

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which apply in relation to Wales, make miscellaneous amendments to a number of Regulations which govern the placement, care and accommodation of children looked after by local authorities in the exercise of their functions under the Children Act 1989 ('the 1989 Act'), and to a number of Regulations made under the Care Standards Act 2000 ('the 2000 Act').

The 1989 Act Regulations are amended as a consequence of the implementation of Part II of the 2000 Act in respect of children's homes and care homes. Various other minor and updating amendments are also made.

The 2000 Act Regulations are amended to remedy a minor drafting error, and also: (i) in respect of the Care Homes (Wales) Regulations 2002, to clarify that where an establishment only provides care together with accommodation to certain ex-foster children of the person carrying it on it is not a care home for the purposes of Part II of the 2000 Act; and (ii) in respect of the Registration of Social Care and Independent Health Care (Wales) Regulations 2002, to omit the requirement that a local authority or a NHS Trust must supply a financial reference to accompany an application for registration under Part II of the Care Standards Act 2000.