EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend regulations 2 and 8 of the Health Authorities (Membership and Procedure) Regulations 1996 (S.I. 1996/707) ("the principal Regulations"), which make provision relating to the membership and procedure of Health Authorities, and, in relation to Health Authorities in England—

- (a) substitute a new regulation 2(2), to provide that all Health Authorities shall have a non-officer member who holds a post in a higher education institution which provides education leading to registration as a doctor, dentist, pharmacist, or to registration in a register maintained by the Nursing and Midwifery Council or the Health Professions Council, and, in consequence, amend regulations 1(2) and 8(8), and omit Schedule 1;
- (b) amend regulation 10(4) and (5), to substitute for the reference to a person holding a post in a university, a reference to a person holding a post in a higher education institution, or a post in a university which is not such an institution; and
- (c) amend regulation 2(4) and (5), to remove the requirement for one of the officer members of an Authority to hold the office of director of public health.