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Disability Unit



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Chloe Smith is the Minister for Disabled People.



This means she is in charge of the work the government does to support disabled people.



New

In 2022, the government made a new law, called 'the British Sign Language (BSL) Act'.

This law says that:

- British Sign Language (BSL) is a language that people in the UK use.





- The government needs to make sure information it gives to the public is available in British Sign Language.

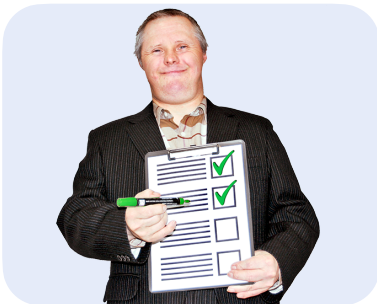
Now we need to make sure all parts of the government:



- Understand what they need to do to follow the law and support users of British Sign Language.



- Use British Sign Language as well as other languages when giving information to the public.



- Let people know what they are doing to support users of British Sign Language.



We are making a new group of people who use British Sign Language called the BSL Advisory Board.



The BSL Advisory Board will help us to support all of the parts of the government to follow the new law.



We are looking forward to working with the BSL Advisory Board.

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