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

Disclosure of information

- 240. *Permitted disclosures of information*. New section 13Z3 sets out categories of information obtained by the NHS Commissioning Board that it is permitted to disclose. It also deals with the relationship between the powers under the section and the rules of common law on disclosure.
- 241. *Interpretation*. New section 13Z4 sets out interpretation of various terms used throughout Chapter A1, including the definition of health services. Subsections (2) and (3) list those references to functions of the NHS Commissioning Board in Chapter A1, elsewhere in the Act and in other legislation that are to include public health functions that are delegated to the NHS Commissioning Board by the Secretary of State using the powers in new section 7A. Those powers and duties would therefore apply when the NHS Commissioning Board exercises any delegated public health functions.