**National Health Service Act 2006**

**2006 CHAPTER 41**

**PART 2**

**HEALTH SERVICE BODIES**

**CHAPTER 3**

**NHS TRUSTS**

**25** NHS trusts

(1) The Secretary of State may by order establish bodies, called National Health Service trusts (“NHS trusts”), to provide goods and services for the purposes of the health service.

(2) An order under subsection (1) is referred to in this Act as “an NHS trust order”.

(3) No NHS trust order may be made until after the completion of such consultation as may be prescribed.

(4) Schedule 4 makes further provision about NHS trusts.

**26** General duty of NHS trusts

An NHS trust must exercise its functions effectively, efficiently and economically.

**27** Financial provisions relating to NHS trusts

Schedule 5 makes provision about the financing of NHS trusts.
**Changes to legislation:**
National Health Service Act 2006, Chapter 3 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 05 February 2020. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

View outstanding changes

### Changes and effects yet to be applied to:
- Pt. 2 Ch. 3 repealed by 2012 c. 7 s. 179(2)

### Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:
Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):
- s. 0000IF(2) words inserted by 2014 c. 23 s. 97(4)(a)
- s. 6BA omitted by S.I. 2019/777 reg. 3(c)
- s. 6BB omitted by S.I. 2019/777 reg. 3(d)
- s. 13G(4) words omitted by virtue of 2012 c. 7, Sch. 14 para. 4A (as inserted) by 2014 c. 23 s. 120(18)(a)
- s. 35(3A)(3B) inserted by 2012 c. 7 s. 159(4)
- s. 40(4)-(4B) substituted for s. 40(4) by 2012 c. 7 Sch. 14 para. 5
- s. 42(1A) inserted by 2012 c. 7 Sch. 14 para. 6
- s. 65F(2A)-(2F) inserted by 2012 c. 7 Sch. 14 para. 15(4) (This amendment is itself amended before it comes into force by 2014 c. 23, ss. 85(15), 120(18)(b)(c), 127(1); S.I. 2014/1714, art. 3(2)(b)(c))
- s. 65H(10A) inserted by 2012 c. 7 Sch. 14 para. 17(4)
- Sch. 15 para. 4(1)(b) and word omitted by 2012 c. 7 Sch. 14 para. 39(3)