



Commissioning Board
A special health authority

**Framework Agreement
between the Department of Health and the
NHS Commissioning Board Authority**

Annex A: Wider guidance

1. The Authority will comply with the following general guidance documents and instructions:

- this document
- Appropriate adaptations of sections of *Corporate Governance in Central Government Departments: Code of Good Practice* and its related guidance http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/psr_governance_corporate.htm
- *Managing Public Money* http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/psr_mpm_index.htm
- *Government Internal Audit Standards* http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/psr_governance_gia_guidance.htm
- *Management of Risk: Principles and Concepts* http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/orange_book.htm
- *Managing the Risk of Fraud* http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/psr_managing_risk_of_fraud.htm
- *Government Financial Reporting Manual (FRem)* http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/frem_index.htm
- Fees and Charges Guide, Chapter 6 of *Managing Public Money*
- Departmental Banking: A Manual for Government Departments, Annex 5.7 of *Managing Public Money*
- relevant Dear Accounting Officer letters
- *Regularity, Propriety and Value for Money* http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/psr_governance_valueformoney.htm
- The Parliamentary Ombudsman's *Principles of Good Administration* <http://www.ombudsman.org.uk/improving-public-service/ombudsmansprinciples/principles-of-good-administration>
- Consolidation Officer Memorandum, and relevant DCO letters
- relevant Freedom of Information Act guidance and instructions (Ministry of Justice)
- Cabinet Office model *Code for Staff of Executive Non-departmental Public Bodies* http://www.civilservice.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2011/09/5_public_body_staffv2_tcm6-2484.pdf
- Greening Government Commitments <http://sd.defra.gov.uk/documents/Greening-Government-commitments.pdf>
- Government Property Unit National Property Controls and standards for office accommodation (available from the Department)
- The Department of Health's Property Asset Management procedures (available from the Department)
- The *NHS Records Management code of practice* http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_4131747
- The *NHS Information Governance Toolkit* <https://www.igt.connectingforhealth.nhs.uk/>
- HMG IA Standard No. 6: *Protecting Personal Data and Managing Information Risk* (available from the Department)
- HM Government's *Security Policy Framework* <http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/resource-library/security-policy-framework>
- The Prime Minister's commitments on transparency <http://www.number10.gov.uk/news/statements-and-articles/2010/05/letter-to-government-departments-on-opening-up-data-51204>

- The NHS *Confidentiality Code of Practice*
http://www.dh.gov.uk/prod_consum_dh/groups/dh_digitalassets/@dh/@en/documents/digitalasset/dh_4069254.pdf
 - The NHS *Information Security Code of Practice*
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_074142
 - other relevant guidance and instructions issued by HM Treasury in respect of Whole of Government Accounts
 - other relevant instructions and guidance issued by the central departments
 - specific instructions and guidance issued by the Department, including requests for information
 - recommendations made by the Public Accounts Committee, or by other Parliamentary authority, that have been accepted by the Government and are relevant to the Authority.
2. The Department may require the Authority to provide additional management information on an ad hoc basis. Where this is the case, the Department will provide the Authority with clear reasons for the request and will allow as much time as possible to comply with the request.