## **HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE ACT 2012**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

Part 9 – Health and adult social care services: information

Chapter 2 - The Health and Social Care Information Centre

**Establishment and general duties** 

Section 253 - General duties

1418. This section sets out the general duties of the Information Centre. The Information Centre must have regard to information standards published by or guidance issued by the Secretary of State or the NHS Commissioning Board. It must exercise its functions effectively, efficiently and economically and seek to minimise the burdens it imposes on others, for example, as a result of collecting or analysing information. The Centre must also have regard to the need to promote the effective, efficient and economic use of resources in the provision of health and adult social care services in England.