



# Health and Social Care Act 2001

## 2001 CHAPTER 15

### PART 1

#### NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

##### *Abolition of Medical Practices Committee and National Health Service Tribunal*

#### **15 Vacancies for medical practitioners**

- (1) Section 29B of the 1977 Act (which provides for regulations about the filling of vacancies for general practitioners) shall be amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (2)—
  - (a) for paragraphs (a) and (b) there shall be substituted—
    - “(a) the determination by a Health Authority of whether there is, or will be, a vacancy for a medical practitioner in a locality;
    - (b) any consultation which a Health Authority must undertake before doing so;”, and
  - (b) in paragraph (c), for “the Medical Practices Committee” there shall be substituted “a Health Authority”.
- (3) In subsection (3)(b), for “Secretary of State” there shall be substituted “FHSAA”.