*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* 

# HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE (COMMUNITY HEALTH AND STANDARDS) ACT 2003

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

### **Part 1** – Nhs Foundation Trusts

#### Failure

#### Section 23: Failing NHS foundation trusts

100. This section gives the Independent Regulator broad powers where an NHS foundation trust is breaching or has breached obligations under an Act or its authorisation. Under the section, the Independent Regulator may issue a warning notice, and may also require Directors or the Board of Governors to act, or to cease acting, in a particular way. The Independent Regulator also has the power to remove or suspend any or all of the directors and members of the Board of Governors, and appoint directors to act in the interim period.