

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the regulations)*

These regulations prescribe the number of Local Commissioning Groups to be appointed by the Regional Health and Social Care Board established under the Health and Social Care (Reform) Act (Northern Ireland) 2009 (regulation 2(1)). They also prescribe the areas of the Local Commissioning Groups (regulation 2(2)) and the functions they will exercise with respect to the commissioning of health and social care (regulation 3).