

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes amendments relating to the establishment of Local Health Boards in Wales from 1 April 2003 and the abolition of Health Authorities on the same date. The Order makes amendments of enactments appropriate to reflect the fact that functions of former Health Authorities were transferred to the Assembly under the Health Authorities (Transfer of Functions, Staff, Property, Rights and Liabilities and Abolition (Wales) Order 2003 (S.I.2003/813) and such functions were then made exercisable by Local Health Boards under the Local Health Boards (Functions) (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/150). The Order makes further amendments to enactments in consequence of, or in connection with, the abolition of Welsh Health Authorities.

The Order also provides that in relation to subordinate legislation all references to a Health Authority or Health Authorities are to be treated as references to a Local Health Board or Local Health Boards unless the context otherwise requires.