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 STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS
 

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**NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE, ENGLAND  
AND WALES**
**The National Health Service (Community Health Councils)  
Amendment Regulations 1976**

<i>Made</i> - - - - -	20th May 1976
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	1st June 1976
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	30th June 1976

The Secretary of State for Social Services, as respects England, and the Secretary of State for Wales, as respects Wales, in exercise of powers conferred upon them by section 9(4)(a) of the National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973(a) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following regulations:—

*Citation and commencement*

1. These regulations may be cited as the National Health Service (Community Health Councils) Amendment Regulations 1976 and shall come into operation on 30th June 1976.

*Interpretation*

2.—(1) In these regulations references to the principal regulations are references to the National Health Service (Community Health Councils) Regulations 1973(b).

(2) References in these regulations to any enactment include references to such enactment as amended by any subsequent enactment, order or regulations.

(3) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(c) apply for the purposes of the interpretation of these regulations as they apply for the purposes of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

*Amendment of principal regulations*

3. At the end of regulation 5 (Term of office of members of Community Health Councils) of the principal regulations there shall be added the following paragraphs:—

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(a) 1973 c. 32.  
(c) 1889 c. 63.

(b) S.I. 1973/2217 (1973 III, p. 7819).

“(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (2) above the original members who under that paragraph were appointed for a period ending on 30th June 1976 shall continue in office until the end of December 1976.

(4) Members appointed to hold office for a period beginning on 1st January 1977 shall be appointed for a period ending on 30th June 1980”.

*David Ennals.*

Secretary of State for Social Services.

19th May 1976.

*John Morris.*

Secretary of State for Wales.

20th May 1976.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)*

One half (as near as may be) of the original members of Community Health Councils established under section 9 of the National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973 were appointed for a period ending on 30th June 1976. These amending Regulations extend their period of office until the end of December 1976, and provide that members appointed to office on 1st January 1977 shall hold office until 30th June 1980.

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