

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 3 - Nhs Health Care: Functions of Chai

Healthcare provided by and for NHS bodies

Section 54: Functions relating to the Secretary of State and Assembly

161. *Section 54* places a duty on the CHAI to keep the Secretary of State, in relation to English or cross-border NHS bodies, and the Assembly in relation to Welsh NHS bodies, informed about health care provided by or for NHS bodies.
162. *Subsection (2)* allows for the CHAI, where it considers it timely or appropriate, to give advice to the Secretary of State or the Assembly on any particular changes which it thinks should be made in order to secure improvements in the quality of NHS health care including in relation to the statement of standards referred to in *sections 46* and *47*.