

**2003 No. 983**

**GOVERNMENT RESOURCES AND ACCOUNTS**

**The Government Resources and Accounts Act 2000  
(Summarised Accounts of Special Health Authorities)  
Order 2003**

<i>Made - - - - -</i>	<i>1st April 2003</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>2nd April 2003</i>
<i>Coming into force - -</i>	<i>23rd May 2003</i>

Whereas the Treasury, having regard to information contained or to be contained in resource accounts of the Department of Health prepared pursuant to section 5 of the Government Resources and Accounts Act 2000(a) (Departmental Accounts) or accounts prepared pursuant to section 9 of that Act (Whole of Government Accounts), consider that the preparation of summarised accounts for the bodies listed in the Schedule to this Order is unnecessary for a financial year ending on 31st March 2004, 31st March 2005, or 31st March 2006;

Now, therefore, the Treasury, having consulted the Comptroller and Auditor General, the National Assembly for Wales and the Auditor General for Wales, hereby make the following Order in exercise of the power conferred on them by section 14 of the Government Resources and Accounts Act 2000:

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Government Resources and Accounts Act 2000 (Summarised Accounts of Special Health Authorities) Order 2003 and shall come into force on 23rd May 2003.

**Summarised accounts of Special Health Authorities**

2. Section 98(4) of the National Health Service Act 1977(b) (requirement to prepare summarised accounts) shall not apply in relation to the Special Health Authorities(c) listed in the Schedule for a financial year ending on 31st March 2004, 31st March 2005, or 31st March 2006.

*Nick Ainger  
Jim Fitzpatrick*

1st April 2003

Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury

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(a) 2000 c. 20.

(b) 1977 c. 49.

(c) Special Health Authorities are established by orders made under section 11 of the National Health Service Act 1977 (c. 49).

Counter Fraud and Security Management Service  
Dental Vocational Training Authority  
Family Health Services Appeal Authority  
Health Development Agency  
Health Protection Agency  
Mental Health Act Commission  
National Clinical Assessment Authority  
National Institute for Clinical Excellence  
National Patient Safety Agency  
National Treatment Agency  
NHS Appointments Commission  
NHS Information Authority  
NHS Litigation Authority  
Prescription Pricing Authority  
Retained Organs Commission  
UK Transplant

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note does not form part of the Order)*

Section 98(4) of the National Health Service Act 1977 requires the Secretary of State to prepare in respect of each financial year summarised accounts of the bodies mentioned in section 98(1) of that Act and to send those accounts to the Comptroller and Auditor General (C&AG) for him to audit. The bodies there mentioned include all Special Health Authorities. This Order provides that the above requirement shall not apply to the Special Health Authorities listed in the Schedule for a financial year ending on 31st March 2004, 31st March 2005, or 31st March 2006. For each of those financial years, the accounts of those Special Health Authorities will either be incorporated into the resource accounts of the Department of Health or will be included in Whole of Government Accounts. The C&AG audits the resource accounts of the Department of Health and will also audit Whole of Government Accounts. It is therefore considered unnecessary for the Secretary of State to prepare summarised accounts of those Special Health Authorities for the financial years in question.

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