.
- (3) A trust may pay the chairman or any person who has been chairman of the trust such pension, allowance or gratuity as may be determined by the Secretary of State.
- (4) A trust may pay the members of any committee of a trust such travelling and other allowances as may be determined by the Secretary of State.

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- (5) If, when a person ceases to be chairman of a trust, the Secretary of State determines that there are special circumstances which make it right that that person should receive compensation, the trust shall pay to him a sum by way of compensation of such amount as the Secretary of State may determine.

PART III

POWERS AND DUTIES

General powers

- 12 (1) A Primary Care Trust may do anything which appears to it to be necessary or expedient for the purpose of or in connection with the exercise of its functions.
- (2) That includes, in particular—
- (a) acquiring and disposing of land and other property,
 - (b) entering into contracts,
 - (c) accepting gifts of money, land and other property, including money, land or other property held on trust, either for the general or any specific purposes of the Primary Care Trust or for all or any purposes relating to the health service.
- 13 (1) Any rights acquired, or liabilities (including liabilities in tort) incurred, in respect of the exercise by a Primary Care Trust of any function exercisable by it by virtue of section 16B or 17A above are enforceable by or (as the case may be) against that trust (and no other health service body).
- (2) This paragraph does not apply in relation to the joint exercise of any functions by a Primary Care Trust with another body under section 16B(2)(c) above.

Specific powers

- 14 (1) A Primary Care Trust may conduct, commission or assist the conduct of research.
- (2) A trust may, in particular, make officers available or provide facilities under subparagraph (1) above.
- 15 A Primary Care Trust may—
- (a) make officers available in connection with any instruction provided under section 63 of the ^{M50}Health Services and Public Health Act 1968,
 - (b) make officers and facilities available in connection with training by a university or any other body providing training in connection with the health service.

Specific duties

- 16 (1) As soon as is practicable after the end of each financial year every Primary Care Trust shall prepare a report on the trust's activities during that year and shall send a copy of the report to the Health Authority within whose area the trust's area falls and to the Secretary of State.
- (2) The report shall give details of the measures the trust has taken to promote economy, efficiency and effectiveness in using its resources for the exercise of its functions.

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- (3) A Primary Care Trust shall prepare and send such other reports, and supply such information, to the Health Authority within whose area the trust's area falls or to the Secretary of State as they or, as the case may be, he require.
- 17 Provision must be made by regulations requiring Primary Care Trusts to publicise—
- (a) the trust's audited accounts,
 - (b) the trust's annual reports prepared under paragraph 16 above,
 - (c) any report on the trust's accounts made pursuant to section 8 of the ^{M51}Audit Commission Act 1998 (report of auditor on matter of public interest), and
 - (d) any other document as may be prescribed,
- by taking such steps as may be specified in the regulations.

Status

- 18 A Primary Care Trust is not to be regarded as the servant or agent of the Crown or as enjoying any status, immunity or privilege of the Crown; and a Primary Care Trust's property is not to be regarded as property of, or property held on behalf of, the Crown.

Compulsory acquisition

- 19 (1) A Primary Care Trust may be authorised to purchase land compulsorily for the purposes of its functions by means of an order made by the trust and confirmed by the Secretary of State.
- (2) The ^{M52}Acquisition of Land Act 1981 applies to the compulsory purchase of land under this paragraph.
- (3) No order is to be made by a Primary Care Trust under Part II of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 in respect of any land unless the proposal to acquire the land compulsorily—
- (a) has been submitted to the Secretary of State in the form, and with the information, required by him, and
 - (b) has been approved by him.

Dissolution

- 20 (1) The Secretary of State may, if a Primary Care Trust is dissolved, by order transfer (or provide for the transfer) to himself or to a Health Authority, a Special Health Authority, an NHS trust or another Primary Care Trust any property, rights or liabilities of the dissolved trust.
- (2) If any consultation requirements apply, they must be complied with before the order is made.
- (3) In this paragraph, “consultation requirements” means requirements about consultation contained in regulations.

PART IV

TRANSFER OF PROPERTY

- 21 (1) The Secretary of State may by order (referred to in this paragraph and paragraph 22 below as a transfer order)—

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- (a) transfer (or provide for the transfer of) any of the property, rights and liabilities of a health service authority to a Primary Care Trust,
 - (b) create or impose (or provide for the creation or imposition of) new rights or liabilities in respect of property transferred or retained.
- (2) Any property, rights and liabilities which—
- (a) belong to a health service authority other than the Secretary of State or are used or managed by a Health Authority, and
 - (b) are to be transferred to a Primary Care Trust by or under a transfer order,
- must be identified by agreement between the health service authority (or Health Authority) and the Primary Care Trust or, in default of agreement, by direction of the Secretary of State.
- (3) Where a transfer order transfers (or provides for the transfer of)—
- (a) land held on lease from a third party, or
 - (b) any other asset leased or hired from a third party or in which a third party has an interest,
- the transfer is binding on the third party despite the fact that, apart from this sub-paragraph, the transfer would have required the third party's consent or concurrence.
- (4) In sub-paragraph (3) above, “third party” means a person other than a health service authority.
- (5) In this paragraph and paragraph 22 below, “health service authority” means the Secretary of State, a Health Authority, a Primary Care Trust or an NHS trust.
- 22 (1) Stamp duty is not chargeable in respect of any transfer to a Primary Care Trust effected by or under a transfer order.
- (2) Where it becomes necessary, for the purpose of a transfer by or under a transfer order, to apportion any property, rights or liabilities, the order may contain such provisions as appear to the Secretary of State to be appropriate for the purpose.
- (3) Where a transfer order transfers (or provides for the transfer of) any property or rights to which paragraph 21(3) above applies, the order must contain such provisions as appear to the Secretary of State to be appropriate to safeguard the interests of third parties (within the meaning of that sub-paragraph), including, where appropriate, provision for the payment of compensation of an amount to be determined in accordance with the order.
- (4) A certificate issued by the Secretary of State that—
- (a) any specified property,
 - (b) any specified interest in or right over any property, or
 - (c) any specified right or liability,
- has been vested in a Primary Care Trust by or under a transfer order is conclusive evidence of that fact for all purposes.
- In this sub-paragraph, “specified” means specified in the certificate.
- (5) A transfer order may include provision for matters to be settled by arbitration by a person determined in accordance with the order.
- (6) Paragraph 21 above and this paragraph do not prejudice—
- (a) any existing power of a health service authority to transfer property, rights or liabilities to a Primary Care Trust,

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- (b) the extent of the power conferred by section 126(4) above.

PART V

TRANSFER OF STAFF

- 23 (1) The Secretary of State may by order transfer to a Primary Care Trust any specified description of employees to which this paragraph applies.
- (2) This paragraph applies to employees of—
- (a) a Health Authority,
 - (b) an NHS trust,
 - (c) a Primary Care Trust.
- (3) An order may be made under this paragraph only if any prescribed requirements about consultation have been complied with in relation to each of the employees to be transferred.
- 24 (1) The contract of employment of an employee transferred under paragraph 23 above—
- (a) is not terminated by the transfer, and
 - (b) has effect from the date of the transfer as if originally made between the employee and the Primary Care Trust to which he is transferred.
- (2) Without prejudice to sub-paragraph (1) above—
- (a) all the rights, powers, duties and liabilities of the body from which an employee is transferred under paragraph 23 above under or in connection with his contract of employment shall by virtue of this sub-paragraph be transferred to the Primary Care Trust to which the employee is transferred under that paragraph, and
 - (b) anything done before the date of the transfer by or in relation to the body from which he is so transferred in respect of the employee or the contract of employment shall be deemed from that date to have been done by or in relation to the Primary Care Trust to which he is transferred.
- (3) Sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) above do not transfer an employee's contract of employment, or the rights, powers, duties and liabilities under or in connection with it, if he informs the body from which they would be transferred, or the Primary Care Trust to which they would be transferred, that he objects to the transfer.
- (4) Where an employee objects as mentioned in sub-paragraph (3) above his contract of employment with the body from which he would be transferred shall be terminated immediately before the date on which the transfer would occur; but he shall not be treated, for any purpose, as having been dismissed by that body.
- (5) This paragraph is without prejudice to any right of an employee to which paragraph 23 above applies to terminate his contract of employment if a substantial change is made to his detriment in his working conditions; but no such right shall arise by reason only that, under this paragraph, the identity of his employer changes unless the employee shows that, in all the circumstances, the change is a significant change and is to his detriment.
- 25 (1) Where an employee is to be transferred by an order under paragraph 23 above but is to continue to be employed for certain purposes by the transferor, the order may provide that the contract of employment of the employee shall, on the date on which the employee is transferred, be divided so as to constitute two separate contracts of

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employment between the employee and the transferor and the employee and the Primary Care Trust in question.

- (2) Where an employee's contract of employment is divided as provided under subparagraph (1) above, the order shall provide for paragraph 24 above to have effect in the case of the employee and his contract of employment subject to appropriate modifications.
- 26 Where a Primary Care Trust is dissolved, an order under paragraph 20 above includes power to transfer employees of the trust and the order may make any provision in relation to the transfer of those employees which is or may be made in relation to the transfer of employees under paragraph 23 above."

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M50 1968 c.46.

M51 1998 c.18.

M52 1981 c.67.

SCHEDULE 2

Section 19.

THE COMMISSION FOR HEALTH IMPROVEMENT

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C10 Sch. 2 (except para.2): transfer of functions (1.7.1999) by S.I. 1999/672, art. 2, Sch. 1 (as inserted (30.6.1999) by 1999 c. 8, ss. 66(4)(5)(c), 67(4))

Status

- 1 The Commission is not to be regarded as the servant or agent of the Crown or as enjoying any status, immunity or privilege of the Crown; and the Commission's property is to not to be regarded as property of, or property held on behalf of, the Crown.

General powers

- 2 (1) Subject to any directions given by the Secretary of State, the Commission may do anything which appears to it to be necessary or expedient for the purpose of, or in connection with, the exercise of its functions.
- (2) That includes, in particular—
- (a) acquiring and disposing of land and other property, and
 - (b) entering into contracts.

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General duty

- 3 It is the duty of the Commission to carry out its functions effectively, efficiently and economically.

Membership

- 4 The Commission is to consist of—
- (a) a chairman appointed by the Secretary of State,
 - (b) a member appointed by the National Assembly for Wales who appears to the Assembly to be suited to make the interests of Wales his special care, and
 - (c) other members appointed by the Secretary of State.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C11 Sch. 2 para. 4 modified as to functions (1.7.1999) by S.I. 1999/672, art. 5, Sch. 2 (as inserted (30.6.1999) by 1999 c. 8, ss. 66(4)(6), 67(4))

Appointment, procedure etc

- 5 The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision as to—
- (a) the appointment of the chairman and other members of the Commission (including the number, or limits on the number, of members who may be appointed and any conditions to be fulfilled for appointment),
 - (b) the tenure of office of the chairman and other members of the Commission (including the circumstances in which they cease to hold office or may be removed or suspended from office),
 - (c) the appointment of, constitution of and exercise of functions by committees and sub-committees of the Commission (including committees and sub-committees which consist of or include persons who are not members of the Commission), and
 - (d) the procedure of the Commission and any committees or sub-committees of the Commission (including the validation of proceedings in the event of vacancies or defects in appointment).

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C12 Sch. 2 para. 5 modified as to functions (1.7.1999) by S.I. 1999/672, art. 5, Sch. 2 (as inserted (30.6.1999) by 1999 c. 8, ss. 66(4)(6), 67(4))

- 5A (1) The Secretary of State may direct a Special Health Authority to exercise—
- (a) his function of appointing the chairman and the other members referred to in paragraph 4(c), and

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- (b) any functions conferred on him by regulations under paragraph 5 in relation to the appointment or tenure of office of the chairman and those other members.
- (2) The National Assembly for Wales may direct a Special Health Authority to exercise—
 - (a) its function of appointing the member referred to in paragraph 4(b), and
 - (b) any functions conferred on it by regulations under paragraph 5 in relation to the appointment or tenure of office of that member.
- (3) If the Secretary of State or the Assembly gives such directions, the 1977 Act has effect as if—
 - (a) the directions were directions under section 16D of that Act, and, accordingly,
 - (b) the functions were exercisable by the Special Health Authority under section 16D.

Remuneration and allowances

- 6 (1) The Commission may pay to its chairman, and to any other member of the Commission, such remuneration and allowances as the Secretary of State may determine.
- (2) The Commission may pay to any member of a committee or sub-committee of the Commission such allowances as the Secretary of State may determine.
- (3) If the Secretary of State so determines, the Commission must make provision for the payment of such pension, allowance or gratuities as the Secretary of State may determine to or in respect of a person who is or has been the chairman or any other member of the Commission.
- (4) If the Secretary of State determines that there are special circumstances that make it right for a person ceasing to hold office as chairman of the Commission to receive compensation, the Commission must pay to him such compensation as the Secretary of State may determine.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C13 Sch. 2 para. 6 modified as to functions (1.7.1999) by S.I. 1999/672, art. 5, Sch. 2 (as inserted (30.6.1999) by 1999 c. 8, ss. 66(4)(6), 67(4))

Employees

- 7 (1) There is to be a chief executive of the Commission (to be known as the Director for Health Improvement) who is to be an employee of the Commission and is to be responsible to the Commission for the general exercise of the Commission's functions.
- (2) Subject to sub-paragraph (3), the Director for Health Improvement is to be appointed by the Commission ^{F60}

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- (3) The first Director for Health Improvement is to be appointed by the Secretary of State on such terms and conditions as the Secretary of State may determine.
- (4) The Commission may appoint such other employees as it considers appropriate.
- (5) Employees of the Commission are to be appointed by the Commission on such terms and conditions as the Commission may determine.
- (6) ^{F61}
- (7) ^{F61}

Textual Amendments

- F60** Words in Sch. 2 para. 7(2) repealed (11.7.2003) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), ss. 14(3)(a), 37(2), 42(3), Sch. 9 Pt. 1; S.I. 2003/1580, art. 2(2)(a)(c)
- F61** Sch. 2 para. 7(6)(7) repealed (11.7.2003) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), ss. 14(3)(b), 37(2), 42(3), Sch. 9 Pt. 1; S.I. 2003/1580, art. 2(2)(a)(c)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C14** Sch. 2 para. 7 modified as to functions (1.7.1999) by S.I. 1999/672, art. 5, Sch. 2 (as inserted (30.6.1999) by 1999 c. 8, ss. 66(4)(6), 67(4))

Delegation of functions

- 8 ^{F62}(1) The Commission may arrange for the discharge of any of its functions by
- ^{F63}(a) a committee, sub-committee, member or employee of the Commission, or
 - (b) any other person.]
- ^{F64}(2) If the Commission arranges for the discharge of any function falling within section 20(1A) of this Act by one or more committees or sub-committees of the Commission, the persons by whom those functions are to be discharged are to be known collectively as “the Office for Information on Health Care Performance”.
- (3) If the Commission arranges for the discharge of any function as mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(b), the arrangements may include provision with respect to the payment of remuneration and allowances to, or amounts in respect of, such persons.]

Textual Amendments

- F62** Sch. 2 para. 8 renumbered (11.7.2003) as Sch. 2 para. 8(1) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), ss. 14(4)(a), 42(3); S.I. 2003/1580, art. 2(2)(a)
- F63** Sch. 2 para. 8(1)(a)(b) substituted (11.7.2003) for words by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), ss. 14(4)(b), 42(3); S.I. 2003/1580, art. 2(2)(a)
- F64** Sch. 2 para. 8(2)(3) inserted (11.7.2003) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), ss. 14(4)(c), 42(3); S.I. 2003/1580, art. 2(2)(a)

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Assistance

- 9 (1) The Commission may arrange for such persons as it thinks fit to assist it in the discharge of any of its functions in relation to a particular case or class of case.
- (2) Such arrangements may include provision with respect to the payment of remuneration and allowances to, or amounts in respect of, such persons.

Payments and loans to Commission

- 10 (1) The Secretary of State may make payments out of money provided by Parliament to the Commission of such amounts, at such times and on such conditions (if any) as he considers appropriate.
- (2) The National Assembly for Wales may make payments to the Commission of such amounts, at such times and on such conditions (if any) as it considers appropriate.
- (3) The Secretary of State may make loans out of money provided by Parliament to the Commission on such terms (including terms as to repayment and interest) as he may determine.
- (4) The National Assembly for Wales may make loans to the Commission on such terms (including terms as to repayment and interest) as it may determine.
- (5) The approval of the Treasury is required as to the amount and terms of any loan under sub-paragraph (3).
- (6) Except as provided by sub-paragraphs (3) and (4), the Commission has no power to borrow money.
- (7) The Secretary of State may give directions to the Commission as to the application of any sums received by the Commission under sub-paragraph (1) or (3).
- (8) The National Assembly for Wales may give directions to the Commission as to the application of any sums received by the Commission under sub-paragraph (2) or (4).
- (9) The Commission must comply with any directions under sub-paragraph (7) or (8).

Accounts

- 11 (1) The Commission must keep accounts in such form as the Secretary of State may determine.
- (2) The Commission must prepare annual accounts in respect of each financial year in such form as the Secretary of State may determine.
- (3) The Commission must send copies of the annual accounts to the Secretary of State and the Comptroller and Auditor General within such period after the end of the financial year to which the accounts relate as the Secretary of State may determine.
- (4) The Comptroller and Auditor General must examine, certify and report on the annual accounts and must lay copies of the accounts and of his report before Parliament.

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- (5) In this paragraph “financial year” means—
- (a) the period beginning with the date on which the Commission is established and ending with the next 31st March following that date; and
 - (b) each successive period of twelve months ending with 31st March.

Reports and other information

- 12 (1) As soon as possible after the end of each financial year, the Commission must make a report to the Secretary of State on [^{F65}the way in which the Commission has exercised its functions] during the year.
- [^{F66}(1A) As soon as possible after the end of each financial year, the Commission must also make a report to the Secretary of State and the National Assembly for Wales on what it has found in relation to NHS bodies and service providers in the course of exercising its functions during the year.
- (1B) The Secretary of State must lay before Parliament any reports he receives under subparagraphs (1) and (1A).
- (1C) The National Assembly for Wales must publish any report it receives under subparagraph (1A).]
- (2) The Commission must provide the Secretary of State with such reports and information relating to the exercise of its functions as he may from time to time require.
- (3) In this paragraph “financial year” has the meaning given by paragraph 11(5).

Textual Amendments

- F65** Words in Sch. 2 para. 12(1) substituted (11.7.2003) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\), ss. 14\(5\)\(a\), 42\(3\)](#); S.I. 2003/1580, [art. 2\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- F66** Sch. 8 para. 12(1A)-(1C) inserted (11.7.2003) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\), ss. 14\(5\)\(b\), 42\(3\)](#); S.I. 2003/1580, [art. 2\(2\)\(a\)](#)

Application of seal and evidence

- 13 The application of the seal of the Commission must be authenticated by the signature—
- (a) of any member of the Commission, or
 - (b) of any other person who has been authorised by the Commission (whether generally or specially) for that purpose.
- 14 A document purporting to be duly executed under the seal of the Commission or to be signed on its behalf is to be received in evidence and, unless the contrary is proved, taken to be so executed or signed.

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Miscellaneous amendments

- 15 In Schedule 1 to the ^{M53}Public Records Act 1958 (definition of public records), the following entry is inserted at the appropriate place in Part II of the Table at the end of paragraph 3—

“Commission for Health Improvement.”

Commencement Information

I39 Sch. 2 para. 15 partly in force; Sch. 2 para. 15 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 68; Sch. 2 para. 15 in force for E.W. on 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(b), Sch. 2; Sch. 2 para. 15 in force for G.B. on 11.5.2001 by S.I. 2001/1985, art. 2(3)(a)

Marginal Citations

M53 1958 c.51.

- 16 In the Schedule to the ^{M54}Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (bodies to which the Act applies), after paragraph (bb) of paragraph 1 there is inserted—

“(bc) the Commission for Health Improvement”.

Commencement Information

I40 Sch. 2 para. 16 wholly in force; Sch. 2 para. 16 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 68; Sch. 2 para. 16 in force for E.W. on 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(b), Sch. 2; Sch. 2 para. 16 in force for G.B. on 11.5.2001 by S.I. 2001/1985, art. 2(3)(a)

Marginal Citations

M54 1960 c.67.

- 17 In the ^{M55}Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1967, in Schedule 2 (departments and authorities subject to investigation), the following entry is inserted at the appropriate place—

“Commission for Health Improvement.”

Commencement Information

I41 Sch. 2 para. 17 partly in force; Sch. 2 para. 17 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 68; Sch. 2 para. 17 in force for E.W. on 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(b), Sch. 2; Sch. 2 para. 17 in force for G.B. on 11.5.2001 by S.I. 2001/1985, art. 2(3)(b)

Marginal Citations

M55 1967 c.13.

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- 18 In the ^{M56}House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975, in Part II of Schedule 1 (bodies of which all members are disqualified), the following entry is inserted at the appropriate place—

“The Commission for Health Improvement”.

Commencement Information

I42 Sch. 2 para. 18 partly in force; Sch. 2 para. 18 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 68; Sch. 2 para. 18 in force for E.W. on 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(b), Sch. 2; Sch. 2 para. 18 in force for G.B. on 11.5.2001 by S.I. 2001/1985, art. 2(3)(b)

Marginal Citations

M56 1975 c.24.

- 19 In the ^{M57}Northern Ireland Assembly Disqualification Act 1975, the same entry as is set out in paragraph 18 is inserted at the appropriate place in Part II of Schedule 1.

Commencement Information

I43 Sch. 2 para. 19 partly in force; Sch. 2 para. 19 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 68; Sch. 2 para. 19 in force for E.W. on 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(b), Sch. 2; Sch. 2 para. 19 in force for G.B. on 11.5.2001 by S.I. 2001/1985, art. 2(3)(b)

Marginal Citations

M57 1975 c.25.

[^{F67}SCHEDULE 2A

SECTION 31 ARRANGEMENTS: TRANSFER OF STAFF]

Textual Amendments

F67 Sch. 2A inserted (1.8.2001 for E. and 1.11.2004 for W.) by 2001 c. 15, ss. 48(4), 70(2), Sch. 4 (with ss. 64(a), 55(4)); S.I. 2001/2804, art. 2(1); S.I. 2004/1754, art. 2(2)(a)

Application of Schedule

- 1 This Schedule applies where, under any arrangements under regulations under section 31, any functions of a body (“the transferor”) are to be exercised by another body (“the transferee”).

Orders transferring staff

- 2 (1) The Secretary of State may by order transfer to the transferee any specified description of employees of the transferor.

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- (2) An order may be made under this paragraph only if any prescribed requirements about consultation have been complied with in relation to each of the employees to be transferred.
- (3) In sub-paragraph (2) “prescribed requirements” means requirements prescribed for the purposes of that sub-paragraph by regulations made by the Secretary of State.

Effect of order on contracts of employment

- 3 (1) The contract of employment of an employee transferred by an order under paragraph 2—
- (a) is not terminated by the transfer, and
 - (b) has effect from the date of the transfer as if originally made between the employee and the transferee.
- (2) Without prejudice to sub-paragraph (1)—
- (a) all the rights, powers, duties and liabilities of the transferor under or in connection with the employee’s contract of employment shall by virtue of this sub-paragraph be transferred to the transferee, and
 - (b) anything done before the date of the transfer by or in relation to the transferor in respect of the employee or his contract of employment shall be deemed from that date to have been done by or in relation to the transferee.
- (3) Sub-paragraphs (1) and (2) do not transfer an employee’s contract of employment, or the rights, powers, duties and liabilities under or in connection with it, if he informs the transferor or the transferee that he objects to the transfer.
- (4) Where an employee objects as mentioned in sub-paragraph (3), his contract of employment with the transferor shall be terminated immediately before the date on which the transfer would occur; but he shall not be treated, for any purpose, as having been dismissed by that body.
- (5) This paragraph is without prejudice to any right of an employee transferred by an order under paragraph 2 to terminate his contract of employment if a substantial change is made to his detriment in his working conditions; but no such right shall arise by reason only that, under this paragraph, the identity of his employer changes unless the employee shows that, in all the circumstances, the change is a significant change and is to his detriment.

Effect of order on pension rights

- 4 (1) An order under paragraph 2 may provide that, in the case of an employee of any specified description who is transferred by the order, paragraph 3 shall not apply in relation to—
- (a) so much of the employee’s contract of employment as relates to relevant pension provisions, or
 - (b) any rights, powers, duties or liabilities under or in connection with that contract, or otherwise arising in connection with the employee’s employment, and relating to such provisions.
- (2) If an order under paragraph 2 provides as mentioned in sub-paragraph (1), the order may in relation to any such employee make such provision (if any) as the Secretary

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of State considers appropriate with respect to all or any of the matters mentioned in paragraphs (a) and (b) of that sub-paragraph.

- (3) The provision which may be made by virtue of sub-paragraph (2) includes provision—
- (a) for any such employee’s contract of employment with the transferee to have effect with any specified modifications;
 - (b) for relevant pension provisions of any specified description to have effect in the case of any such employee with any such modifications.
- (4) In this paragraph “relevant pension provisions” means the provisions of an occupational pension scheme within the meaning of the Pension Schemes Act 1993 (c. 48), with the exception (if the order under paragraph 2 so provides) of any provisions of such a scheme falling within a description specified in the order.

Divided employments

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- (1) Where an employee is to be transferred by an order under paragraph 2 but is to continue to be employed for certain purposes by the transferor, the order may provide that the contract of employment of the employee shall, on the date on which the employee is transferred, be divided so as to constitute two separate contracts of employment between the employee and the transferor and between the employee and the transferee.
- (2) Where an employee’s contract of employment is divided as provided under sub-paragraph (1)—
- (a) the order shall provide for paragraph 3 to have effect in the case of the employee and his contract of employment subject to appropriate modifications; and
 - (b) paragraph 4 shall similarly apply only so far as appropriate in connection with the employee’s employment by the transferee.

SCHEDULE 3

Section 60.

REGULATION OF HEALTH CARE AND ASSOCIATED PROFESSIONS

Matters generally within the scope of the Orders

- 1 An Order may make provision, in relation to any profession, for any of the following matters (among others)—
- (a) the establishment and continuance of a regulatory body,
 - (b) keeping a register of members admitted to practice,
 - (c) education and training before and after admission to practice,
 - (d) privileges of members admitted to practice,
 - (e) standards of conduct and performance,
 - (f) discipline and fitness to practise,
 - (g) investigation and enforcement by or on behalf of the regulatory body,
 - (h) appeals,
 - (j) default powers exercisable by a person other than the regulatory body.

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Manner of exercise of power

2 (1) The power to make an Order may be exercised by amending or repealing any enactment (whether or not mentioned in section 60) or prerogative instrument and any other instrument or document.

[^{F68}(2) But (subject to paragraph 12) an order may not amend the Medicines Act 1968 except in connection with the regulation of the profession regulated by the Pharmacy Act 1954.]

Textual Amendments

F68 Sch. 3 para. 2(2) substituted (1.10.2002) for Sch. 3 para. 2(2)(3) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\), s. 35; S.I. 2002/2478, art. 5](#) (with transitional provisions in art. 4)

3 The power may be exercised so as to make provision for the delegation of functions, including provision conferring power to make, confirm or approve subordinate legislation.

4 The power may be exercised so as to make provision for the charging of fees.

5 The power may be exercised so as to—
 (a) confer functions (including power to pay grants) on Ministers of the Crown, the Scottish Ministers or the National Assembly for Wales, or
 (b) modify their functions.

6 The power may not be exercised so as to create any criminal offence, except an offence punishable on summary conviction with a fine not exceeding the amount specified as level 5 on the standard scale.

Matters outside the scope of the Orders

7 (1) An Order may not abolish the regulatory body of any profession to which section 60(2)(a) applies, any regulatory body established by an Order as the successor to the Council for Professions Supplementary to Medicine or the United Kingdom Central Council for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting or any other regulatory body established by an Order.

(2) An Order may not impose any requirement which would have the effect that a majority of the members of the regulatory body of any profession would be persons not included in the register of members admitted to practice.

(3) An Order may not provide for any function conferred on the Privy Council, in relation to any profession to which section 60(2)(a) applies, to be exercised by a different person.

[^{F69}(4) An Order may not confer any additional powers of direction over the Council for the Regulation of Health Care Professionals.]

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Textual Amendments

F69 Sch. 3 para. 7(4) inserted (1.4.2003) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\)](#), [s. 26\(10\)](#); S.I. 2002/2202, [art. 2\(3\)\(b\)](#)

- 8 (1) Where an enactment provides, in relation to any profession, for any function mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) to be exercised by the regulatory body or any of its committees or officers, an Order may not provide for any person other than that regulatory body or any of its committees or officers to exercise that function.
- (2) The functions are—
- (a) keeping the register of members admitted to practice,
 - (b) determining standards of education and training for admission to practice,
 - (c) giving advice about standards of conduct and performance,
 - (d) administering procedures (including making rules) relating to misconduct, unfitness to practise and similar matters.
- (3) ^{F70}

Textual Amendments

F70 Words in [Sch. 3 para. 8\(3\)](#) omitted by virtue of [The Nursing and Midwifery Order 2001 \(S.I. 2002/253\)](#), [art. 54\(3\)](#), [Sch. 5 para. 16\(b\)](#) (with savings in [art. 3\(18\)](#) and transitional provisions in [art. 54\(1\)](#), [Sch. 2](#)) (the amendment coming into force in accordance with [art. 1\(2\)\(3\)](#) of the amending S.I.); [Sch. 3 para. 8\(3\)](#) omitted by virtue of [The Health Professions Order 2001 \(S.I. 2002/254\)](#), [art. 48\(3\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 8\(b\)](#) (with savings in [art. 3\(19\)](#) and transitional provisions in [art. 48\(1\)](#), [Sch. 2](#)) (the amendment coming into force in accordance with [art. 1\(2\)\(3\)](#) of the amending S.I.)

Preliminary procedure for making Orders

- 9 (1) If it is proposed to lay a draft of an Order before Parliament, the Secretary of State must first—
- (a) publish a draft of an Order, and
 - (b) invite representations to be made to him about the draft by persons appearing to him appropriate to represent the profession to be regulated, persons appearing to him appropriate to represent those provided with services by the profession and any other persons appearing to him appropriate to consult about the draft.
- (2) After the end of the period of three months beginning with the publication of the draft, he may lay the draft as published, or that draft with any modifications he considers appropriate, together with a report about the consultation before Parliament.
- (3) If any provision of a draft would, if it were included in an Act of the Scottish Parliament, be within the legislative competence of that Parliament—
- (a) the Secretary of State's duty under sub-paragraph (1) must be performed also by the Scottish Ministers, and
 - (b) sub-paragraph (4) shall apply instead of sub-paragraph (2).

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- (4) After the end of the period of three months beginning with the publication of the draft, the draft as published, or that draft with any modifications which the Secretary of State and the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate, may be laid before Parliament and the Scottish Parliament together with a report made by the Secretary of State and the Scottish Ministers about the consultation.

Interpretation and application

- 10 In this Schedule—
- “Order” means an Order in Council under section 60,
- “regulatory body”, in relation to any profession, means the body (or main body) responsible for the regulation of the profession,
- and other expressions used in this Schedule and in the 1977 Act have the same meaning in this Schedule as in that Act.
- 11 (1) The powers conferred by section 60 may be exercised so as to regulate a profession which is not regulated by any enactment (whether established before or after the passing of this Act).
- (2) References to regulation, in relation to a profession, in that section and this Schedule include—
- (a) the regulation of persons seeking admission to practice or who were, but are no longer, allowed to practise as members of the profession,
 - (b) the regulation of activities carried on by persons who are not members of the profession but which are carried on in connection with the practice of the profession,
 - (c) in the case of the profession of medical practitioner, the regulation of the qualifications or experience required for a medical practitioner to provide, or assist in the provision of, general medical services under the 1977 Act,
 - (d) in the case of the profession of dental practitioner, the regulation of the qualifications or experience required for a dental practitioner to provide, or assist in the provision of, general dental services under the 1977 Act.
- (3) In sub-paragraph (2)(c), the reference to the provision of general medical services includes the performance of personal medical services and the reference to the 1977 Act includes arrangements under section 28C of that Act.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C15 Sch. 3 para. 11(3) restricted (14.3.2000) by S.I. 2000/779, art. 2(2)

Commencement Information

I44 Sch. 3 para. 11 wholly in force, see s. 67(1) and S.I. 2000/779, art. 2(1)

- 12 (1) The powers conferred by section 60 extend to the regulation of—
- (a) the profession regulated by the ^{M58}Pharmacy (Northern Ireland) Order 1976, and

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- (b) activities carried on by persons who are not members of that profession but which are carried on in connection with the practice of that profession, only in relation to the matters dealt with in sections 80 to 83 of the ^{M59}Medicines Act 1968.
- (2) But an Order may not provide for any function conferred by any of those sections on the Statutory Committee to be exercised, in relation to Northern Ireland, otherwise than by the committee appointed under Article 19 of the Pharmacy (Northern Ireland) Order 1976.

Marginal Citations

M58 S.I. 1976/1213 (N.I.22).

M59 1968 c.67.

SCHEDULE 4

Section 65.

AMENDMENTS OF ENACTMENTS

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C16 Sch. 4: transfer of functions (1.7.1999) by S.I. 1999/672, art. 2, **Sch. 1** (as inserted (30.6.1999) by 1999 c. 8, ss. **66(4)(5)(c)**, 67(4))

Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (c. 67)

- 1 In the Schedule to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (bodies to which the Act applies), after paragraph (g) of paragraph 1 there is inserted—
“(gg) Primary Care Trusts”.

Commencement Information

I45 Sch. 4 para. 1 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 1 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1), Sch. 4 para. 1 in force for S. at 1.10.1999 by S.S.I. 1999/90, art. 2(b); Sch. 4 para. 1 in force for E. at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), **Sch. 2**

National Health Service Act 1966 (c. 8)

- 2 Section 10 of the National Health Service Act 1966 (modification of prohibition of full-time salaried practitioner service) is omitted (and, accordingly, section 29(4) of the 1977 Act and section 19(3) of the 1978 Act continue to have effect).

Commencement Information

I46 Sch. 4 para. 2 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 2 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 2 in force (S.) at 1.10.1999 by S.S.I. 1999/90, art. 2(b)

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Health Services and Public Health Act 1968 (c. 46)

- 3 In section 63 of the Health Services and Public Health Act 1968 (instruction of Health Authority employees and others)—
- (a) in subsection (1)(a), for “or Special Health Authority or a Health Board” there is substituted “ Special Health Authority, Health Board or Primary Care Trust ”,
 - (b) in subsection (5A), for “or Special Health Authority” in both places there is substituted “ Special Health Authority or Primary Care Trust ”,
 - (c) in subsection (5B), after “Special Health Authorities” there is inserted—
 “(bb) Primary Care Trusts”.

Commencement Information

I47 Sch. 4 para. 3 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 3 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 3 in force for E. at 4.1.2000 by [S.I. 1999/2342](#), art. 2(3)(a), **Sch. 2**

The 1977 Act

- 4 The 1977 Act is amended as follows.

Commencement Information

I48 [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) partly in force; [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.9.1999 by [S.I. 1999/2342](#), art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**; [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.11.1999 by [S.I. 1999/2793](#), art. 2(1)(a), **Sch. 1**; [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.11.1999 by [S.I. 1999/3184](#) (W. 42), art. 2(1), Sch. 1; [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.1999 by [S.I. 1999/3184](#) (W. 42), art. 2(2), Sch. 2; [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 4.1.2000 by [S.I. 1999/2342](#), art. 2(3)(a), **Sch. 2**; [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 4.1.2000 by [S.I. 1999/2540](#), art. 2(2); [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.4.2000 by [S.I. 1999/2342](#), art. 2(4)(a), **Sch. 3**; [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) in force for certain purposes (E.W.) at 1.4.2000 by [S.I. 1999/2793](#), art. 2(3)(a), **Sch. 3**; [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.4.2000 by [S.I. 1999/2793](#), art. 2(3)(a), **Sch. 3**; [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.4.2000 by [S.I. 2000/1026](#), art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**; [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.2000 by [S.I. 2000/2991](#), art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**; [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.1.2001 by [S.I. 2000/2991](#), art. 2(2), **Sch. 2**; [Sch. 4 para. 4](#) in force for certain purposes for E. at 1.8.2004 by [S.I. 2004/1859](#), art. 4

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Textual Amendments

F71 [Sch. 4 para. 5](#) repealed (1.10.2002) by [National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 \(c. 17\)](#), ss. 37, 42(3)(4), **Sch. 8 para. 31**, **Sch. 9 Pt. 3**; [S.I. 2002/2478](#), art. 3(1)(e)(f) (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4); [S.I. 2002/2532](#), art. 2, **Sch.**

- 6 In section 11 (Special Health Authorities), for subsection (1) there is substituted—

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“(1) The Secretary of State may by order establish special bodies for the purpose of exercising any functions which may be conferred on them by or under this Act.”

Commencement Information

I49 Sch. 4 para. 6 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 6 in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 6 in force (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2

7 In section 12 (supplementary provisions for sections 8 and 11), subsection (1) is omitted.

Commencement Information

I50 Sch. 4 para. 7 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 7 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 7 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 7 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)

8 In section 15 (duty of Health Authority in relation to family health services), subsections (1B) to (1D) are omitted.

Commencement Information

I51 Sch. 4 para. 8 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 8 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 8 in force (E.) at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 8 in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 2000/1026, art. 2(1), Sch.; Sch. 4 para. 8 in force for E. at 1.8.2004 as far as not already in force by S.I. 2004/1859, art. 4; Sch. 4 para. 8 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)

9 For section 16 (exercise of functions) there is substituted—

“16 Exercise of functions by Health Authorities and Special Health Authorities.

- (1) This subsection applies to functions which are exercisable by a Health Authority under or by virtue of this Act (including this section), the ^{M60}National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 or any prescribed provision of any other Act.
- (2) Regulations may provide for any functions to which subsection (1) above applies to be exercised—
 - (a) by another Health Authority,

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- (b) by a Special Health Authority, or
 - (c) jointly with any one or more of the following: Primary Care Trusts and other Health Authorities.
- (3) Regulations may provide for any functions which are exercisable by a Special Health Authority under section 16D below to be exercised—
- (a) by another Special Health Authority, or
 - (b) jointly with one or more other Special Health Authorities.
- (4) Regulations may provide—
- (a) for any functions to which subsection (1) above applies to be exercised, on behalf of the Health Authority by whom they are exercisable, by a committee, sub-committee or officer of the Health Authority,
 - (b) for any functions which, under section 16D below or this section, are exercisable by a Special Health Authority to be exercised, on behalf of that authority, by a committee, sub-committee or officer of the authority,
 - (c) for any functions exercisable jointly under subsection (2)(c) or (3) (b) above to be exercised, on behalf of the health service bodies in question, by a joint committee or joint sub-committee.”

Commencement Information

I52 Sch. 4 para. 9 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 9 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 9 in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 9 in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 9 in force (E.) insofar as not already in force at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 9 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)

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M60 1990 c.19.

10 After section 16B there is inserted—

“16C Advice for Health Authorities and Primary Care Trusts.

- (1) Every Health Authority shall make arrangements with a view to securing that they receive advice appropriate for enabling them effectively to exercise the functions exercisable by them from persons with professional expertise relating to the physical or mental health of individuals.
- (2) This section applies to Primary Care Trusts as it applies to Health Authorities.”

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I53 Sch. 4 para. 10 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 10 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 10 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 10 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)

- 11 In section 26 (supply of goods and services by Secretary of State)—
- (a) in subsection (1)(b), after “by him” there is inserted “ or by a Primary Care Trust ” and for “or Special Health Authority” there is substituted “ Special Health Authority or Primary Care Trust ”,
 - (b) in subsection (3), for “or Special Health Authority” (in both places) there is substituted “ Special Health Authority or Primary Care Trust ”,
 - (c) in subsection (4)(b), for “or Special Health Authorities” there is substituted “ Special Health Authorities or Primary Care Trusts ”.

Commencement Information

I54 Sch. 4 para. 11 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 11 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 11 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 11 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)

- 12 (1) Section 27 (conditions of supply under section 26) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (1), for “or Special Health Authority” (in both places) there is substituted “ Special Health Authority or Primary Care Trust ”.
- (3) In subsection (3)—
- (a) for “and Special Health Authorities”, in the first place where the words appear, there is substituted “ Special Health Authorities and Primary Care Trusts ”,
 - (b) the words from “and it shall” to the end are omitted.

Commencement Information

I55 Sch. 4 para. 12 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 12 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 12(1) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 12(3)(b) in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 12 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 insofar as not already in force by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 12(1) in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 12(3)(b) in force (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 12 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007

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in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)**

- 13 In section 28 (supply of goods and services by local authorities)—
- (a) in subsection (1), for “and any Special Health Authority” there is substituted “Special Health Authority or Primary Care Trust”,
 - (b) in subsection (3), after “Special Health Authorities” (in both places) there is inserted “Primary Care Trusts”.

Commencement Information

I56 Sch. 4 para. 13 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 13 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 13 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 13 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)**

- 14 (1) Section 28A (power to make payments towards expenditure on community services) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (2), for “An authority to whom” there is substituted “A body to which”.
 - (3) Subsections (4) and (8)(a) are omitted.
 - (4) In subsection (9)—
 - (a) for “expenditure which has been recommended by a joint consultative committee for a payment under this section” there is substituted “the expenditure in respect of which a payment under this section is proposed to be made”,
 - (b) in paragraph (a), for “authority” there is substituted “body”,
 - (c) in paragraph (a), after “subsection (2)” there is inserted “or (2A)”,
 - (d) in paragraph (b), after “subsection (2) above” there is inserted “, or in subsection (2A) above”,
 - (e) for sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii) there is substituted “which conform with the conditions prescribed for payments of that description under subsection (5) above”.

Commencement Information

I57 Sch. 4 para. 14 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 14 not in force at Royal Assent see, s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 14(1)(3)(4)(a)(e) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 14(2)(4)(b) in force (E.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 14 in force (E.) at 1.4.2000 insofar as not already in force by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(3)(c)(i); Sch. 4 para. 14(2)(4)(b) in force (W.) and Sch. 4 para. 14(1)(3)(4)(a)(e) in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.2000 by S.I. 2000/2991, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 14 in force (W.) at 1.1.2001 insofar as not already in force by S.I. 2000/2991, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 14 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance

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with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)**

- 15 In section 28C(4) (personal medical or dental services), for “13” there is substituted “16D”.

Commencement Information

- I58** Sch. 4 para. 15 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 15 in force (E.) at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), **Sch. 1**; Sch. 4 para. 15 in force (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I.1999/3184, art. 2(2), **Sch. 2**

- 16 In section 28D (persons who may provide personal medical or personal dental services)—
- (a) in subsection (1), after paragraph (e) there is inserted—
“**(f)** a Primary Care Trust”,
 - (b) in subsection (2), in paragraph (a) of the definition of “qualifying body”, for “paragraphs (a) to (d)” there is substituted “ paragraph (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f) ”.

Commencement Information

- I59** Sch. 4 para. 16 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 16 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 16 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(2); Sch. 4 para. 16 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)**

- [^{F72}17 In section 29A(3)(b) of the 1977 Act (medical lists), for the words from first “disqualified” to “46” there is substituted “ disqualified for inclusion in the list by, or by virtue of a direction of, the NHS Tribunal ”.]

Textual Amendments

- F72** Sch. 4 para. 17 repealed (*prosp.*) by 2001 c. 15, ss. 67, 70(2), **Sch. 6 Pt. 1** (with ss. 64(a), 65(4))

- 17 In section 29A(3)(b) of the 1977 Act (medical lists), for the words from first “disqualified” to “46” there is substituted “ disqualified for inclusion in the list by, or by virtue of a direction of, the NHS Tribunal ”.
- 18 In section 48 (disqualification provisions in Scotland or Northern Ireland)—
- (a) in paragraph (a), for the words from “services” to “above” there is substituted “ any of the services mentioned in any of the paragraphs of section 46(8) above ”,

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- (b) in paragraph (b), at the beginning there is inserted “in relation to the services in question” and for the words from “a list” to the end there is substituted “ any list and (if also the subject of a declaration under those provisions corresponding to a declaration of unfitness) be treated as if a declaration of unfitness had been made in respect of him. ”
- (2) Where under the conditional disqualification provisions in Scotland or Northern Ireland—
- (a) any conditions are imposed in relation to the provision by any person of any services mentioned in section 46(8) above, or
- (b) any conditions so imposed are varied,
- the Secretary of State may, by a notice in writing given to each Health Authority and to the person in question, impose those conditions in relation to the provision by that person of those services under this Part of this Act.
- (3) A notice under subsection (2) above may make such modifications of the conditions as the Secretary of State considers necessary for them to have the like effect in relation to England and Wales as they have in relation to Scotland or (as the case may be) Northern Ireland, but only if the Secretary of State has previously given the person concerned written notice of the proposed modifications and an opportunity (in accordance with such requirements, if any, as may be prescribed) to make representations about them.
- (4) Conditions imposed by a notice under subsection (2) above shall cease to have effect if the Secretary of State withdraws the notice by giving written notice to the person concerned.
- (5) In this section, “the conditional disqualification provisions in Scotland or Northern Ireland” means any provisions in force in Scotland or Northern Ireland corresponding to sections 46C and (so far as relating to conditional disqualifications) 47 above
- 19 In section 49 (regulations as to sections 46 to 48)—
- (a) in paragraph (c), after “disqualifications” there is inserted “ or conditions ”,
- (b) at the end of that section there is inserted—
- “(2) Regulations under subsection (1)(a) above may in particular provide that, where (apart from the regulations) it would be the duty of the Tribunal to inquire into both an efficiency case and a fraud case in respect of the same person, they may inquire into one case before inquiring into the other and, after proceedings in the first case are finally disposed of, may if they think it appropriate adjourn the other case indefinitely.”
- 20 In section 49A (application for interim suspension)—
- (a) after subsection (1) there is inserted—
- “(1A) A Health Authority may, if they have requested a review of a conditional disqualification on the ground mentioned in section 47(3)(b) or (c) above, at any time before the review is concluded apply to the Tribunal for a direction to be made under subsection (2) below in relation to the person to whom the review relates.”,

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- (b) in subsection (2), for the words from “it” to “patients” there is substituted “ either of the conditions for doing so is satisfied ” and after “in question” there is inserted “ or the case to which the review in question, ”,
- (c) after that subsection there is inserted—
 - “(2A) The conditions for giving such a direction are—
 - (a) that it is necessary to do so in order to protect persons who are, or may be, provided with services under this Part of this Act to which the case in question, or the case to which the review in question, relates,
 - (b) in, or in the case of a review relating to, a fraud case, that unless they do so there is a significant risk that—
 - (i) an act or omission within section 46(7)(a) above will occur, or
 - (ii) the investigation of the case or the review will be prejudiced.”,
 - (d) in subsection (3)(c), for the words from “under” to “engaged in” there is substituted “ of unfitness in relation to ”,
 - (e) in subsection (4), after “case” there is inserted “ or review ”,
 - (f) subsection (5) is omitted,
 - (g) in subsection (6)(a), “prepared under this Part of this Act” is omitted.

21 In section 49B (continuation of suspension pending appeal)—

- (a) for subsection (1) and the preceding sidenote there is substituted—

“49B Suspension pending appeal.

- (1) Where, on disposing of a case under section 46B above, the Tribunal make a national disqualification, they may, if they consider that either of the conditions mentioned in section 49A(2A) above is satisfied, direct that section 49A(3) above shall apply or, if a direction has been given under section 49A(2) above, shall continue to apply to him as respects services of the kind to which the disqualification relates.”,
- (b) in subsection (2), in paragraph (a), for “direction under section 46(2)(b) above” there is substituted “ national disqualification ” and, in paragraph (b), for “that direction” there is substituted “ the disqualification ”,
- (c) in subsection (3), for the words from “direction” to “section 46(2)(c) above” there is substituted “ disqualification which is not coupled with a declaration of unfitness ”,
- (d) subsection (4) is omitted.

22 In section 49D (suspension provisions in Scotland or Northern Ireland), for “46(1)” there is substituted “ 46(8) ”.

23 In section 51 (university clinical teaching and research)—

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- (a) in subsection (2), for “or Special Health Authority” in both places there is substituted “ Special Health Authority or Primary Care Trust ”,
- (b) in subsection (3), after “Special Health Authorities” there is inserted—
 “(bb) Primary Care Trusts”.

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I60 Sch. 4 para. 23 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 23 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 23 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 23 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)**

- 24 Section 65(3) (accommodation and services for private patients: directions) is omitted.

Commencement Information

I61 Sch. 4 para. 24 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 24 in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**; Sch. 4 para. 24 in force (W.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 2000/1026, art. 2(1), **Sch.**

- 25 In section 85 (default powers), after subsection (1)(b) there is inserted—
 “(bb) a Primary Care Trust”.

Commencement Information

I62 Sch. 4 para. 25 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 25 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 25 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 25 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)**

- 26 In section 86 (emergency powers), in paragraph (b), the words from “and it shall” to the end are omitted.

Commencement Information

I63 Sch. 4 para. 26 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 26 in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**; Sch. 4 para. 26 in force (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), **Sch. 2**

- 27 In section 91 (private trusts for hospitals)—
 (a) in subsection (3), for paragraphs (aa) to (b) there is substituted—

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- “(b) where the hospital is managed by, and trustees have been appointed for, an NHS trust or Primary Care Trust, the trustees,
 - (c) where the hospital is managed by an NHS trust or Primary Care Trust and neither paragraph (a) nor paragraph (b) applies, the NHS trust or (as the case may be) Primary Care Trust,
 - (d) in any other case, the Health Authority or Special Health Authority exercising functions of the Secretary of State in respect of the hospital”,
- (b) in subsection (4), “to a trust for a special hospital, or” is omitted.

Commencement Information

I64 Sch. 4 para. 27 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 27 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 27(a) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 27(a) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 27(b) in force (E.W.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 3; Sch. 4 para. 27(a) in force for certain purposes (W.) by S.I. 2000/1026, art. 2(1), Sch.; Sch. 4 para. 27 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)

- 28 In section 92 (further transfers of trust property)—
- (a) in subsection (1A), after “NHS trust” (in both places) there is inserted “ or a Primary Care Trust ”,
 - (b) after subsection (6) there is inserted—
- “(7) Subsection (6) above applies in relation to a Primary Care Trust as it applies in relation to an NHS trust.”

Commencement Information

I65 Sch. 4 para. 28 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 28 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 28 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 28 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)

- 29 In section 96 (trusts: supplementary provisions), after “90 to 95 above” (in both places) there is inserted “ and 96B below ”.

Commencement Information

I66 Sch. 4 para. 29 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 29 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1), Sch. 4 para. 29 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 29 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into

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force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)**

- 30 (1) Section 96A (power of health authorities etc. to raise money) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (5)(b), “on behalf” is omitted.
- (3) After subsection (5A) there is inserted—
- “(5B) Where property—
- (a) is given in pursuance of this section on trust for any purposes of a Primary Care Trust for which trustees have been appointed under section 96B below, and
- (b) those trustees and the Primary Care Trust agree,
- the property may be held, administered and applied by those trustees instead of by the Primary Care Trust.”
- (4) After subsection (10) there is inserted—
- “(11) This section (apart from subsection (5A)) has effect in relation to a Primary Care Trust as it has effect in relation to an NHS trust.”

Commencement Information

I67 Sch. 4 para. 30 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 30 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 30(1) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 30(2) in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 30 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 insofar as not already in force by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 30(1) in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 30(2) in force (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 30 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)**

- 31 (1) Section 97 (public funding of Health Authorities and Special Health Authorities) is amended as follows.
- (2) [^{F73}In subsection (6), after paragraph (b) there is inserted—
- “(bb) the application of sums received by them under section 97C(4) below; or”,
- and accordingly the “or” after paragraph (b) is omitted.]
- (3) Subsection (7) is omitted.
- (4) In subsection (9), after “paid” there is inserted “ to Health Authorities or Special Health Authorities ”.

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Textual Amendments

F73 Sch. 4 para. 31(2) repealed (1.10.2002 for E., 10.10.2002 for W.) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), ss. 37, 42(3)(4), **Sch. 8 para. 31, Sch. 9 Pt. 3**; S.I. 2002/2478, **art. 3(1)(e)(f)** (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4); S.I. 2002/2532, art. 2, **Sch.**

Commencement Information

I68 Sch. 4 para. 31 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 31 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 31(1) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 31(3) in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 31 in force (E.) at 1.4.2000 insofar as not already in force by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(4)(a), Sch. 3; Sch. 4 para. 31(1) in force for certain purposes (W.) and Sch. 4 para. 31(3) in force (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 31 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)**

32 Section 97A(5) (duty to comply with directions) is omitted.

Commencement Information

I69 Sch. 4 para. 32 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 32 in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**; Sch. 4 para. 32 in force (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), **Sch. 2**

33 (1) Section 98 (accounts and audit) is amended as follows.

(2) In subsection (1)—

(a) after paragraph (b) there is inserted—

“(bb) every Primary Care Trust”,

(b) in paragraph (dd), after “1990” there is inserted—

“(ddd) any trustees for a Primary Care Trust appointed in pursuance of section 96B above”.

(3) Before subsection (2A) there is inserted—

“(2AA) Every Primary Care Trust shall send a copy of any accounts it has prepared under subsection (2) above to the Health Authority within whose area the trust’s area falls.”

Commencement Information

I70 Sch. 4 para. 33 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 33 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 33 in force for certain purposes for E. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(4)(a), **Sch. 3**

34 In section 99 (regulation of financial arrangements)—

(a) in subsection (1), after paragraph (b) there is inserted—

“(ba) Primary Care Trusts”,

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- (b) in subsection (3), the words from “and shall be complied with” to the end are omitted.

Commencement Information

I71 Sch. 4 para. 34 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 34 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 34(b) in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 34 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 insofar as not already in force by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 34(b) in force (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2

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Textual Amendments

F74 Sch. 4 para. 35 repealed (1.10.2002 for E., 10.10.2002 for W.) by National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 (c. 17), ss. 37, 42(3)(4), Sch. 8 para. 31, Sch. 9 Pt. 3; S.I. 2002/2478, art. 3(1)(e)(f) (subject to arts. 2(2), 3(3) and with transitional provisions in art. 4); S.I. 2002/2532, art. 2, Sch.

36

In section 122(2) (recovery of charges), “as a simple contract debt” is omitted.

Commencement Information

I72 Sch. 4 para. 36 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 36 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 36 in force (E.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 36 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)

37

(1) Section 126 (orders, regulations and directions) is amended as follows.

(2) In subsection (1)—

- (a) after “virtue of this Act shall” there is inserted “, unless it is a PCT order,”,
(b) in paragraph (b), after “apply to” there is inserted “ an order made under section 28EE(2) above, paragraph 20, 21 or 23 of Schedule 5A to this Act or to ”.

(3) In subsection (3A), after “Secretary of State” there is inserted “ or by a Health Authority ”.

(4) In subsection (3B), for “11 to 17” there is substituted “ 16D to 17B ”.

(5) After subsection (3B) there is inserted—

“(3C) Any person or body to whom directions are given in pursuance of any provision of this Act or Part I of the ^{M61}National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 shall comply with the directions.”

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(6) In subsection (4), for “incidental or supplemental” there is substituted “supplementary, incidental, consequential, transitory, transitional or saving”.

Commencement Information

I73 Sch. 4 para. 37 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 37 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 37(1)(4) in force for certain purposes (E.) and Sch. 4 para. 37(5)(6) in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 37 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 insofar as not already in force by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 37(1) in force for certain purposes (W.) and Sch. 4 para. 37(5)(6) in force (W.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 37(4) in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 37 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)

Marginal Citations

M61 S.I. 1990 c.19.

38 (1) Section 128 (interpretation) is amended as follows.

(2) In subsection (1)—

- (a) in the definition of “health service hospital”, after “or vested in” there is inserted “ a Primary Care Trust or ”,
- (b) after that definition there is inserted—
““high security psychiatric services” has the meaning given by section 4 above”,
- (c) after the definition of “prescribed” there is inserted—
““PCT order” has the meaning given by section 16A above”,
- (d) the definition of “special hospital” is omitted.

(3) After that subsection there is inserted—

“(1A) So far as is necessary or expedient in consequence of a direction under section 16D or 17A above providing for the exercise by a Health Authority, Special Health Authority or Primary Care Trust of a function exercisable by another person, any reference in any enactment, instrument or other document to that other person is to be read as a reference to the Health Authority, Special Health Authority or Primary Care Trust.”

Commencement Information

I74 Sch. 4 para. 38 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 38 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 38(1)(3) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 38(1)(2)(a)(c)(3) in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 insofar as not already in force by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 38(1)(3) in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 38(1) in force for certain purposes (E.W.) and Sch. 4 para. 38(2)(b)(d) in force (E.W.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 3; Sch. 4 para. 38 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007

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in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, **Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)**

- 39 (1) Schedule 5 (Health Authorities and Special Health Authorities) is amended as follows.
- (2) In paragraph 9 (pay and allowances), in sub-paragraph (4), after “sub-committee of” there is inserted “, or joint committee or joint sub-committee including, ”.
- (3) In paragraph 10 (staff), in sub-paragraph (3), the words from “and it shall” to the end are omitted.
- (4) In paragraph 12 (miscellaneous)—
- (a) in paragraph (a), after “sub-committee of” there is inserted “, or joint committee or joint sub-committee including, ”,
- (b) in paragraph (b), for “of an authority” to “and committees and sub-committees” there is substituted “ (and joint committees and joint sub-committees) of (or including) an authority (including any such committees ”.
- (5) For sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 15 (acting as principal), there is substituted—
- “15 (1) Any rights acquired, or liabilities (including liabilities in tort) incurred, in respect of the exercise by an authority of any function exercisable by them by virtue of section 16 or 16D above are enforceable by or (as the case may be) against that authority (and no other health service body).
- (1A) This paragraph does not apply in relation to the joint exercise of any functions by an authority with another body under section 16(2)(c) or (3) (b) above.”

Commencement Information

I75 Sch. 4 para. 39 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 39 in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), **Sch. 1**; Sch. 4 para. 39 in force (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), **Sch. 2**

- 40 ^[F75]In Schedule 7 (Community Health Councils), in paragraph 2 (regulations)—
- (a) in sub-paragraphs (d) and (e), after “Health Authorities” there is inserted “ Primary Care Trusts ”,
- (b) in sub-paragraphs (f) and (g), after “Health Authorities” there is inserted “ and Primary Care Trusts ”.]

Textual Amendments

F75 Sch. 4 para. 40 repealed (20.10.2003 for W. and otherwise prosp.) by Health (Wales) Act 2003 (c. 40, ss. 7(2), 10(2), {Sch. 4}; S.I. 2003/2660, art. 2(1)(iii)

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Commencement Information

I76 Sch. 4 para. 40 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 40 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 40 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2

- 41 In Schedule 9 (NHS Tribunal), in paragraph 5A—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (2)(a), for “section 46” there is substituted “ sections 46 to 46C ”,
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (2)(b), after “disqualification” there is inserted “ conditional disqualification or declaration of unfitness ”,
 - (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(d), for the words from “the application” to the end there is substituted “ section 49A(3) may be made to apply or continue to apply ”.

The 1978 Act

- 42 The 1978 Act is amended as follows.

Commencement Information

I77 Sch. 4 para. 42 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

- 43 In section 9 (local consultative committees)—
- (a) in subsection (5), for “on the provision of services under this Act” there is substituted “ and, where the Secretary of State so directs, an NHS trust on the provision of services under this Act or under a pilot scheme under section 1 of the ^{M62}National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 ”,
 - (b) in subsection (7), after “Health Boards” there is inserted “ or, where the Secretary of State so directs, NHS trusts ” and for “may be prescribed” there is substituted “ the Secretary of State may direct ”.

Commencement Information

I78 Sch. 4 para. 43 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

Marginal Citations

M62 1997 c.46.

- 44 In section 10(4) (Common Services Agency)—
- (a) after “Health Boards” in the first place where it appears there is inserted “ the NHS trusts ”,
 - (b) after “Health Boards” in the second place where it appears there is inserted “ or of the NHS trusts ”,
 - (c) after “Health Boards” in the third place where it appears there is inserted “ or NHS trusts ”.

Commencement Information

I79 Sch. 4 para. 44 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

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- 45 In section 12A(5) (NHS trusts)—
- (a) in paragraph (a), for “and directors” there is substituted “, directors and trustees ”,
 - (b) in paragraph (b), after “directors” there is inserted “, trustees, ”,
 - (c) in paragraph (c), after “directors” there is inserted “ and trustees ”,
 - (d) in paragraph (d), for the words from “director” where it first appears to the end of the paragraph there is substituted “ trustee, to be regarded as an executive director rather than as a trustee ”.

Commencement Information

I80 Sch. 4 para. 45 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

- 46 In section 17A (NHS contracts)—
- (a) in subsection (2)—
 - (i) after paragraph (a) there is inserted—
 - “(aa) Special Health Boards”,
 - (ii) after paragraph (k) there is inserted—
 - “(ka) Primary Care Trusts established under section 16A of the National Health Service Act 1977”,
 - (iii) paragraphs (d) and (j) are omitted,
 - (b) in subsection (3), paragraph (a) and the word “and” following it are omitted.

Commencement Information

I81 Sch. 4 para. 46 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

- 47 In section 17E (personal medical and dental services: regulations), subsection (4) is omitted.

Commencement Information

I82 Sch. 4 para. 47 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

- 48 In section 19A(3)(b) (medical lists), for the words from first “disqualified” to “29” there is substituted “ disqualified for inclusion in the list by, or by virtue of a direction of, the NHS Tribunal ”.

VALID FROM 04/03/2004

- 49 Section 31 (disqualification provisions in England and Wales or Northern Ireland) is renumbered as subsection (1) of that section and—
- (a) in paragraph (a), for the words from “services” to “29(1)” there is substituted “ any of the services mentioned in one of the paragraphs of section 29(8) ”,

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(b) in paragraph (b), at the beginning, there is inserted “in relation to the services in question” and for the words from “a list” to the end there is substituted “any list and (if also the subject of such a declaration under those provisions corresponding to a declaration of unfitness) be treated as if a declaration of unfitness had been made in respect of him”,

(c) after that subsection there is inserted—

“(2) Where under the conditional disqualification provisions in England and Wales or Northern Ireland—

(a) any conditions are imposed in relation to the provision by any person of any of the services mentioned in section 29(8); or

(b) any conditions so imposed are varied,

the Secretary of State may, by a notice in writing given to each Health Board and to the person in question, impose those conditions in relation to the provision by that person of those services under this Part.

(3) A notice under subsection (2) may make such modifications of the conditions as the Secretary of State considers necessary for them to have the like effect in relation to Scotland as they have in relation to England and Wales or (as the case may be) Northern Ireland, but only if the Secretary of State has previously given the person concerned written notice of the proposed modifications and an opportunity (in accordance with such requirements, if any, as may be prescribed) to make representations about them.

(4) Conditions imposed by a notice under subsection (2) shall cease to have effect if the Secretary of State withdraws the notice by giving written notice to the person concerned.

(5) In this section, “the conditional disqualification provisions in England and Wales or Northern Ireland” means any provisions in force in England and Wales or Northern Ireland corresponding to sections 29C and (so far as relating to conditional disqualifications) 30.”

Commencement Information

183 Sch. 4 para. 49 wholly in force for S. at 4.3.2004, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I. 2004/32, art. 2(2)(c)

VALID FROM 31/01/2004

50 Section 32 (regulations as to sections 29 to 31) is renumbered as subsection (1) of that section and—

(a) in paragraph (c) after “disqualification” in both places where it occurs there is inserted “or condition”,

(b) after that subsection there is inserted—

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“(2) Regulations under subsection (1)(a) may in particular provide that, where (apart from the regulations) it would be the duty of the Tribunal to inquire into both an efficiency case and a fraud case in respect of the same person, they may inquire into one case before inquiring into the other and, after proceedings in the first case are finally disposed of, may if they think it appropriate adjourn the other case indefinitely.”

Commencement Information

I84 Sch. 4 para. 50 wholly in force for S. at 4.3.2004; para. 50 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); para. 50 in force at 31.1.2004 for S. for certain purposes and wholly in force for S. at 4.3.2004 by [S.S.I. 2004/32](#), [art. 2\(1\)\(e\)\(2\)\(c\)](#)

VALID FROM 04/03/2004

- 51 In section 32A (applications for interim suspension)—
- (a) after subsection (1) there is inserted—
 - “(1A) A Health Board may, if they have requested a review of a conditional disqualification on the ground mentioned in section 30(3)(b) or (c), at any time before the review is concluded apply to the Tribunal for a direction to be made under subsection (2) in relation to the person to whom the review relates.”,
 - (b) in subsection (2), for the words from “it” to “patients” there is substituted “either of the conditions for doing so is satisfied” and after “in question” there is inserted “ or the case to which the review in question ”,
 - (c) after that subsection there is inserted—
 - “(2A) The conditions for giving such a direction are—
 - (a) that it is necessary to do so in order to protect persons who are, or may be, provided with services under this Part to which the case in question, or the case to which the review in question, relates;
 - (b) in, or in the case of a review relating to, a fraud case, that unless they do so there is a significant risk that—
 - (i) an act or omission within section 29(7)(a) will occur; or
 - (ii) the investigation of the case or the review will be prejudiced.”,
 - (d) in subsection (3)(c), for the words from “under” to “engaged in” there is substituted “ of unfitness in relation to ”,
 - (e) in subsection (4), after “case” there is inserted “ or review ”,
 - (f) subsection (5) is omitted
 - (g) in subsection (6)(a), “prepared under this Part of this Act” is omitted.

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Commencement Information

185 Sch. 4 para. 51 wholly in force for S. at 4.3.2004, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I. 2004/32, art. 2(2)(c)

- 52 In section 32B (continuation of suspension pending appeal)—
(a) for subsection (1) and the preceding sidenote there is substituted—

“32B Suspension pending appeal.

- (1) Where, on disposing of a case under section 29B, the Tribunal make a national disqualification, they may, if they consider that either of the conditions mentioned in section 32A(2A) is satisfied, direct that section 32A(3) shall apply or, if a direction has been given under section 32A(2), shall continue to apply to him as respects services of the kind to which the disqualification relates.”
- (b) in subsection (2), in paragraph (a), for “direction under section 29(2)(b)” there is substituted “ national disqualification ” and, in paragraph (b), for “that direction” there is substituted “ the disqualification ”,
- (c) in subsection (3), for the words from “direction” to “section 29(3)(c)” there is substituted “ disqualification which is not coupled with a declaration of unfitness ”,
- (d) subsection (4) is omitted.

VALID FROM 04/03/2004

- 53 In section 32D (suspension provisions in England and Wales or Northern Ireland), for “29(1)” there is substituted “ 29(8) ”.

Commencement Information

186 Sch. 4 para. 53 wholly in force for S. at 4.3.2004, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I. 2004/32, art. 2(2)(c)

- 54 After section 35 there is inserted—

“35A Interpretation of Part II.

Where, under a direction by the Secretary of State, a Health Board has delegated any of its functions to an NHS trust, any reference in this Part to a Health Board in relation to such a delegated function shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include a reference to an NHS trust.”

Commencement Information

187 Sch. 4 para. 54 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

- 55 In section 85A (financial duties of certain bodies)—

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- (a) in subsection (1), before “85(1)” in both places where it occurs there is inserted “ 85AA(1) or ” and for “85(2)(a)” there is substituted “ 85AA(3) ”,
- (b) in subsection (2), for “Subsection (3) of section 85” there is substituted “ Subsection (9) of section 85AA ”,
- (c) in subsection (3), before “85(1)” there is inserted “ 85AA(1) or ”,
- (d) in subsection (6), in paragraph (c) before “85(1)” there is inserted “ 85AA(1) ” and for “85(2)(a)” there is substituted “ 85AA(3) ”.

Commencement Information

I88 Sch. 4 para. 55 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

- 56 In section 85B(2) (bodies in respect of which schemes for meeting losses and liabilities may be made)—
- (a) the “and” after paragraph (c) is omitted,
 - (b) after paragraph (d) there is inserted “and
 - (e) Special Health Boards”.

Commencement Information

I89 Sch. 4 para. 56 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

- 57 In section 86 (accounts of Health Boards and the Agency), subsections (1A), (1C) and (5) are omitted.

Commencement Information

I90 Sch. 4 para. 57 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

- 58 Section 87D (indicative amounts for doctors’ practices) is omitted.

Commencement Information

I91 Sch. 4 para. 58 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

- 59 In section 102 (state hospitals), for paragraph (b) of subsection (4) there is substituted—
- “(b) A Health Board, a Special Health Board, the Agency or an NHS trust to the extent that power to do so is delegated to the Board, Agency or trust by the Secretary of State.”

Commencement Information

I92 Sch. 4 para. 59 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

- 60 In section 105(7) (orders, regulations and directions), for “incidental or supplemental” there is substituted “ supplementary, incidental, consequential, transitory, transitional or saving ”.

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Commencement Information

193 Sch. 4 para. 60 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

- 61 In section 108(1) (interpretation)—
- (a) in the appropriate place there is inserted—
 - ““goods” includes accommodation”,
 - (b) for the definition of “state hospital” there is substituted—
 - ““state hospital” has the meaning indicated in section 102(2)”.

Commencement Information

194 Sch. 4 para. 61 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

- 62 In Schedule 7A (NHS trusts)—
- (a) for any reference to a non-executive director or to non-executive directors there is substituted a reference to a trustee or, as the case may be, to trustees,
 - (b) in paragraph 16(c), the words from “which purposes shall include” to the end are omitted,
 - (c) in paragraph 22, in sub-paragraph (1), in paragraph (c) the words from “or is within” to the end of the paragraph, and “or Health Authority” are omitted,
 - (d) paragraph 23 is omitted.

Commencement Information

195 Sch. 4 para. 62 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

- 63 (1) Schedule 7B (financial provisions relating to NHS trusts) is amended as follows.
- (2) In paragraph 6 (surplus funds)—
- (a) for “amount standing in the reserves of an NHS trust” there is substituted “sum held by an NHS trust other than a sum held on trust under section 12G”,
 - (b) for “that amount” there is substituted “that sum”.
- (3) For paragraph 7 of that Schedule (investment) there is substituted—
- “7 An NHS trust shall have power to invest money held by it in any investments, including investments which do not produce income, specified in directions made by the Secretary of State with the consent of the Treasury; but nothing in this paragraph applies in relation to money held on trust under section 12G.”
- (4) After that paragraph there is inserted—
- “8 Any direction with respect to—
- (a) the power conferred on an NHS trust by paragraph 1; or
 - (b) the maximum amount which an NHS trust may invest in any investment or class of investment,
- may be given only with the consent of the Treasury.”

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I96 Sch. 4 para. 63 wholly in force for S. at 1.10.1999, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I 1999/90, art. 2(b)

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- 64 In Schedule 8 (the Tribunal), in paragraph 8—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (2)(a), for “section 29” there is substituted “ sections 29 to 29C ”,
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (2)(b), after “disqualification” there is inserted “ conditional disqualification or declaration of unfitness ”,
 - (c) in sub-paragraph (2)(d), for the words from “the application” to the end there is substituted “ section 32A(3) may be made to apply or continue to apply ”.

Commencement Information

I97 Sch. 4 para. 64 wholly in force for S. at 4.3.2004, see s. 67(1) and S.S.I. 2004/32, art. 2(2)(c)

Mental Health Act 1983 (c. 20)

- 65 The Mental Health Act 1983 is amended as follows.

Commencement Information

I98 Sch. 4 para. 65 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 65 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 65 in force for E.W. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 3

- 66 In section 122(1) (provision of pocket money for in-patients in hospital), “special hospitals or other hospitals being” is omitted.

Commencement Information

I99 Sch. 4 para. 66 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 66 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 66 in force for E.W. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 3

- 67 In section 123 (transfers to and from special hospitals)—
- (a) in subsection (1), “in a special hospital” is omitted, after “above)” there is inserted “ in a hospital at which high security psychiatric services are provided ” and for “other special hospital” there is substituted “ other hospital at which those services are provided ”,
 - (b) in subsection (2), for “which is not a special hospital” there is substituted “ at which those services are not provided ”.

Commencement Information

I100 Sch. 4 para. 67 wholly in force for E.W. at 1.4.2000, see s. 67(1) and S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 3

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- 68 In section 134 (correspondence of patients)—
- (a) in subsection (1)(b), for “a special hospital” there is substituted “one at which high security psychiatric services are provided”;
 - (b) in subsection (2), for “in a special hospital under this Act” there is substituted “under this Act in a hospital at which high security psychiatric services are provided”.

Commencement Information

I101 Sch. 4 para. 68 wholly in force for E.W. at 1.4.2000, see s. 67(1) and [S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2\(3\)\(a\), Sch. 3](#)

- 69 (1) Section 145 (interpretation) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (1)—
- (a) after the definition of “Health Authority” there is inserted—
““high security psychiatric services” has the same meaning as in the ^{M63}National Health Service Act 1977,”;
 - (b) the definition of “special hospital” is omitted.
- (3) After that subsection there is inserted—
- “(1AA) Where high security psychiatric services and other services are provided at a hospital, the part of the hospital at which high security psychiatric services are provided and the other part shall be treated as separate hospitals for the purposes of this Act.”

Commencement Information

I102 Sch. 4 para. 69 wholly in force for E.W. at 1.4.2000, see s. 67(1) and [S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2\(3\)\(a\), Sch. 3](#)

Marginal Citations

M63 [S.I. 1977 c.49.](#)

Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1984 (c. 36)

- 70 In section 125(1) (interpretation) of the Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1984, in the definition of “managers of a hospital”, in paragraph (c) after “Health Board” there is inserted “, to a Special Health Board, to an NHS trust ” and after “that Board” there is inserted “, trust ”.

Commencement Information

I103 [Sch. 4 para. 70](#) partly in force; [Sch. 4 para. 70](#) not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); [Sch. 4 para. 70](#) in force (S.) at 1.10.1999 by [S.S.I. 1999/90, art. 2\(b\)](#)

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Hospital Complaints Procedure Act 1985 (c. 42)

71 In section 1 of the Hospital Complaints Procedure Act 1985 (complaints procedures for hospitals managed by health authorities and NHS trusts)—

- (a) in subsection (1), the words from “under” to “functions)” and “for the management of” are omitted and for “are responsible” there is substituted “manage ”,
- (b) in subsection (1A), for “is responsible for the management of” there is substituted “manages ”, “for the management of” is omitted and for “is responsible” there is substituted “manages ”,
- (c) after subsection (1A) there is inserted—

“(1B) It shall also be the duty of the Secretary of State to give to each Primary Care Trust which manages a hospital such directions as appear necessary for the purpose of securing that, as respects each hospital which that Primary Care Trust manages—

- (a) such arrangements are made for dealing with complaints made by or on behalf of persons who are or have been patients at that hospital; and
- (b) such steps are taken for publicising the arrangements so made,

as (in each case) are specified or described in the directions.

(1C) In this section, “directions” means—

- (a) in relation to England and Wales, directions under section 17 of the ^{M64}National Health Service Act 1977,
- (b) in relation to Scotland, directions under section 2(5) of the ^{M65}National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978.”

Commencement Information

I104 Sch. 4 para. 71 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 71 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 71 in force (S.) at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/90, art. 2(b); Sch. 4 para. 71 in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 71 in force for certain further purposes (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 71(a)(b) in force (W.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 2000/1026, art. 2(1), Sch.

Marginal Citations

M64 1977 c.49.

M65 1978 c.29.

Health Service Joint Consultative Committees (Access to Information) Act 1986 (c. 24)

72 The Health Service Joint Consultative Committees (Access to Information) Act 1986 is to cease to have effect.

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Commencement Information

I105 Sch. 4 para. 72 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 72 in force for E. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, **art. 2(3)(c)(ii)**; Sch. 4 para. 72 in force for W. at 1.1.2001 by S.I. 2000/2991, **art. 2(2)**, **Sch. 2**

Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 (c. 1)

- 73 In section 519A(2) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 (health service bodies), after paragraph (aa) there is inserted—
“(ab) a Primary Care Trust”.

Commencement Information

I106 Sch. 4 para. 73 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 73 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 73 in force (E.W.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, **art. 2(4)(b)(i)**; Sch. 4 para. 73 in force insofar as not already in force at 11.5.2001 by S.I. 2001/1985, **art. 2(4)**

The 1990 Act

- 74 The 1990 Act is amended as follows.

Commencement Information

I107 Sch. 4 para. 74 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 74 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 74 in force for certain purposes for E. at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, **art. 2(1)**, **Sch. 1**; Sch. 4 para. 74 in force for certain purposes for E.W. at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, **art. 2(1)(b)**, **Sch. 2**; Sch. 4 para. 74 in force for certain purposes for W. at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, **art. 2(2)**, **Sch. 2**; Sch. 4 para. 74 in force for certain purposes for E. at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, **art. 2(3)(a)**, **Sch. 2**; Sch. 4 para. 74 in force for certain purposes for E.W. at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, **art. 2(3)(b)**; Sch. 4 para. 74 in force for certain purposes for E.W. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, **art. 2(4)(b)**; Sch. 4 para. 74 in force for certain purposes for W. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 2000/1026, **art. 2(1)**, **Sch.**

- ^{x3}75 In section 3(1)(a) (primary functions of Health Authorities and Special Health Authorities), for “11 or 13” there is substituted “ 16D ”.

Editorial Information

X3 Editorial Note: Sch. 4 para. 75 repealed by [The National Health Service \(Pre-consolidation Amendments\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/1407\)](#), **arts. 1(1), 3**, **Sch. 2** (with **art. 4**), the amendment coming into force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 277(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5)) of that Act)

Commencement Information

I108 Sch. 4 para. 75 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 75 in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, **art. 2(1)**, **Sch. 1**; Sch. 4 para. 75 in force (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, **art. 2(2)**, **Sch. 2**

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- 76 In section 4 (NHS contracts)—
- (a) in subsection (2)—
 - (i) after paragraph (b) there is inserted—
 - “(bb) a Primary Care Trust”,
 - (ii) after paragraph (f) there is inserted—
 - “(ff) the Commission for Health Improvement”,
 - (b) in subsections (6) and (7), the words from “and it shall” to the end are omitted.

Commencement Information

I109 Sch. 4 para. 76 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 76(b) in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 76(a)(ii) in force (E.W.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(b), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 76(b) in force (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 76(a)(i) in force (E.W.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(b)(i)

- 77 In section 6 (transfer of staff to NHS trusts)—
- (a) for “or Special Health Authority” in each place there is substituted “ Special Health Authority or Primary Care Trust ”,
 - (b) in subsection (1)(a), after “responsibility of the” there is inserted “ NHS ”.

Commencement Information

I110 Sch. 4 para. 77 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 77 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 77 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 77 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)

- 78 In section 7 (supplementary provisions as to transfer of staff), for “or Special Health Authority” there is substituted “ Special Health Authority or Primary Care Trust ”.

Commencement Information

I111 Sch. 4 para. 78 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 78 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 78 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 78 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)

- 79 (1) Section 8 (transfer of property, rights and liabilities to NHS trust) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (1)—

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- (a) for “such” there is substituted “ any ”,
 - (b) for “Health Authority or Special Health Authority” there is substituted “ Health Authority, Special Health Authority or Primary Care Trust ”,
 - (c) the words from “as, in his opinion,” to the end are omitted.
- (3) In subsections (2), (3) and (5), for “Health Authority or Special Health Authority” there is substituted “ Health Authority, Special Health Authority or Primary Care Trust ”.
- (4) For subsection (6) there is substituted—
- “(6) Any property, rights and liabilities which—
- (a) belong to, or are used or managed by, a Health Authority or Special Health Authority or belong to a Primary Care Trust, and
 - (b) are to be transferred to an NHS trust by or by virtue of an order under this section,
- must be identified by agreement between the Health Authority, Special Health Authority or Primary Care Trust and the NHS trust or, in default of agreement, by direction of the Secretary of State.”

Commencement Information

II12 Sch. 4 para. 79 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 79 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 79(1) in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 79(2)(a)(c) in force (W.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 79 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 79 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)

PROSPECTIVE

- 80 Section 18 (indicative amounts for doctors’ practices) is omitted.
- 81 (1) Section 21 (schemes for meeting losses and liabilities etc. of certain health service bodies) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (2)—
- (a) after “Special Health Authorities” there is inserted—
“(aaa) Primary Care Trusts”,
 - (b) after “NHS trusts” there is inserted—
“(bb) the Commission for Health Improvement”.
- (3) In subsections (3) to (5), after “Special Health Authority” in each place where it appears there is inserted “ Primary Care Trust ”.

Commencement Information

II13 Sch. 4 para. 81 wholly in force; Sch. 4 para. 81 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 81(1)(2)(b) in force (E.W.) at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(b), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 81 (except

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(2)(b) in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 81 in force so far as not already in force immediately before the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (which Act came into force on 1.3.2007 in accordance with s. 227(1) (subject to s. 277(2)-(5) of that Act)) by The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(b)

82 In section 61(3) (health service bodies: taxation), after “1991” there is inserted “ or to a Primary Care Trust ”.

Commencement Information

I114 Sch. 4 para. 82 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 82 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 82 in force for E.W. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(4)(b)(ii)

- 83 (1) Schedule 2 (NHS trusts) is amended as follows.
- (2) In paragraph 3 (matters to be specified in order establishing NHS trust), in sub-paragraph (1)(f), after “which are” there is inserted “ or the Primary Care Trust which is ”.
- (3) In paragraph 4 (making staff available to new NHS trust), for “or Special Health Authority” in both places there is substituted “ Special Health Authority or Primary Care Trust ”.
- (4) In paragraph 6 (duties of NHS trusts)—
- (a) in sub-paragraph (1), the words following “Schedule”, and
 - (b) sub-paragraph (2),
- are omitted.
- (5) In paragraph 13 (bodies with whom NHS trust can exercise functions jointly), after “jointly” there is inserted “ with any Primary Care Trust, ”.
- (6) Paragraphs 19 and 20 (re-imburement for health services work carried out otherwise than under NHS contract) are omitted.
- (7) In paragraph 30 (transfer of property etc. on dissolution of NHS trust), in sub-paragraph (1), after paragraph (bb) there is inserted—
- “(bbb) a Primary Care Trust, or”.

Commencement Information

I115 Sch. 4 para. 83 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 83 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 83(1) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 83(4) in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 83(1) in force for certain further purposes (E.) at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 83(6) in force (E.) at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 83(1) in force for certain purposes (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 83(4) in force (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 83 (except sub-para. (6)) in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 insofar as not already in force by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 83(6) in force (W.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 2000/1026, art. 2(1), Sch. (with art. 2(2))

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- 84 (1) Schedule 3 (financial provisions relating to NHS trusts) is amended as follows.
- (2) In paragraph 6 (surplus funds)—
- (a) for “amount standing in the reserves of an NHS trust” there is substituted “sum held by an NHS trust otherwise than as trustee”,
- (b) for “that amount” there is substituted “that sum”.
- (3) For paragraph 7 (investment) there is substituted—
- “7 An NHS trust shall have power to invest money held by it in any investments, including investments which do not produce income, specified in directions under section 17 of the principal Act; but nothing in this paragraph applies in relation to money held by an NHS trust as trustee”.
- (4) After that paragraph there is inserted—
- “8 Any direction under section 17 of the principal Act with respect to—
- (a) the power conferred on an NHS trust by paragraph 1 above; or
- (b) the maximum amount which an NHS trust may invest in any investments or class of investments,
- may be given only with the consent of the Treasury.”

Commencement Information

II16 Sch. 4 para. 84 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 84 in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 84 in force (W.) at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 2000/1026, art. 2(1), Sch.

Health Service Commissioners Act 1993 (c. 46)

- 85 (1) The Health Service Commissioners Act 1993 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 2 (bodies subject to investigation)—
- (a) in subsection (1), after paragraph (d) there is inserted—
- “(da) Primary Care Trusts established for areas in England”,
- (b) in subsection (2), after paragraph (a) there is inserted—
- “(aa) Primary Care Trusts established for areas in Wales”.
- (3) In section 3 (general remit of Commissioners), subsection (1B) is omitted.
- (4) In section 19 (interpretation), the definitions of “allotted sum” and “recognised fund-holding practice” are omitted.

Commencement Information

II17 Sch. 4 para. 85 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 85 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 85(1) in force for certain purposes at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 85(3) (4) in force for E. at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 85(1)(3)(4) in force for

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S. at 1.10.1999 by [S.S.I. 1999/90, art. 2\(b\)](#); Sch. 4 para. 85(1)(2)(a) in force for E.W. at 4.1.2000 by [S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2\(3\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#); Sch. 4 para. 85(4) in force for W. at 1.4.2000 by [S.I. 2000/1026, art. 2\(1\), Sch.](#)

Value Added Tax Act 1994 (c. 23)

- 86 In section 41(7) (application to Crown), after “1978” there is inserted “ and a Primary Care Trust ”.

Commencement Information

I118 [Sch. 4 para. 86](#) wholly in force at 11.5.2001; [Sch. 4 para. 86](#) not in force at Royal Assent see [s.67\(1\)](#); [Sch. 4 para. 86](#) in force for E.W. at 1.4.2000 by [S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2\(4\)\(b\)\(iii\)](#); [Sch. 4 para. 86](#) in force at 11.5.2001 insofar as not already in force by [S.I. 2001/1985, art. 2\(4\)](#)

National Health Service (Residual Liabilities) Act 1996 (c. 15)

- 87 In section 1 of the National Health Service (Residual Liabilities) Act 1996—
- (a) in subsection (1), after “trust” there is inserted “ a Primary Care Trust ”,
 - (b) in subsection (2), after paragraph (d) there is inserted—
“ (dd) a Primary Care trust ”.

Commencement Information

I119 [Sch. 4 para. 87](#) partly in force; [Sch. 4 para. 87](#) not in force at Royal Assent see [s. 67\(1\)](#); [Sch. 4 para. 87](#) in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by [S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2\(3\)\(a\), Sch. 2](#)

National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 (c. 46)

- 88 (1) The National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 1 (pilot schemes), in subsection (7), after “NHS trust” there is inserted “ and a Primary Care Trust ”.
 - (3) In section 2 (persons who may provide personal medical services under a pilot scheme)—
 - (a) in subsection (2), after paragraph (e) there is inserted—
“ (f) a Primary Care Trust ”,
 - (b) in subsection (3), in the definition of “qualifying body”, for “or (e)” there is substituted “ (e) or (f) ”.
 - (4) In section 3 (persons who may provide personal dental services under a pilot scheme)—
 - (a) in subsection (2), after paragraph (e) there is inserted—
“ (f) a Primary Care Trust ”,
 - (b) in subsection (3), in paragraph (b) of the definition of “qualifying body”, for “or (e)” there is substituted “ (e) or (f) ”.

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- (5) In section 9 (relationship between 1977 Act and 1997 Act)—
- (a) in subsection (1), for “13” there is substituted “ 16D ” and for “functions on his behalf” there is substituted “ his functions ”,
 - (b) in subsection (2)(b), for “13” there is substituted “ 16D ”.
- (6) Sections 14 (returning to fund-holding status) and 19 (fund-holding practices) are omitted.

Commencement Information

I120 Sch. 4 para. 88 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 88 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 88(1) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 88(5) in force (E.) at 1.9.1999 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(1), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 88(1) in force for certain purposes (E.) at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 88(1)(6) in force (E.) at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 88 in force (S.) at 1.10.1999 by S.S.I. 1999/90, art. 2(b); Sch. 4 para. 88(1) in force for certain purposes (W.) at (1.12.1999) by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 88(5) in force (W.) at 1.12.1999 by S.I. 1999/3184, art. 2(2), Sch. 2; Sch. 4 para. 88 (except sub-para. (6)) in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 insofar as not already in force by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2

National Health Service (Private Finance) Act 1997 (c. 56)

- 89 Section 1 of the National Health Service (Private Finance) Act 1997 (powers to enter into externally financed development agreements) applies to Primary Care Trusts as it applies to NHS trusts.

Commencement Information

I121 Sch. 4 para. 89 partly in force; Sch. 4 para. 89 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 89 in force (E.) at 4.1.2000 by S.I. 1999/2342, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 2

Audit Commission Act 1998 (c. 18)

- 90 In section 5 of the Audit Commission Act 1998 (general duties of auditors), in subsection (1)(a), for “(2B) (NHS trusts) or (2B) (fund-holding practices)” substitute “ or (2B) ”.

Commencement Information

I122 Sch. 4 para. 90 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 67(1); Sch. 4 para. 90 in force for E. at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; Sch. 4 para. 90 in force for W. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 2000/1026, art. 2(1), Sch.

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SCHEDULE 5

Section 65.

REPEALS

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I123 Sch. 5 partly in force; Sch. 5 in force at 1.7.1999 for certain purposes, see s. 67(1)(3); Sch. 5 in force for certain purposes for E. at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/2540, art. 2(1)(a), Sch. 1; Sch. 5 in force for certain purposes for S. at 1.10.1999 by S.I. 1999/90, art. 2(c), Sch. 2; Sch. 5 in force for certain purposes for E.W. at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(b), Sch. 2; Sch. 5 in force for certain purposes at 1.11.1999 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(1)(d); Sch. 5 in force for certain purposes for E.W. at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 1999/2793, art. 2(3)(a), Sch. 3; Sch. 5 in force for certain purposes at 1.4.2000 by S.I. 2000/1041, art. 2(d), Sch.; Sch. 5 in force for certain purposes for E.W. at 9.2.2001 by S.I. 2001/270, art. 2(c), Sch.; Sch. 5 in force for certain purposes at 11.5.2001 by S.I. 2001/1985, art. 2(5); Sch. 5 in force for certain purposes at 1.4.2002 by S.I. 2002/1167, arts. 2-5; Sch. 5 in force for certain purposes at 9.7.2003 by S.I. 2003/1689, art. 2(b); Sch. 5 in force for S. for certain purposes at 4.3.2004 by S.S.I. 2004/32, art. 2(2)(d); Sch. 5 in force for certain purposes at 1.8.2004 by S.I. 2004/1859, art. 5; Sch. 5 in force for certain purposes immediately before the coming into force of the National Health Service Act 2006 c. 41 (as to which see s. 227 of that 2006 Act) by virtue of The National Health Service (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/1407), arts. 1(1), 2, Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 6(c)

Chapter	Short title	Extent of repeal
1960 c. 66.	The Professions Supplementary to Medicine Act 1960.	The whole Act.
1966 c. 8.	The National Health Service Act 1966.	Section 10.
1973 c. 65.	The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.	In section 97, in paragraph (a) of subsection (2), subparagraph (iii), subsection (2A) and in subsection (2B) the definitions of “recognised fund-holding practice” and “allotted sum”.
1977 c. 49.	The National Health Service Act 1977.	In section 8(4), the “or” after paragraph (b). Section 12(1). Section 13. Section 15(1B) to (1D). Section 22(2) to (6). In section 27(3), the words following “appropriate”. Section 28A(4) and (8)(a). Section 28E(4).

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In section 44(1), paragraphs (a) and (b) and “the Local Medical Committee, the Local Dental Committee”.

In section 45(2), “(including travelling and subsistence allowances payable to its members)”.

In section 49A, subsection (5) and, in subsection (6)(a), “prepared under this Part of this Act”.

Section 49B(4).

Section 65(3).

In section 86(b), the words following “accordingly”.

In section 91(4), “to a trust for a special hospital, or”.

In section 96A(5)(b), “on behalf”.

In section 97, subsection (2), in subsection (6), “or” after paragraph (b), and subsection (7).

Section 97A(5).

In section 98, the subsection numbered (2B) which was inserted by section 20(2)(b) of the 1990 Act.

In section 99(3), the words following paragraph (b).

In section 122(2), “as a simple contract debt”.

In section 128(1), the definitions of “fund-holding practice” and “special hospital”.

In Schedule 5, in paragraph 10(3), the words following paragraph (c).

In Schedule 15, paragraph 37.

1978 c. 29.

The National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978.

Section 12E(5) and (6).

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		In section 17A, subsection (2) (d) and (j) and, in subsection (3), paragraph (a) and “and” following it.
		Section 17E(4).
		In section 32A, subsection (5) and, in subsection (6)(a), “prepared under this Part of this Act”.
		Section 32B(4).
		Section 86(1A), (1C) and (5).
		Sections 87A to 87D.
		In Schedule 7A, paragraph 6(2), in paragraph 16(c) the words from “which purposes shall include” to the end, in paragraph 22(1), “or Health Authority” and, in paragraph (c), the words following “Health Board” and paragraph 23.
		In Schedule 7B, paragraphs 1(3) to (5), 3(2) and 5(2).
		In Schedule 16, paragraph 22.
1983 c. 20.	The Mental Health Act 1983.	In section 122(1), “special hospitals or other hospitals being”.
		In section 123(1), “in a special hospital”.
		In section 145(1), in the definition of “the managers”, paragraph (b), and the definition of “special hospital”.
1985 c. 42.	The Hospital Complaints Procedure Act 1985.	In section 1, in subsection (1), the words from “under” to “functions)” and “for the management of” and, in subsection (1A), “for the management of”.
1986 c. 24.	The Health Service Joint Consultative Committees (Access to Information) Act 1986.	The whole Act.

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1990 c. 19.	The National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990.	<p>In section 4, subsection (2) (f), in subsection (6), the words following “with;” and, in subsection (7), the words following “dispute;”.</p> <p>In section 5(1), “or, as the case may be, subsection (3)”.</p> <p>In section 8(1), the words from “as, in his opinion” to the end.</p> <p>Section 9(5) and (6).</p> <p>Sections 14 to 18.</p> <p>Section 20(2)(b).</p> <p>Sections 34 and 35.</p> <p>Section 62.</p> <p>In Schedule 2, in paragraph 6, in sub-paragraph (1), the words following “Schedule” and sub-paragraph (2) and paragraphs 19 and 20.</p> <p>In Schedule 3, paragraphs 1(3) to (5), 3(3) and 5(2).</p> <p>In Schedule 7, paragraph 14(3).</p>
1993 c. 46.	The Health Service Commissioners Act 1993.	<p>Section 3(1B).</p> <p>In section 15, subsection (1A) and, in subsection (1B), the words following “patients”.</p> <p>In section 19, the definitions of “allotted sum” and “recognised fund-holding practice”.</p>
1995 c. 17.	The Health Authorities Act 1995.	<p>In Schedule 1, paragraphs 3(a), 4, 6(c) and (d), 34, 50(c), 58(b), 72 to 77 and 85(d).</p> <p>In Schedule 2, paragraph 13(5).</p>
1995 c. 31.	The National Health Service (Amendment) Act 1995.	<p>Section 1.</p> <p>Section 2(2).</p> <p>Section 3.</p>

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		Sections 7 and 9.
1996 c. 5.	The Health Service Commissioners (Amendment) Act 1996.	In Schedule 1, paragraph 6(2) and (7).
1997 c. 24.	The Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Act 1997.	The whole Act.
1997 c. 46.	The National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997.	Section 14. Section 19. In Schedule 2, paragraphs 4(3) and (4), 53 to 55, 65(3) to (10), 69, 71(4), 77 and 78.
1998 c. 18.	The Audit Commission Act 1998.	Section 6(3). In section 53(1), the definitions of “allotted sum” and “recognised fund-holding practice” and, in the definition of “health service body”, paragraph (b) and “or” preceding it. In section 53(3), paragraph (b) and “and” preceding it. In Schedule 2, paragraph 3.

The repeal of section 97(2) of the 1977 Act has effect for the financial year 1999-2000 and subsequent financial years.

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