OFFICIAL GUIDANCE ON COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCILS

There follows a list of Circulars (from the Department of Health and the Welsh Office), Regulations and Statutes which relate to CHCs. We do not claim that this list includes all references to CHCs. Some old and deleted circulars are not included. Please note that some circulars (eg EL(92)11) have expiration dates which have now passed although the instructions are still relevant. ACHCEW is informed that the Policy Branch of the NHS Executive, and therefore the NHS Executive as a whole, regard these requirements as still applying although technically the circulars have been cancelled. Entries below which are not in bold have been specifically cancelled.

Please note that ACHCEW does not keep spare copies of these documents. A note on where to obtain copies is included after the list.

CIRCULARS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH/NHS EXECUTIVE

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HC(85)11

LAC(85)8

HC(88)37/ HN(FP)(88)18

EL(89)30 FPCL 29/89	Community Health Councils (Access to Information) Act 1988 - with guidelines [CURRENT]	
EL(90)185	Community Health Council (Amendment) Regulations - accompanied 'Consultation and Involving the Consumer' [CURRENT]	
EL(92)11	Community Health Councils (CHCs) [CURRENT]	
EL(92)68	GP Fundholders: Public Availability of Contracts [CURRENT]	
EL(94)4	The Operation of Community Health Councils [CURRENT]	
ML: Ministerial Letters		
ML(91)2	Community Health Councils [CURRENT]	
ML(92)1	Community Health Councils ("The Dorrell letter") [CURRENT]	
HSG: Health Service Guidelines		
HSG(92)36	The Patient's Charter: Monitoring and Publishing Information on Performance [CURRENT]	
HSG(93)27	The Patient's Charter and Primary Health Care [CURRENT]	
HC: Health Circulars		
HC(81)6/ LAC(81)3	The Membership of District Health Authorities [SUPERCEDED by HN(91)2: Guidance on the Membership, Meetings and Proceedings of NHS Authorities]	
HC(81)15/ LAC(81)10	Community Health Councils [CURRENT, except second sentence of paragraph 15 which was cancelled by ML(91)2]	

Hospital Complaints Procedure Act 1985 [CURRENT -

Consultation and Involving the Consumer]

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Community Health Councils [CANCELLED by EL(90)185 and by

extended until further notice by Communications Summary -

HC(FP): Health Circulars (Family Practitioner Services)

HC(FP)(89)20 Managing General Medical Services, particularly Implementation

of New Contract for General Medical Practitioners [CURRENT,

but amended by FHSL(93)45]

CIRCULARS FROM WELSH OFFICE

WHC: Welsh Office Health Circulars

WHC(90)55/ Local Strategies for Health [CURRENT] WHC(FP)(90)23

WHC(91)1 Community Health Council (Amendment) Regulations

[CURRENT]

WHC(91)57/ The Framework for NHS Purchasing in Wales for 1992/93

WHC(FP)(91)20 [CURRENT]

WHC(91)81/ District Health Authority and GP Fundholder Plans 1992

WHC(FP)(91)20 [REPLACED by WHC(93)60/WHC(FP)(93)21]

DGM: Letters to District General Managers

DGM(91)136 Local Strategies for Health: Form and Content [REPLACED]

by DGM(93)83]

DGM(93)130 Formal Public Consultation on Local Strategies for Health 1993

[CURRENT]

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS/REGULATIONS

SI 1973 2217	The National Health Service (Community Health Councils) Regulations 1973 [CANCELLED by SI 1985 304]
SI 1974 160	The National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 1974 [CANCELLED]
SI 1974 455	The National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) Regulations 1974 [CANCELLED]
SI 1976 791	The National Health Service (Community Health Councils) Amendment Regulations 1976 [CANCELLED by SI 1982 37]
SI 1977 874	The National Health Service (Association of Community Health Councils) Regulations 1977 [CURRENT]
SI 1977 1204	The National Health Service / Association of Community Health

SI 1977 1204 The National Health Service (Association of Community Health

Councils - Establishment) Order 1977 [CURRENT]

SI 1978 21 The National Health Service (Community Health Councils)
Amendment Regulations 1978 [CANCELLED by SI 1982 37]

SI 1982 37 The National Health Service (Community Health Councils)

Amendment Regulations 1982 [CANCELLED by SI 1985 304]

SI 1985 304	The Community Health Councils Regulations 1985 [CURRENT, as amended by SI 1990 1375, St 1991 275]
SI 1990 1375	The Community Health Councils (Amendment) Regulations 1990 [CURRENT]
SI 1991 275	The Community Health Councils (Amendment) Regulations 1991 [CURRENT]
SI 1991 1347	National Health Service Trusts (Consultation on Dissolution) Regulations 1991 [CURRENT]
SI 1992 635	The National Health Service (General Medical Services) Regulations 1992 [CURRENT, but amended by SI 1993 540]
SI 1992 661	The National Health Service (General Dental Services) Regulations 1992 [CURRENT]
SI 1992 662	The National Health Service (Pharmaceutical Services) Regulations 1992 [CURRENT]
SI 1992 664	The National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) Regulations 1992 [CURRENT]
SI 1992 2905	The National Health Service Trusts (Consultation on Dissolution) Amendment Regulation 1992 [CURRENT]

PRIMARY LEGISLATION

1973 chap 32	National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973 [CURRENT]
1977 chap 49	The National Health Service Act 1977 [CURRENT]
1988 chap 24	CHCs (Access to Information) Act 1988 [CURRENT]
1990 chap 19	National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990 [CURRENT]

MISCELLANEOUS

NHSME: Consultation and Involving the Consumer (December 1990) [CURRENT]

Welsh Office: Substantial Changes in Use of Buildings. Consultation Procedures (June 1991) [CURRENT]

NHSME: Local Voices. The Views of Local People in Purchasing for Health (January 1992) [CURRENT]

NOTE ON OBTAINING COPIES OF DOCUMENTS

Please note that ACHCEW is not able to provide copies of the listed documents.

1. For Acts and Statutory Instruments/Regulations, please contact HMSO. Their General Enquiries number in London is 071 873 0011 and the address is PO Box 276, London SW8 5DR.

- 2. For Department of Health Letters, please contact the Public Enquiry Office, Department of Health, Room 444, Richmond House, 79 Whitehall, London SW1A 2NS (071 210 3000).
- 3. For Health Service Guidelines, please contact BAPS Health Publication Unit, DSS Distribution Centre, Heywood Stores, Manchester Road, Heywood, Lancs OL10 2PZ (0706 366287).
- 4. For Welsh Office circulars, please contact the Welsh Office at Cathays Park, Cardiff CF1 3NQ (0222 825111).