STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1981 No. 1836

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND AND WALES

The National Health Service (Determination of Regions) Order 1981

Made - - - -	21*st December* 1981
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Coming into Operation	1*st April* 1982

The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 8(1) and (2) of the National Health Service Act 1977(**a**) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the National Health Service (Determination of Regions) Order 1981 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1982.

Interpretation

2. References in column (3) of the Schedule to this Order to local government areas are references to such areas as existing on 1st August 1981 and paragraph 1(*b*) of regulation 40 (Statutory definitions of areas) of the Local Government Area Changes Regulations 1976(**b**) shall not apply to such areas, references therein to wards are references to wards the boundaries of which are fixed by the City of Westminster (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1978(**c**) and references therein to the area of a former borough are references to such an area as existing immediately before 1st April 1974.

Regions of Regional Health Authorities

3. Each of the regions described in column (3) of the Schedule to this Order and respectively numbered 1 to 14 in column (1) of the Schedule shall be a region for which a Regional Health Authority shall continue to be constituted and each such region shall be known by the title set out in column (2) of the Schedule.

(**a**) 1977 c. 49; the National Health Service Act 1977 was extended to the Isles of Scilly by the Isles of Scilly (National Health Service) Order 1981 (S.I. 1981/1473).

(**b**) S.I. 1976/246.

(**c**) S.I. 1978/48.

Revocations and general saving

4. The National Health Service (Determination of Regions) Order 1973(**a**), the Isles of Scilly (National Health Service Administration) Order 1973(**b**) and Article 4 of the National Health Service (Constitution of Regional Health Authorities) Order 1975(**c**) are hereby revoked but without prejudice to the validity of anything done thereunder.

Norman Fowler,

Secretary of State for Social Services.

21st December 1981.

Article 3

SCHEDULE

HEALTH AUTHORITY REGIONS

Column (1) Number of Region	Column (2) Name of Region	Column (3) Description of Region
1.	Northern Region ...	The counties of Tyne and Wear, Cleveland, Cumbria, Durham and Northumberland.
2.	Yorkshire Region ...	The counties of West Yorkshire, Humberside and North Yorkshire.
3.	Trent Region ...	The counties of Derbyshire (except the area of the former borough of Glossop and the parishes of Charlesworth, Chisworth and Tintwistle in the borough of High Peak), Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Nottinghamshire and South Yorkshire.
4.	East Anglian Region	The counties of Cambridgeshire, Norfolk and Suffolk.
5.	North West Thames Region	The counties of Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire, the London boroughs of Barnet, Brent, Ealing, Hammersmith, Harrow, Hillingdon, Hounslow, the Royal borough of Kensington and Chelsea and the city of Westminster (except those wards and parts of wards contained in the North East Thames Region) and, in the county of Surrey, the borough of Spelthorne.
6.	North East Thames Region	The county of Essex, the London boroughs of Barking, Camden, Enfield, Hackney, Haringey, Havering, Islington, Newham, Redbridge, Tower Hamlets and Waltham Forest, the Inner Temple, the Middle Temple and the City of London, and in the city of Westminster, the wards of Baker Street, Bryanston, Cavendish, Church Street, Hamilton Terrace, Lords and West End and that part of St. James's ward lying north east of Haymarket, Cockspur Street and Northumberland Avenue.
7.	South East Thames Region	The counties of East Sussex and Kent and the London boroughs of Bexley, Bromley, Greenwich, Lambeth, Lewisham and Southwark.

(**a**) S.I. 1973/1191. (**b**) S.I. 1973/2192. (**c**) S.I. 1975/1100.

Column (1) Number of Region	Column (2) Name of Region	Column (3) Description of Region
8.	South West Thames Region	The counties of Surrey (except the borough of Spelthorne) and West Sussex and the London boroughs of Croydon, Merton, Richmond upon Thames, Sutton and Wandsworth and the Royal borough of Kingston upon Thames.
9.	Wessex Region ...	The counties of Dorset, Hampshire, Isle of Wight and Wiltshire.
10.	Oxford Region ...	The Royal county of Berkshire and the counties of Buckinghamshire, Northamptonshire and Oxfordshire.
11.	South Western Region	The counties of Avon, Cornwall, Devon, Gloucestershire and Somerset and the Isles of Scilly.
12.	West Midlands Region	The counties of Hereford and Worcester, Shropshire, Staffordshire, Warwickshire and West Midlands.
13.	Mersey Region ...	The counties of Cheshire and Merseyside.
14.	North Western Region	The counties of Lancashire and Greater Manchester, and in the county of Derbyshire, in the borough of High Peak, the area of the former borough of Glossop and the parishes of Charlesworth, Chisworth and Tintwistle.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order, which replaces with amendments the National Health Service (Determination of Regions) Order 1973, determines regions in England for which Regional Health Authorities will continue to be established.

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