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PART 2

HEALTH SERVICE BODIES

CHAPTER 4

SPECIAL HEALTH AUTHORITIES

28 Special Health Authorities

- (1) The Secretary of State may by order establish special bodies for the purpose of exercising any functions which may be conferred on them by or under this Act.
- (2) The Secretary of State may make such further provision relating to a body established under subsection (1) as he considers appropriate.
- (3) A body established under this section is called a Special Health Authority.
- (4) An order may, in particular, contain provisions as to—
 - (a) the membership of the body established by the order,
 - (b) the transfer to the body of officers, property and liabilities, and
 - (c) the name of the body.
- (5) The liabilities which may be transferred by virtue of this section, section 272(8) and section 273(1) to an NHS body on the abolition of a Special Health Authority include criminal liabilities.
- (6) In this Act (apart from in Schedule 15) “NHS body” means—
 - (a) a Strategic Health Authority,
 - (b) a Primary Care Trust,
 - (c) an NHS trust,
 - (d) a Special Health Authority,

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (e) an NHS foundation trust, and
 - (f) a Local Health Board.
- (7) The Secretary of State must, before he makes an order under this section, consult with respect to the order such bodies as he may recognise as representing officers who in his opinion are likely to be transferred or affected by transfers in pursuance of the order.
- (8) Schedule 6 makes further provision about Special Health Authorities.

29 Exercise of Special Health Authority functions

- (1) Regulations may provide for any functions which are exercisable by a Special Health Authority under section 7 to be exercised—
- (a) by another Special Health Authority, or
 - (b) jointly with one or more other Special Health Authorities.
- (2) Regulations may provide—
- (a) for any functions which are exercisable by a Special Health Authority under section 7, section 14, section 19 or this section to be exercised on behalf of that Special Health Authority by a committee, sub-committee or officer of the Special Health Authority,
 - (b) for any functions exercisable jointly under subsection (1)(b) to be exercised, on behalf of the Special Health Authorities in question, by a joint committee or joint sub-committee.