
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order provides for the establishment and constitution of a Special Health Authority, to be known as NHS Blood and Transplant (Gwaed a Thrawsblaniadau'r GIG) (“the Authority”), to exercise functions in connection with the collecting, screening, processing and supplying and analysing of blood, blood products, plasma, stem cells and other tissues, the preparation of blood components and reagents and facilitating, providing and securing the provision of services to assist tissue and organ transplantation and such other functions as the Secretary of State and the National Assembly for Wales may direct it to perform.

Article 2 of the Order establishes the Authority, the functions of which are described in article 3 and are to be specified more particularly in directions given by the Secretary of State and the National Assembly for Wales. Provision is also made for the constitution of the Authority (article 4), for the remuneration of its members (article 5), and for the admission of the public to meetings (article 6). Article 7 and the Schedule make provision to ensure that a member of the Authority is not disqualified from membership of certain other NHS bodies.