
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2006 No. 2603

**The Health Act 2006 (Commencement No. 1
and Transitional Provisions) Order 2006**

Transitional provisions relating to audit

6.—(1) Notwithstanding the substitution, except so far as relating to Welsh NHS bodies, of section 98 of the 1977 Act by section 56 of the Act—

- (a) section 98 of the 1977 Act;
- (b) the following provisions of the Audit Commission Act 1998⁽¹⁾—
 - (i) section 5(1)(a);
 - (ii) the definition of “health service body” in section 53(1);
 - (iii) paragraphs 1(e) and (g), 1A and 1C of Schedule 2;
- (c) section 144(2) of the Government of Wales Act 1998⁽²⁾;
- (d) section 14 of the Government Resources and Accounts Act 2000⁽³⁾; and
- (e) article 2(1) of the Special Health Authorities (Audit) Order 2006,

as in force on 30th September 2006 shall apply as regards accounts kept by the bodies listed in section 98(1) in relation to the financial year ending 31st March 2007 (accordingly, the arrangements set out in the new Schedule 12B of the 1977 Act shall apply in relation to each subsequent financial year) and as regards outstanding matters relating to earlier financial years.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1)(a), section 98(4) of the 1977 Act (as it continues in effect by virtue of paragraph (1)(a)) shall not apply in relation to any Special Health Authority in relation to the financial year ending 31st March 2007

(3) Paragraphs (1) and (2) have no effect in relation to Welsh NHS bodies.

(1) 1998 c.18.
(2) 1998 c.38.
(3) 2000 c.20.