

Policy Circular

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Please note: From 17 June 2010 the ILF is closed to new applications.

1.0 Background

Constant Attendance Allowance (CAA) is paid as part of Industrial Disablement Benefit or War Disablement Pension. A person cannot receive both CAA and DLA. They receive whichever is the higher – usually CAA.

2.0 Policy

The Fund may accept new applications from those receiving CAA, providing the CAA is either equal to or greater than the current amount of higher rate care component of DLA.

Group 1 users who receive CAA can continue to receive ILF funding providing the rate of CAA is either equal to or greater than the rate of Constant Attendance Allowance that they were entitled to on 1st October 2007.

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3.0 Procedure

Where the candidate is in receipt of Constant Attendance Allowance, the **lesser** of half of the amount of CAA **received** or ½ higher rate DLA is regarded as being available towards the cost of the assessed care (i.e. is included within the available income calculation). Any remainder of the CAA is disregarded.

4.0 Source

SMT meeting 24 June 2002
Conditions of Grant Agreement 2007

5.0 Cross References

Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit policy
War Disablement Pension policy

6.0 History Date Reviewed

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