STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Primary Care Trusts (Membership, Procedure and Administration Arrangements) Regulations 2000

Membership of Primary Care Trusts

- **2.**—(1) A Primary Care Trust shall have not more than 14 members and not less than 8 members.
- (2) The number of officer members shall not exceed 7 and nor shall it exceed the number of non-officer members.
 - (3) The non-officer members shall be appointed by the Secretary of State.
 - (4) The officer members shall include-
 - (a) the persons who for the time being hold the offices of Chief Executive and Director of Finance;
 - (b) the person who for the time being holds the post of chairman of the Executive Committee; and
 - (c) at least one person, but not more than 4 persons, appointed by the chairman following nomination by the Executive Committee.
- (5) Where only one person is appointed under paragraph (4)(c), that person shall be a member of the Executive Committee; and where more than one person is appointed under that paragraph, at least two shall be members of that committee.
- (6) Of the persons who are the chairman or members of the Executive Committee and who are members of the trust by virtue of paragraph (4)(b) and (c)–
 - (a) at least one shall be a medical practitioner; and
 - (b) at least one shall be a nurse.
- (7) In addition to the persons referred to in paragraph (4), the officer members may include officers of the trust, other than the Chief Executive and the Director of Finance, appointed by the chairman and non-officer members of that trust.
- (8) Where more than one person is appointed jointly to a post mentioned in paragraph (4)(a) or in relation to which an officer member is to be appointed under paragraph (7), those persons shall become or be appointed as an officer member jointly, and shall count as one officer member for the purposes of paragraphs (1) and (2).
- (9) Subject to regulation 3, an officer member appointed under paragraphs (4)(c) or (7) shall be appointed for such period—
 - (a) not exceeding 4 years; and
 - (b) in the case of an officer member who is also a member of the Executive Committee, not exceeding the remainder of his term of office as a member of that committee,

as the chairman or the chairman and non-officer members, as the case may be, may specify on making the appointment and shall be eligible for reappointment.

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- (10) Subject to regulation 4, the chairman or a non-officer member shall be appointed for such period, not exceeding 4 years, as the Secretary of State may specify on making the appointment and shall be eligible for reappointment.
- (11) During its preparatory period a Primary Care Trust shall be regarded as properly constituted if the chairman and at least one non-officer member have been appointed, notwithstanding that the other members have not yet been appointed.