## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

## (This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the National Patient Safety Agency (Establishment and Constitution) Order 2001 to confer on the Agency functions previously carried out by the National Clinical Assessment Authority which is abolished by S.I. 2005/502 and additional functions relating to hospitals. The Order changes the provisions about membership of the Agency. The Order also makes provision for the transfer of officers and property to the Agency from the St George's Healthcare National Health Service Trust and for the enforceability of rights and transfer of liabilities to the Agency in relation to work conducted by the National Institute for Clinical Excellence.