STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2001 No. 4118

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND

The Lancashire Care National Health Service Trust (Establishment) and the Guild Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust and the North Sefton and the West Lancashire Community National Health Service Trust (Dissolution) Order 2001

Made	17th December 2001
Coming into force except	
for article 8	1st January 2002
article 8	1st April 2002

The Secretary of State for Health, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 126(3) of the National Health Service Act 1977 and by section 5(1) of, and paragraphs 1, 3, 4, 5 and 29(1) of Schedule 2 to, the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990(1) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, considering it appropriate in the interests of the health service to dissolve the Guild Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust and the North Sefton and the West Lancashire Community National Health Service Trust(2) and having completed the consultation prescribed under section 5(2) of and paragraph 29(3) of Schedule 2 to that Act(3), hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Lancashire Care National Health Service Trust (Establishment) and the Guild Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust and the North Sefton and the West Lancashire Community National Health Service Trust (Dissolution) Order 2001 and subject to paragraph (2), shall come into force on 1st January 2002.

(2) Article 8 shall come into force on 1st April 2002.

^{(1) 1990} c. 19; section 5 was amended by the Health Authorities Act 1995 (c. 17), Schedule 1, paragraph 69(d) and by the Health Act 1999 (c. 8) section 13; paragraph 1 of Schedule 2 is cited for the definition of "an order"; paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 to the 1990 Act was amended by the Health Act 1999 section 13(7).

⁽²⁾ See paragraph 29(2) of Schedule 2 to the 1990 Act.

⁽**3**) See S.I.1996/653.

(3) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires—

"the Act" means the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990;

"community health services" means any services which the Secretary of State may provide under section 3(1)(d) or (e) of, or Schedule 1 to, the National Health Service Act 1977 and any service which he has a duty to provide under section 5(1) or (1A) of that Act(4);

"establishment date" means 1st January 2002;

"operational date" has the meaning assigned to it in paragraph 3(1)(e) of Schedule 2 to the Act;

"the trust" means the Lancashire Care National Health Service Trust established by article 2 of this Order.

Establishment and name of trust

2. There is hereby established an NHS trust which shall be called the Lancashire Care National Health Service Trust.

Nature and functions of the trust

3.—(1) The trust is established for the purposes specified in section 5(1) of the Act.

(2) The trust's functions shall be to provide goods and services, namely hospital accommodation and services, and community health services, for the purposes of the health service at or from Moor Park House, 1 Moor Park Avenue, Preston PR1 6AS

and at or from any associated hospitals, establishments and facilities.

Directors of trust

4. The trust shall have in addition to the chairman 5 non-executive directors and 5 executive directors.

Operational date and accounting date of the trust

5.—(1) The operational date shall be 1st April 2002.

(2) The accounting date of the trust shall be 31st March.

Limited functions before operational date

6. Between the establishment date and the operational date the trust shall have the functions of doing such things as are reasonably necessary to enable it to carry out its functions with effect from the operational date, including—

- (a) of entering into NHS contracts;
- (b) of entering into other contracts including contracts of employment.

Assistance by Health Authorities before operational date

7. The North West Lancashire Health Authority shall discharge the liabilities of the trust incurred between the establishment date and the operational date which are reasonably incurred by the trust for the purpose of enabling it to begin to carry out its functions with effect from the operational date, including—

^{(4) 1977} c. 49; section 5(1) was amended by, and section 5(1A) was inserted by the Health and Medicines Act 1988 (c. 49), section 10(1); Schedule 1 was amended by the Education Reform Act 1988 (c. 40), paragraph 21 of Schedule 12, the Health and Medicines Act 1988, Schedule 2, paragraph 7 and the Education Act 1996 (c. 56), Schedule 37, paragraph 46.

- (a) liability for the remuneration and travelling or other allowances of the chairman and nonexecutive directors of the trust;
- (b) liability for the travelling or other allowances of the members of committees and subcommittees of the trust who are not also directors of the trust;
- (c) liability for the remuneration of persons employed by the trust.

Dissolution of NHS trusts

8.—(1) The Guild Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust established by the Guild Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust (Establishment) Order 1993(**5**) is hereby dissolved, and accordingly that Order is hereby revoked.

(2) The North Sefton and the West Lancashire Community National Health Service Trust established by the North Sefton and the West Lancashire Community National Health Service Trust (Establishment) Order 1999(6) is hereby dissolved, and accordingly that Order is hereby revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

Hunt Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Department of Health

17th December 2001

⁽⁵⁾ S.I. 1993/2623.

⁽⁶⁾ S.I. 1999/888.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order establishes the Lancashire Care National Health Service Trust as an NHS trust, provided for in section 5 of the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990.

This Order also dissolves on 1st April 2002:

Guild Community Healthcare National Health Service Trust;

and the North Sefton and the West Lancashire Community National Health Service Trust.

The new trust will provide certain services previously provided by the Guild Community Healthcare and the North Sefton and the West Lancashire Community National Health Service Trusts, which are dissolved by this Order.

The Order provides for the functions of the trust (article 3) and the number of executive and nonexecutive directors (article 4). It specifies the operational date (the date on which the trust assumes all its functions), and the accounting date of the trust (article 5). It also specifies the trust's liabilities which will be discharged by the North West Lancashire Health Authority if incurred between the establishment date and the operational date (article 7).

This Order does not impose a charge on businesses.