



Health and Social Care Act 2001

2001 CHAPTER 15

PART 1

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

Local authority scrutiny of health service provision

9 Overview and scrutiny committees: exempt information

- (1) This section applies in relation to any item of business at a meeting of an overview and scrutiny committee which is an item relating to functions of the committee under section 21(2)(f) of the Local Government Act 2000 (c. 22).
- (2) In relation to any such item, information is exempt information for the purposes of section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (c. 70) (exclusion of public from meetings to prevent disclosure of exempt information) if it falls within any of the descriptions of information which are for the time being specified in Part 1 of Schedule 1 to this Act, but subject to any qualifications contained in Part 2 of that Schedule.
- (3) Part 3 of that Schedule has effect for the interpretation of that Schedule.
- (4) The relevant authority may by order vary that Schedule—
 - (a) by adding any description or other provision in connection with a relevant body or services provided by, or under arrangements made by, a relevant body, or
 - (b) by deleting or varying any description or other provision for the time being specified or contained in that Schedule.
- (5) The relevant authority may exercise the power conferred by subsection (4) by amending any Part of Schedule 1, with or without amendment of any other Part.
- (6) In this section and Schedule 1 “relevant body” means a body in respect of which overview and scrutiny committees exercise functions under regulations under section 7.