STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1974 No. 29

The National Health Service (Venereal Diseases) Regulations 1974

Confidentiality of information

- **2.** Every Regional Health Authority and every Area Health Authority shall take all necessary steps to secure that any information capable of identifying an individual obtained by officers of the Authority with respect to persons examined or treated for any sexually transmitted disease shall not be disclosed except—
 - (a) for the purpose of communicating that information to a medical practitioner or to a person employed under the direction of a medical practitioner in connection with the treatment of persons suffering from such disease or the prevention of the spread thereof, and
 - (b) for the purpose of such treatment or prevention.