

*These notes refer to the Health and Social Care Act 2012
(c.7) which received Royal Assent on 27 March 2012*

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE ACT 2012

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1 – The Health Service in England

Arrangements for provision of health services

Section 23 - The NHS Commissioning Board: further provision

Public involvement

226. *Public involvement and consultation by the Board.* New section 13Q requires the NHS Commissioning Board to make arrangements to secure public involvement and consultation in: (a) the planning of commissioning arrangements; (b) the development and consideration of proposals for service change where they would have an impact on the range of services provided and / or the manner in which they are provided; and (c) decisions affecting the operation of commissioning decisions. The duty applies to the NHS Commissioning Board only as respects health services which it commissions and its plans, proposals or decisions about such services. This reflects the duty that previously applied to PCTs under section 242 of the NHS Act.