

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 2 –Standards

Chapter 10 – Supplementary and General

Joint working

Section 121: Reviews and investigations

274. *Subsection (1)* provides for the CHAI and the CSCI to conduct joint reviews and investigations with one another. This will allow for the joint inspection of bodies such as NHS Care Trusts.
275. *Subsection (2)* with *subsection (6)* provides that, without prejudice to any other powers which they may have, (for example by virtue of their general power to do anything which appears to them necessary or expedient in connection with the exercise of their respective functions) the CHAI may conduct a joint review, investigation or study with any other body (for example Audit Commission or the Housing Commission) that is carrying out a review or investigation relating to the functions of an NHS body. *Subsection (3)* makes the same provision for the CSCI where another body is conducting a review, investigation or study of the functions of a local authority. Following a joint review, investigation or study, the CHAI and the CSCI may publish, under *subsections (5)* and *(6)* a report in conjunction with the body they worked with.