2003 No. 1077

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND

The National Patient Safety Agency (Establishment and Constitution) Amendment Order 2003

Made - - - - 8th April 2003

Laid before Parliament 15th April 2003

Coming into force - - 2nd July 2003

The Secretary of State for Health, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 11(2) and (4) and 126(3) of the National Health Service Act 1977(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement, application and interpretation

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the National Patient Safety Agency (Establishment and Constitution) Amendment Order 2003 and shall come into force on 2nd July 2003.
 - (2) This Order applies to England only.
- (3) In this Order "the Order" means the National Patient Safety Agency (Establishment and Constitution) Order 2001(**b**).

Amendment of article 4 of the Order

- **2.**—(1) Article 4 (constitution of the Agency) is amended as follows.
- (2) In paragraph (b), for "not less than 12 and not more than 15 members" there is substituted "not less than 8 and not more than 11 members"; and
 - (3) In paragraph (d), for "one officer" there is substituted "three officers".

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Health

8th April 2003

⁽a) 1977 (c. 49); section 11 was amended by paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 to the Health Authorities Act 1995 (c. 17) ("the 1995 Act") and by paragraph 6 of Schedule 4 to the Health Act 1999 (c. 8) ("the 1999 Act"); section 126(3) was amended by section 65(2) of the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 (c. 19) ("the 1990 Act"), paragraph 57 of Schedule 1 to the 1995 Act and section 41(10) of, and paragraph 27 of Schedule 2 to, the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997 (c. 46) ("the 1997 Act"). The functions of the Secretary of State under these provisions are, so far as exercisable in relation to Wales, transferred to the National Assembly for Wales by article 2(a) of the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999, S.I. 1999/672, as amended by section 66(5) of the 1999 Act.

⁽b) S.I. 2001/1743.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order changes the constitution of the National Patient Safety Agency ("the Agency"), a Special Health Authority established under section 11 of the National Health Service Act 1977. The Agency is to have between 8 and 11 non-officer members rather than between 12 and 15. It is also to have three officer members (in addition to the Chief Executive) rather than one.

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