

Personal Independence Payment

Understanding the information requirements and learning needs of those who support our customers

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Personal Independence Payment – an overview

- Replace DLA with a new benefit to be introduced for working age people from 2013 called Personal Independence Payment, that will:
 - continue to help contribute to the extra costs of living independently
 - recognise changes to individuals' situations
 - be simpler to administer and easier to understand; and
 - have a new fairer, more objective and more transparent assessment
- Two components:
 - Mobility component
 - Daily-living component
 - Each component will have two rates – standard and enhanced

Preparing for Personal Independence Payment

- A high number of people who claim DLA do so with the support of a customer representative
- We expect that this support will continue to be sought by people claiming Personal Independence Payment
- We want to do all we can to support you so that:
 - You understand Personal Independence Payment; the rules of entitlement and the administrative process
 - You can support our shared customers in understanding Personal Independence Payment and their decision to make a claim, and
 - We can help remove any confusion around managing 2 different systems with potentially different administrative rules; e.g. Personal Independence Payment for working age customers and DLA for children and those currently on DLA aged over 65

How can we support you to prepare for the introduction of Personal Independence Payment?

To help us support you, we would like to ask:-

- What information do you need?
- How can we provide this effectively and efficiently?
- Do National Organisations and Local Organisations need different things?
- Is there anything else we need to consider?