

These notes refer to the Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003 (c.43) which received Royal Assent on 20 November 2003

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1 – Nhs Foundation Trusts

Introductory

Section 3: General duty of regulator

54. This section requires the Independent Regulator to exercise its functions in a manner that is consistent with the Secretary of State's general duties under the 1977 Act. Amongst other things, the Secretary of State must promote and provide a comprehensive health service in England and provide clinical facilities to universities with medical or dental schools. The Secretary of State must also secure that NHS goods and services are provided free of charge.