

## Consultation response from the National Heart Forum

Consultation: Consultation on the proposed  
content of: the local authority  
(overview and scrutiny  
committees health scrutiny  
functions) regulations 2003

Consulting body: Department of health

Response date: November 2002

NATIONAL HEART FORUM'S RESPONSE TO:  
Overview and scrutiny of health: consultation on regulations

November 2002

Question: are there any matters which must be reviewed or scrutinised that should be identified within the regulation?

Response: -Yes, the annual report of the Director of Public Health of the PCT.

Question: Do you have any comments on the issue of consultation of committees by NHS bodies?

Response: - Yes, please include consultation on the Health Impact Assessments and Health Impact Reviews undertaken by the PCT.

Question: Do you have any comments on the issue of obtaining information to be provided by NHS bodies?

Response: - Yes. This should also apply to PCT Board members including the chair.

Question: Do you have any comments on the issue of co-option?

Response: Yes the Director of Public Health should be a co-opted member.

Question: Who should have an overseeing role for national and regional specialities?

Response: Possibly consider the Regional Assemblies?

National Heart Forum  
Tavistock House South  
Tavistock Square  
London  
WC1H 9LG  
[www.heartforum.org.uk](http://www.heartforum.org.uk)  
Tel: 020 7383 7638  
Fax:020 7387 2799

pl/forum/7567