



# Health and Social Care Act 2012

## 2012 CHAPTER 7

### PART 4

#### NHS FOUNDATION TRUSTS & NHS TRUSTS

##### *Governance and management*

#### **153 Members**

- (1) In section 61 of the National Health Service Act 2006 (representative membership), the existing text becomes subsection (1) and, in that subsection, for “An authorisation may require an NHS foundation trust to” substitute “An NHS foundation trust must”.
- (2) After that subsection insert—
  - “(2) In deciding which areas are to be areas for public constituencies, or in deciding whether there is to be a patients’ constituency, an NHS foundation trust must have regard to the need for those eligible for such membership to be representative of those to whom the trust provides services.”