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1 Introduction and background

1.1 Policy background

No tables

1.2 Fit for Work Assessments

No tables

1.3 Evaluation aims

No tables

1.4 Overview of evaluation methodology

No tables

1.5 This report

This Technical Annex should be read alongside the main Fit for Work Process Evaluation report which contains the headline findings and narrative. Detailed tables are presented throughout the Technical Annex, giving tables for the statistically significant differences between results for different groups (e.g. by employee age). The structure of the data tables in the Technical Annex follows the structure of the main report (e.g. tables relating to findings regarding employer satisfaction with the Fit for Work service can be found in section 7.6.2 in both the main report and the Technical Annex).

The data presented in the tables is weighted, and unweighted bases are given underneath each table. There are instances, therefore, where the 'Total' value in the tables differs to the N value given in the base, because weighting has been applied to the survey data to ensure its representativeness.

The totals presented in the tables relating to the same question are consistent between those tables. Where there are missing data for cross-breaks then the total given for all respondents may mean that the data within the table do not sum. For example, if some respondents did not declare their ethnicity, but answered the question, their responses would be reported in the total, but not for responses by ethnicity.

Where the data presented in the base of the table (i.e. the number of responses included) has less than 100 cases this is indicated with an asterisk (*) and results should be treated with caution. Results are not reported where the table base is less than 25 cases, and percentages based on 25-49 unweighted cases (column or row bases as applicable) are presented in square brackets.

Responses giving 'don't know' have been excluded from tables where it is in response to a question seeking an attitudinal answer. Where they indicate a respondent's lack of awareness or certainty about a categorical issue, 'don't know' responses have been included.

In some instances where very low numbers of individual responses to a specific category represent a theoretical risk of disclosure, steps have been taken to guard against this by combining two or more categories together and applying a disclosure control process based on ONS guidance for tables produced from administrative sources and surveys.¹ Where a cell size is one or two, and in instances where the distribution of zeroes in a table present a risk of disclosure (e.g. where all categories in a column/row except one contain zeroes meaning the reader would know that all members of a particular group belong to that category), then measures have been taken to hide that information. In data tables where there is a risk of disclosure, rounding has been applied to the nearest ten (i.e. zero or ten) for all count cells in the table. Percentages are preserved at their actual values. The affected tables are marked to highlight that rounding has been applied.

The data tables are structured following the Fit for Work Process Evaluation report and mirror the structure of the main report.

- Chapter 2 presents findings from the employer and employee surveys about their attitudes to work and sickness absence.
- Chapter 3 presents the evidence about awareness and understanding of the service among employers and GPs, and explores referrals to the service, including the process of gaining consent to refer.
- Chapter 4 details the findings about the occupational health assessment, including the assessment coverage and findings, and employer contact with case managers.
- Chapter 5 covers the employee and employer experience of the Return to Work Plan (RtWP), including the recommendations contained in the RtWPs and whether or not they are implemented and the reasons for this.
- Chapter 6 examines the reasons employees are discharged from the service, and what affects drop out, both prior to receiving an assessment and afterwards.
- Chapter 7 reports on the outcomes of the Fit for Work service, such as employees returning to work, retention in employment and changes to health and well-being.
- Chapter 8 looks at employer and employee perceptions of the added value of the service, and their suggestions for its improvement.
- Chapter 9 presents data gathered about the Fit for Work advisory services.
- The Research tools for the surveys and the qualitative research are contained in the Appendices.

¹ https://gss.civilservice.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/Guidance-for-tables-produced-from-surveys.pdf https://gss.civilservice.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/Guidance-for-tables-produced-from-administrative-sources.pdf

2 Attitudes to work and sickness absence

2.1 Employee attitudes to work and sickness absence

TA Table 2.1 Taking everything into consideration, how satisfied were you with the job you were doing before you went on sick leave? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental health		MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Satisfied	174	51	335	84	230	78	743	71
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	36	11	30	7	40	14	107	10
Dissatisfied	129	38	36	9	24	8	193	19
Total	339	100	401	100	294	100	1,043	100

Base: All respondents reporting health condition with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,034). All respondents reporting whether or not they were satisfied in their job before they went on sick leave (N=1,043). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.2 Taking everything into consideration, how satisfied were you with the job you were doing before you went on sick leave? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Under 35		35-54		55+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Satisfied	160	62	377	71	202	81	743	71
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	45	17	46	9	16	6	107	10
Dissatisfied	53	21	108	20	32	13	193	19
Total	258	100	531	100	250	100	1,043	100

Base: All respondents providing age (N=1,038). All respondents reporting whether or not they were satisfied in their job before they went on sick leave (N=1,043). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.3 Was the health condition you had when you had contact with Fit for Work either caused by or made worse by work? By referral route (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included							
Categories	GP	Employer	All				
	%	%	%				
Yes caused by	30	19	22				
Yes made worse by	51	46	47				
Not caused by/made worse by	27	41	38				
Base	263	752	1,045				

Base: All respondents reporting referral route (N=1,015). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.4 Was the health condition you had when you had contact with Fit for Work either caused by or made worse by work? By health condition (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included				
Categories	Mental health	MSK	Other	All
	%	%	%	%
Yes caused by	33	23	7	22
Yes made worse by	56	49	36	47
Not caused by/made worse by	21	35	60	38
Base	340	400	295	1,045

Base: All respondents giving health condition (N=1,035). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.5 Was the health condition you had when you had contact with Fit for Work either caused by or made worse by work? By age (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included									
Categories	Under 35	35-54	55+	All					
	%	%	%	%					
Yes caused by	19	24	18	22					
Yes made worse by	53	46	43	47					
Not caused by/made worse by	34	37	44	38					
Base	259	531	250	1,045					

Base: All respondents reporting age (N=1,038). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.6 Was the health condition you had when you had contact with Fit for Work either caused by or made worse by work? By gender (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included									
Categories	Male	Female	All						
	%	%	%						
Yes caused by	26	19	22						
Yes made worse by	45	49	47						
Not caused by/made worse by	37	37 38							
Base	449	596	1,045						

Base: All respondents (N=1,045). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.7 Was the health condition you had when you had contact with Fit for Work either caused by or made worse by work? By ethnicity (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included									
Categories	White	BME	All						
	%	%	%						
Yes caused by	20	30	22						
Yes made worse by	48	44	47						
Not caused by/made worse by	38	36	38						
Base	886	138	1,045						

Base: All respondents reporting ethnicity (N=1,028). All respondents (N=1,045).

Unweighted.

TA Table 2.8 Was the health condition you had when you had contact with Fit for Work either caused by or made worse by work? By whether received a Fit for Work assessment (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included			
Categories	Received an assessment	Did not receive an assessment	All
	%	%	%
Yes caused by	23	15	22
Yes made worse by	48	45	47
Not caused by/made worse by	36	46	38
Base	897	119	1,045

Base: All respondents reporting whether they recalled having an assessment (N=1,014). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.9 Was the health condition you had when you had contact with Fit for Work either caused by or made worse by work? By whether back at work (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included			
Categories	Returned to work	Not returned to work	All
	%	%	%
Yes caused by	21	22	22
Yes made worse by	45	51	47
Not caused by/made worse by	41	33	38
Base	679	366	1,045

Base: All respondents (N=1,045). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

TA Table 2.10 How concerned were or are you about loss of pay while on sickness absence? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	Under 35		35-54		55+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Concerned	207	80	377	72	164	66	750	72	
Unconcerned	39	15	110	21	70	28	220	21	
Neither	12	5	40	8	13	5	66	6	
Total	258	100	527	100	247	100	1,036	100	

Base: All respondents giving age (N=1,031). All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,037). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.11 How concerned were or are you about loss of pay while on sickness absence? By referral route (Weighted data)

Categories	G	Р	Emp	loyer	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Concerned	174	66	549	74	750	72
Unconcerned	66	25	152	20	220	21
Neither	22	8	44	6	66	6
Total	262	100	745	100	1,036	100

Base: All respondents reporting referral route (N=1,007). All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,037). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.12 How concerned were or are you about loss of job while on sickness absence? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	Under 35		35-54		55+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Concerned	173	67	341	65	143	58	660	64	
Unconcerned	60	23	142	27	83	34	285	28	
Neither	25	10	44	8	19	8	90	9	
Total	258	100	527	100	245	100	1,035	100	

Base: All respondents giving age (N=1,030). All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,035). Unweighted.

TA Table 2.13 How concerned were or are you about your boss's reaction while on sickness absence? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	Under 35		35-54		55+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Concerned	150	59	294	56	115	47	561	55	
Unconcerned	66	26	171	33	109	44	347	34	
Neither	37	15	57	11	23	9	118	12	
Total	253	100	522	100	247	100	1,026	100	

Base: All respondents giving age (N=1,022). All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,028). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.14 How concerned were or are you about your boss's reaction while on sickness absence? By gender (Weighted data)

Categories	Ma	ale	Fen	nale	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Concerned	205	46	356	61	561	55
Unconcerned	177	40	170	29	347	34
Neither	59	13	59	10	118	12
Total	441	100	585	100	1,026	100

Base: All respondents giving gender (N=1,026). All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,028). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.15 How concerned were or are you about your boss's reaction while on sickness absence? By health (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental	Mental health		MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Concerned	195	59	213	53	147	50	561	55	
Unconcerned	95	29	145	36	107	37	347	34	
Neither	40	12	41	10	34	12	118	12	
Total	330	100	399	100	288	100	1,027	100	

Base: All respondents giving health with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,017). All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,028). Unweighted.

TA Table 2.16 How concerned were or are you about the extra burden on colleagues while on sickness absence? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	Under 35		35-54		55+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Concerned	156	60	314	60	127	52	599	58	
Unconcerned	60	23	138	26	81	33	281	27	
Neither	42	16	72	14	36	14	151	15	
Total	258	100	524	100	244	100	1,025	100	

Base: All respondents giving age (N=1,025). All respondents reporting concern about burdening colleagues (N=1,025), 'don't know' responses excluded. Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.17 How concerned were or are you about the extra burden on colleagues while on sickness absence? By gender (Weighted data)

Categories	Ma	ale	Fen	nale	Al	I
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Concerned	214	48	385	65	599	58
Unconcerned	76	17	128	22	281	27
Neither	153	35	75	13	151	15
Total	443	100	588	100	1,031	100

Base: All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,031). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.18 How concerned were or are you about the effect on your employer's business while on sickness absence? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	Under 35		35-54		55+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Concerned	82	32	220	42	95	39	400	39	
Unconcerned	109	43	194	37	105	43	410	40	
Neither	63	25	109	21	43	18	216	21	
Total	254	100	523	100	243	100	1,025	100	

Base: All respondents giving age (N=1,020). All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,025). Unweighted.

TA Table 2.19 How concerned were or are you about the effect on your employer's business while on sickness absence? By gender (Weighted data)

Categories	Ma	ale	Fem	ale	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Concerned	139	31	260	45	400	39	
Unconcerned	211	48	199	34	410	40	
Neither	93	21	123	21	216	21	
Total	443	100	582	100	1,025	100	

Base: All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,025). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.20 How concerned were or are you about the effect on your employer's business while on sickness absence? By ethnicity (Weighted data)

Categories	Wh	nite	ВМ	ΛE	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Concerned	327	37	64	49	400	38	
Unconcerned	364	42	40	31	410	40	
Neither	186	21	26	20	216	21	
Total	877	100	130	100	1,025	100	

Base: All respondents giving ethnicity (N=1,007). All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,025). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.21 How concerned were or are you about the effect on your employer's business while on sickness absence? By referral route (Weighted data)

Categories	G	Р	Emp	loyer	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Concerned	86	33	298	40	400	39	
Unconcerned	109	42	292	40	410	40	
Neither	64	25	149	20	216	21	
Total	259	100	739	100	1,025	100	

Base: All respondents giving referral route with 'don't know' excluded (N=998). All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,025). Unweighted.

TA Table 2.22 How concerned were or are you about the effect on your employer's business while on sickness absence? By whether back at work (Weighted data)

Categories	Returned to work		Not ret to w		All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Concerned	241	36	158	43	400	39	
Unconcerned	285	43	125	35	410	40	
Neither	139	21	77	21	216	21	
Total	665	100	360 100		1,025	100	

Base: All respondents stating whether back at work with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,025). All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,025). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.23 How concerned were or are you about how you would be treated by colleagues when you went back to work while on sickness absence? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Under 35		35	35-54		55+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Concerned	129	50	219	43	75	31	423	42	
Unconcerned	79	31	221	43	146	61	448	44	
Neither	50	19	73	14	20	8	144	14	
Total	258	100	513	100	241	100	1,014	100	

Base: All respondents giving age with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,012). All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,014). Unweighted.

TA Table 2.24 How concerned were or are you about how you would be treated by colleagues when you went back to work while on sickness absence? By gender (Weighted data)

Categories	Ma	ale	Fen	nale	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Concerned	147	34	276	48	423	42	
Unconcerned	220	51	228	39	448	44	
Neither	68	16	76	13	144	14	
Total	435	100	580	100	1,014	100	

Base: All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,014). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.25 How concerned were or are you about how you would be treated by colleagues when you went back to work while on sickness absence? By ethnicity (Weighted data)

Categories	Wh	nite	ВМ	ИΕ	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Concerned	341	40	70	52	423	42	
Unconcerned	395	46	48	36	448	44	
Neither	127	15	16	12	144	14	
Total	863	100	134	100	1,014	100	

Base: All respondents giving ethnicity with 'don't know' excluded (N=998). All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,014). Unweighted.

TA Table 2.26 How concerned were or are you about how you would be treated by colleagues when you went back to work while on sickness absence? By health (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental	Mental health		MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Concerned	198	60	127	32	95	33	423	42	
Unconcerned	98	30	198	51	150	53	448	44	
Neither	36	11	66	17	40	14	144	14	
Total	332	100	391	100	285	100	1,014	100	

Base: All respondents giving health condition with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,008). All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=1,014). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

2.1.1 Employer views of sickness absence

TA Table 2.27 To what extent do you agree that the level of long-term sickness absence is high? By employer size (Weighted data)

Categories	More than 50 employees		50-249 employees		250+ employees		Д	All .
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Strongly agree	3	2	4	3	13	7	19	4
Agree	10	8	11	7	41	21	64	13
Neither agree nor disagree	7	5	18	12	35	18	60	12
Disagree	55	42	71	47	81	41	210	43
Strongly disagree	55	42	47	31	28	14	133	27
Total	130	100	151	100	198	100	486	100

Base: All respondents giving employer size with 'don't know' excluded (N=479). All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=486). Unweighted.

TA Table 2.28 To what extent do you agree that long-term sick leave is well managed? By whether has an occupational health service (Weighted data)

Categories	Has OH	service	No OH s	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Strongly agree	78	33	95	37	173	35
Agree	136	57	122	47	258	52
Neither agree nor disagree	19	8	21	8	40	8
Disagree/Strongly disagree	5	2	19	7	23	5
Total	238	100	257	37	494	100

Base: All respondents with 'don't know' excluded (N=494). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employer survey.

2.1.2 Employee confidence at returning to work

TA Table 2.29 Before you first had contact with the service, how confident were you that you would be able to return to work after your sickness absence, to the job you were in at the time? By gender (Weighted data)

Categories	Male		Fen	nale	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very confident	121	27	104	18	224	22
Fairly confident	91	20	150	26	241	23
Neither confident nor unconfident	74	17	80	14	154	15
Fairly unconfident	70	16	112	19	181	18
Very unconfident	90	20	141	24	231	22
Total	446	100	587	100	1,031	100

Base: All respondents (N=1,045). All respondents reporting confidence in ability to return to job they were in at that time (N=1,033), 'don't know' responses excluded. Unweighted.

TA Table 2.30 Before you first had contact with the service, how confident were you that you would be able to return to work after your sickness absence, to the job you were in at the time? By referral route (Weighted data)

Categories	GP		Emp	loyer	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very confident	45	17	167	23	224	22
Fairly confident	56	21	182	25	241	23
Neither confident nor unconfident	47	18	105	14	154	15
Fairly unconfident	55	21	122	16	181	18
Very unconfident	59	23	165	22	231	22
Total	262	100	741	100	1,031	100

Base: All respondents giving referral route (N=1,003). All respondents reporting confidence in ability to return to job they were in at that time (N=1,033), 'don't know' responses excluded. Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.31 Before you first had contact with the service, how confident were you that you would be able to return to work after your sickness absence, to the job you were in at the time? By whether received a Fit for Work assessment (Weighted data)

Categories	Received an assessment			ceived essment	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Very confident	173	19	44	37	224	21	
Fairly confident	215	24	19	16	241	23	
Neither confident nor unconfident	135	15	15	13	154	15	
Fairly unconfident	166	18	12	10	181	17	
Very unconfident	200	22	25	21	231	22	
Don't know	7	1	5	4	13	1	
Total	897	100	119	100	1,045	100	

Base: All respondents recalling assessment process (N=1,014). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

TA Table 2.32 Before you first had contact with the service, how confident were you that you would be able to return to work after your sickness absence, to the job you were in at the time? By whether returned to work (Weighted data)

Categories	Returned to work		Not retu	irned to	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Very confident	173	25	51	14	224	21	
Fairly confident	176	26	65	18	241	23	
Neither confident nor unconfident	90	13	64	17	154	15	
Fairly unconfident	123	18	59	16	181	17	
Very unconfident	109	16	122	33	231	22	
Don't know	8	1	5	1	13	1	
Total	679	100	366	100	1,045	100	

Base: All respondents stating return to work status (N=1,045). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.33 Before you first had contact with the service, how confident were you that you would be able to return to work after your sickness absence, to the job you were in at the time? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental	health	MS	SK	Otl	ner	А	II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very confident	47	14	93	23	82	28	224	21
Fairly confident	71	21	100	25	70	24	241	23
Neither confident nor unconfident	49	15	55	14	48	16	154	15
Fairly unconfident	65	19	70	17	45	15	181	17
Very unconfident	104	31	79	20	46	16	231	22
Don't know	3	1	4	1	3	1	13	1
Total	340	100	400	100	295	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents giving health condition (N=1,035). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

TA Table 2.34 Before you first had contact with the service, how confident were you that you would be able to return to any job whether with your existing employer or elsewhere? By gender (Weighted data)

Categories	Ma	ale	Fen	nale	А	II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very confident	157	35	148	25	305	29
Fairly confident	123	27	164	28	286	27
Neither confident nor unconfident	49	11	91	15	140	13
Fairly unconfident	54	12	97	16	152	15
Very unconfident	59	13	88	15	147	14
Don't know	4	1	9	2	13	1
Total	449	100	596	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents giving gender (N=1,045). All respondents (N=1,045).

Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.35 Before you first had contact with the service, how confident were you that you would be able to return to any job whether with your existing employer or elsewhere? By referral route (Weighted data)

Categories	G	P	Emp	loyer	А	II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very confident	70	25	230	30	310	29
Fairly confident	70	25	220	29	290	27
Neither confident nor unconfident	50	19	90	12	140	13
Fairly unconfident	50	17	100	14	150	15
Very unconfident	30	12	110	14	150	14
Don't know	0	1	10	1	10	1
Total	260	100	750	100	1,050	100

Base: All respondents reporting referral route (N=1,017). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 2.36 Before you first had contact with the service, how confident were you that you would be able to return to any job whether with your existing employer or elsewhere? By whether received a Fit for Work assessment (Weighted data)

Categories	Received an assessment			ceived essment	А	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %		
Very confident	248	28	48	40	305	29		
Fairly confident	251	28	28	23	286	27		
Neither confident nor unconfident	126	14	8	7	140	13		
Fairly unconfident	134	15	14	11	152	15		
Very unconfident	125	14	20	17	147	14		
Don't know	7	1	5	4	13	1		
Total	897	100	119	100	1,045	100		

Base: All respondents recalling assessment (N=1,014). All respondents (N=1,045).

Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.37 Before you first had contact with the service, how confident were you that you would be able to return to any job whether with your existing employer or elsewhere? By occupation (Weighted data)

	Managers and			Admin, skilled trades and		Sales, process and elementary		
	professionals		ca	rers	occup	ations	А	II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very confident	100	39	100	27	100	25	310	29
Fairly confident	60	24	110	30	120	27	290	27
Neither confident nor unconfident	30	11	50	14	60	14	140	13
Fairly unconfident	40	15	50	13	60	15	150	15
Very unconfident	30	10	50	14	70	16	150	14
Don't know	0	1	10	1	10	2	20	1
Total	260	100	370	100	420	100	1,050	1

Base: All respondents reporting occupation (N=1,045). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 2.38 Before you first had contact with the service, how confident were you that you would be able to return to any job whether with your existing employer or elsewhere? By whether back at work (Weighted data)

Categories	Returned to work			turned /ork	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very confident	216	32	89	24	305	29
Fairly confident	212	31	74	20	286	27
Neither confident nor unconfident	80	12	60	16	140	13
Fairly unconfident	101	15	50	14	152	15
Very unconfident	65	10	82	22	147	14
Don't know	5	1	10	3	15	1
Total	679	100	366	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents giving return to work status (N=1,045). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 2.39 Before you first had contact with the service, how confident were you that you would be able to return to any job whether with your existing employer or elsewhere? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental	health	MS	SK	Otl	ner	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very confident	84	25	130	32	88	30	305	29
Fairly confident	92	27	117	29	72	25	286	27
Neither confident nor unconfident	56	17	37	9	47	16	140	13
Fairly unconfident	56	16	57	14	37	13	152	15
Very unconfident	50	15	55	14	42	14	147	14
Don't know	3	1	5	1	7	3	15	1
Total	340	100	400	100	295	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents giving health condition (N=1,035). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

3 Awareness, understanding and referral

- 3.1 Awareness and understanding
- 3.1.1 GP awareness and understanding

No data tables

3.1.2 Employer awareness and understanding

TA Table 3.1 How did you first hear about Fit for Work? By sector (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included						
Categories	Energy, manufacturing, construction, transport and logistics	Retail, hospitality, leisure and creative	Business services and other	Health care and charity	Public administration and public services	All
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Via occupational health, human resources or HR services/departments or providers	30	37	[21]	28	44	34
Training courses, conferences or other external events	17	15	[7]	14	9	13
My/our own research	13	10	[15]	13	10	12
Emails and/or online marketing from Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland	11	11	[13]	7	11	11
General media including news/radio/TV	10	8	[9]	12	8	9
Other sources	16	10	[10]	10	7	7
Base	143	128	45*	58*	130	504

Base: All respondents (N=504). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

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TA Table 3.2 How did you first hear about Fit for Work? By organisation type (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included				
Categories	Private sector	Charity/ voluntary sector	Local/central government, financial body	All
	%	%	%	%
Via occupational health, human resources or HR services/ departments or providers	32	31	54	34
Training courses, conferences or other external events	13	16	9	13
My/our own research	13	12	8	12
Emails and/or online marketing from Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland	10	11	12	11
General media including news/radio/ TV	9	12	6	9
Other sources	13	8	4	7
Base	358	75*	65*	504

Base: All respondents giving organisation type (N=498). All respondents (N=504). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

3.1.3 Employee awareness and understanding

No data tables

3.1.4 Reasons for using the service

TA Table 3.3 Why did you decide to use Fit for Work? By whether have occupational health service (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included			
Categories	Access to OH service	No access to OH	All
	%	%	%
To speed up or support the employee to return to work	46	55	50
It is free to use	29	19	24
To have a medical professional assess the health condition of an employee	11	22	17
It's part of our policies/procedures	13	6	10
To try it out	11	4	7
To have an independent certification	7	7	7
Other reason	5	3	15
Base	238	252	498

Base: All respondents making a referral and giving OH (N = 490). All respondents (N = 498). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

TA Table 3.4 Why did you decide to use Fit for Work? By whether long-term sick leave is well managed (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included			
Categories	Agree	Disagree	All
	%	%	%
To speed up or support the employee to return to work	50	53	50
It is free to use	26	9	24
To have a medical professional assess the health condition of an employee	17	16	17
It's part of our policies/procedures	9	12	10
To try it out	8	0	7
To have an independent certification	7	9	7
Other reason	4	5	15
Base	426	62*	498

Base: All respondents making a referral and answering whether long-term sick is well managed (N=488). All respondents making a referral (N=498). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

3.2 Referrals

3.2.1 Number of referrals

TA Table 3.5 Regions – Referrals by quarter

Categories	Q1: Oc 20		Q2: Ja 20		Q3: Ap		Q4: Ju 20	•		ct-Dec 116	Tot	tal
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
North East	70	4	60	3	60	3	80	4	20	3	290	4
North West	230	12	220	12	240	13	290	16	70	10	1,060	13
Yorkshire and the Humber	230	12	230	13	200	11	210	11	80	11	950	12
East Midlands	210	11	170	10	180	10	160	9	60	8	770	10
West Midlands	200	11	180	10	210	11	180	10	60	9	820	10
East of England	150	8	160	9	170	9	150	8	70	11	700	9
London	160	8	180	10	220	12	210	11	80	11	850	11
South East	230	12	230	13	210	11	240	13	110	16	1,020	13
South West	230	12	170	10	170	9	180	10	80	12	830	10
Northern Ireland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Scotland	10	0	10	0	10	0	10	0	0	1	30	0
Wales	210	11	170	10	170	9	180	9	60	8	780	10
Total	1,930	100	1,780	100	1,840	100	1,890	100	690	100	8,100	100

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 3.6 Who referred you to the service? By region (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included								
Categories	England ategories and Wales Scotland							
	%	%	%					
GP	25	34	25					
Employer	73	61	72					
Don't know	3	5	3					
Base	950	91*	1,045					

Base: All respondents giving region (N=1,041). All respondents (N=1,045).

Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 3.7 Who referred you to the service? By whether back at work (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included								
Categories	Returned Not returned gories to work to work							
	%	%	%					
GP	24	28	25					
Employer	74	68	72					
Don't know	2	4	3					
Base	679	366	1,045					

Base: All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

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TA Table 3.8 Who referred you to the service? By health condition (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included									
Categories	Mental health MSK Other								
	%	%	%	%					
GP	39	20	17	25					
Employer	60	76	80	72					
Don't know	1	4	3	3					
Base	340	400	295	1,045					

Base: All respondents giving health condition (N=1,035). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 3.9 Who referred you to the service? By Occupation (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included									
Categories	Managers and professionals	Admin, skilled trades and carers	Sales, process and elementary occupations	All					
	%	%	%	%					
GP	31	25	22	25					
Employer	69	75	78	72					
Don't know	1	3	4	3					
Base	259	366	420	1,045					

Base: All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

3.2.2 Profile of referrals

TA Table 3.10 How long had you been on sick leave when you were referred to Fit for Work? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	er 35	35-	-54	55+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Less than 1 month	31	12	49	9	17	7	96	9
1 - 2 months	104	40	185	35	80	32	371	35
3 - 4 months	70	27	126	24	58	23	255	24
5 - 6 months	12	5	31	6	19	8	62	6
6 months or more	26	10	92	17	49	20	167	16
Unsure/Don't know	17	7	49	9	27	11	94	9
Total	259	100	531	100	250	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents reporting age (N=1,038). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 3.11 How long had you been on sick leave when you were referred to Fit for Work? By referral route (Weighted data)

Categories	G	iΡ	Emp	loyer	Al	I
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Less than 1 month	49	19	42	6	96	9
1 - 2 months	93	35	272	36	371	35
3 - 4 months	54	21	197	26	255	24
5 - 6 months	13	5	47	6	62	6
6 months or more	38	15	121	16	167	16
Unsure/Don't know	16	6	72	10	94	9
Total	263	100	752	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents reporting referral route (N=1,017). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

TA Table 3.12 How long had you been on sick leave when you were referred to Fit for Work? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental	health	MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Less than 1 month	39	12	32	8	24	8	96	9
1 - 2 months	148	43	137	34	83	28	371	35
3 - 4 months	73	21	106	26	73	25	255	24
5 - 6 months	11	3	27	7	24	8	62	6
6 months or more	43	13	63	16	60	20	167	16
Unsure/Don't know	26	8	35	9	31	11	94	9
Total	340	100	400	100	295	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents (N=1,035). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 3.13 Including that period, how long in total were you on sick leave during the 12 months before you were referred to Fit for Work? By age Weighted data)

Categories	Under 35		35-	-54	4 55+		Total over 12 months	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Less than 1 month	15	6	25	5	9	4	49	5
1 - 2 months	87	34	143	27	57	23	288	28
3 - 4 months	65	25	125	24	57	23	249	24
5 - 6 months	18	7	51	10	25	10	95	9
6 months or more	51	20	127	24	67	27	245	23
Unsure/Don't know	23	9	60	11	34	14	120	11
Total	259	100	531	100	250	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents reporting age (N=1,038). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

TA Table 3.14 Including that period, how long in total were you on sick leave during the 12 months before you were referred to Fit for Work? By referral route (Weighted data)

Categories	GP		Emp	loyer	Total over 12 months	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Less than 1 month	26	10	21	3	49	5
1 - 2 months	81	31	203	27	288	28
3 - 4 months	54	20	190	25	249	24
5 - 6 months	16	6	76	10	95	9
6 months or more	60	23	176	23	245	23
Unsure/Don't know	26	10	87	12	120	11
Total	263	100	752	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents reporting referral route (N=1,017). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 3.15 Including that period, how long in total were you on sick leave during the 12 months before you were referred to Fit for Work? By whether back at work (Weighted data)

Categories		Returned to work		turned /ork	Total over 12 months	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Less than 1 month	37	5	12	3	49	5
1 - 2 months	216	32	72	20	288	28
3 - 4 months	177	26	72	20	249	24
5 - 6 months	68	10	27	7	95	9
6 months or more	114	17	131	36	245	23
Unsure/Don't know	67	10	52	14	120	11
Total	679	100	366	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents giving return to work status (N=1,045). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

TA Table 3.16 Including that period, how long in total were you on sick leave during the 12 months before you were referred to Fit for Work? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental	health	alth MSK		Other		Total over 12 months	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Less than 1 month	19	6	19	5	10	3	49	5
1 - 2 months	118	35	110	28	57	19	288	28
3 - 4 months	80	24	92	23	74	25	249	24
5 - 6 months	24	7	45	11	26	9	95	9
6 months or more	66	19	93	23	87	30	245	23
Unsure/Don't know	33	10	42	10	40	14	120	11
Total	340	100	400	100	295	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents reporting health condition (N=1,035). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

Employer characteristics

TA Table 3.17 Employer Occupational Sector, by nation England and Wales and Scotland

Categories	England a	nd Wales	Scotland		
		Col		Col	
	N	%	N	%	
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	39	1	6	1	
Banking and finance	105	2	23	4	
Construction	111	2	22	3	
Distribution, hotels and restaurants	409	8	21	3	
Energy and water	48	1	18	3	
Manufacturing	351	7	12	2	
Other services	2,472	48	414	64	
Public admin, education and health	1,383	27	113	17	
Retail and wholesale	-	-	4	1	
Transport and communications	196	4	16	2	
Total	5,114	100	649	100	
Missing	3,372		368		

Notes: '-' indicates that field not used in England and Wales.

Source: English and Welsh management information, Scottish management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 3.18 Employer size, by nation

Categories	England ar	nd Wales	Scotland		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Very Large (500+)	2,563	50	358	58	
Large (250-499)	655	13	57	9	
Medium (50-249)	1,092	21	108	18	
Small (10-49)	664	13	70	11	
Micro (1-9)	134	3	24	4	
Total	5,108	100	617	100	
Missing	3,378		400		

Source: English and Welsh management information, Scottish management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 3.19 Employer type, by nation

Categories	England a	ınd Wales	Scotland		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	
A private sector business	3,855	77	350	63	
A public sector business	918	18	147	26	
A voluntary/not for profit organisation	252	5	59	11	
Total	5,025	100	556	100	
Missing	3,461		461		

Source: English and Welsh management information, Scottish management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

3.2.3 GP views of the referral system

No data tables

3.2.4 Employer views of the referral system

No data tables

3.2.5 Experience of gaining consent to make a referral

Employer experience

No tables

Employee experience

TA Table 3.20 To what extent did you feel it was your choice whether to use the service? By referral route (Weighted data)

Categories	G	iΡ	Emp	loyer	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Entirely your choice	80	31	130	17	230	22
Mainly your choice	60	22	100	13	160	15
Partly your choice	70	27	230	31	310	29
Not your choice at all	50	19	280	37	340	33
Don't know	0	0	10	1	10	1
Total	260	100	750	100	1,050	100

Base: All respondents giving a referral route (N=1,017). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 3.21 To what extent did you feel it was your choice whether to use the service? By whether received a Fit for Work assessment (Weighted data)

Categories	Received an assessment			ceived essment	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Entirely your choice	210	23	10	10	230	22	
Mainly your choice	140	15	20	15	160	15	
Partly your choice	260	29	30	32	310	29	
Not your choice at all	280	31	50	42	340	33	
Don't know	10	1	0	2	10	1	
Total	900	100	120	100	1,050	100	

Base: All respondents recalling assessment (N=1,014). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 3.22 To what extent did you feel it was your choice whether to use the service? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental health		MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Entirely your choice	100	29	70	18	50	18	230	22
Mainly your choice	50	15	60	16	40	14	160	15
Partly your choice	100	30	110	27	100	32	310	29
Not your choice at all	80	25	150	38	100	34	340	33
Don't know	0	1	10	1	0	1	10	1
Total	340	100	400	100	300	100	1,050	100

Base: All respondents (N=1,035). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 3.23 To what extent did you feel it was your choice whether to use the service? By whether back at work (Weighted data)

Categories	Returned to work			turned vork	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Entirely your choice	166	24	61	17	227	22	
Mainly your choice	108	16	50	14	158	15	
Partly your choice	204	30	104	28	308	29	
Not your choice at all	194	29	147	40	341	33	
Don't know	7	1	4	1	11	1	
Total	679	100	366	100	1,045	100	

Base: All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

TA Table 3.24 To what extent did you feel it was your choice whether to use the service? By whether received Return to Work Plan (RtWP) (Weighted data)

Categories	Received an RtWP			receive RtWP	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Entirely your choice	195	24	13	19	227	22	
Mainly your choice	133	16	4	7	158	15	
Partly your choice	234	29	18	27	308	29	
Not your choice at all	246	30	28	43	341	33	
Don't know	5	1	3	5	11	1	
Total	813	100	66	100	1,045	100	

Base: All respondents who had received an assessment (N=877), All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 3.25 How did you feel about being referred to Fit for Work? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	Under 35		35-54		55+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Very concerned	13	5	39	7	25	10	78	8	
Fairly concerned	46	18	91	17	55	23	191	19	
Neither concerned nor unconcerned	71	28	111	21	43	18	227	22	
Fairly unconcerned	67	26	155	30	65	27	290	28	
Very unconcerned	58	23	126	24	56	23	240	23	
Total	255	100	522	100	244	100	1,026	100	

Base: All respondents giving an age (N=1,019). All respondents (N=1,026). 'Don't know' has been excluded. Unweighted.

TA Table 3.26 How did you feel about being referred to Fit for Work? By ethnicity (Weighted data)

Categories	Wh	nite	ВМ	ΛE	А	II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very concerned	58	7	20	15	78	7
Fairly concerned	152	17	34	25	191	18
Neither concerned nor unconcerned	193	22	27	20	227	22
Fairly unconcerned	249	29	34	25	290	28
Very unconcerned	217	25	22	16	240	23
Total	869	100	137	100	1,026	100

Base: All respondents reporting ethnicity (N=1,010). All respondents (N=1,026). 'Don't know' has been excluded. Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 3.27 How did you feel about being referred to Fit for Work? By referral route (Weighted data)

Categories	G	P	Emp	loyer	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Very concerned	10	4	61	8	78	7	
Fairly concerned	33	13	155	21	191	18	
Neither concerned nor unconcerned	65	25	153	21	227	22	
Fairly unconcerned	77	30	208	28	290	28	
Very unconcerned	73	29	163	22	240	23	
Total	256	100	740	100	1,026	100	

Base: All respondents reporting referral route (N=997). All respondents (N=1,026). 'Don't know' has been excluded. Unweighted.

3.2.6 Timing of referral

TA Table 3.28 Did you think the referral came at the right time for you, too early or too late? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	er 35	35-	-54	5	5+	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Right time	140	54	299	56	139	56	580	56	
Too early	35	14	94	18	41	17	172	16	
Too late	66	25	80	15	32	13	179	17	
Don't know	18	7	58	11	38	15	114	11	
Total	259	100	531	100	250	100	1,045	100	

Base: All respondents giving an age (N=1,038). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 3.29 Did you think the referral came at the right time for you, too early or too late? By whether they received a Fit for Work assessment (Weighted data)

Categories		Received an assessment		eived an sment	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Right time	529	59	38	32	580	56	
Too early	141	16	25	21	172	16	
Too late	136	15	40	34	179	17	
Don't know	91	10	15	13	114	11	
Total	897	897 100		119 100		100	

Base: All respondents recalling whether they had an assessment (N=1,014). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

TA Table 3.30 Did you think the referral came at the right time for you, too early or too late? By whether they had an RtWP (Weighted data)

Categories		d an WP		ot have RtWP	А	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %		
Right time	493	61	29	44	580	56		
Too early	119	15	15	24	172	16		
Too late	118	15	13	21	179	17		
Don't know	82	10	8	12	114	11		
Total	813	100	66*	100	1,045	100		

Base: All respondents who had an assessment (N=877). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 3.31 Did you think the referral came at the right time for you, too early or too late? By whether they returned to work (Weighted data)

Categories	Retu to w	rned /ork		turned vork	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Right time	423	62	157	43	580	56	
Too early	81	12	91	25	172	16	
Too late	122	18	57	16	179	17	
Don't know	53	8	61	17	114	11	
Total	679	100	366	100	1,045	100	

Base: All respondents who gave return to work status (N=1,045). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

4 The Assessment

4.1 Process of assessment

4.1.1 The profile of employees receiving an assessment

TA Table 4.1 Did employees receive an assessment? By main health condition, England and Wales

Categories	Mental	Health	MS	SK	Oth	er	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Received an assessment	1,563	55	1,575	61	1,846	60	4,984	59	
Did not receive an assessment	1,280	45	1,008	39	1,214	40	3,502	41	
Total	2,843	100	2,583	100	3,060	100	8,486	100	

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016, where disability data was available.

TA Table 4.2 Did referred employees receive an assessment? By referral route - England and Wales

Categories	Emplo	oyer	GF)	Al	l
		Col		Col		Col
	N	%	Ν	%	N	%
Received an assessment	3,701	65	1,283	45	4,984	59
Did not receive an assessment	1,965	35	1,537	55	3,502	41
Total	5,666	100	2,820	100	8,486	100

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 4.3 Did referred employees receive an assessment? By referral route – Scotland

Categories	Emp	loyer	G	Р	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Received an assessment	341	60	213	47	554	54	
Did not receive an assessment	226	40	237	53	463	46	
Total	567	100	450	100	1,017	100	

Source: Scottish management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016

TA Table 4.4 Did referred employees receive an assessment? By age range, England and Wales

Categories	16-24		25-34		35-44		45-54		55-64		65+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %								
Received an assessment	247	49	928	56	1,010	57	1,451	61	1,209	63	137	59	4,982	59
Did not receive an assessment	253	51	735	44	759	43	929	39	699	37	96	41	3,471	41
Total	500	100	1,663	100	1,769	100	2,380	100	1,908	100	233	100	8,453	100

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 4.5 Did referred employees receive an assessment? By age range, Scotland

Categories	16	6-24 25-34		-34	4 35-44		45-54		55-64		65+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Received an assessment	35	45	116	53	122	54	158	58	114	56	7	58	552	54
Did not receive an assessment	43	55	104	47	105	46	114	42	91	44	5	42	462	46
Total	78	100	220	100	227	100	272	100	205	100	12	100	1,014	100

Source: Scottish management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016, where age data was available.

TA Table 4.6 Did referred employees receive an assessment? By gender, England and Wales

Categories	Fem	Female		le	Ot	her		er not say	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Received an assessment	2,871	60	2,105	57	3	43	5	63	4,984	59	
Did not receive an assessment	1,884	40	1,611	43	4	57	3	38	3,502	41	
Total	4,755	100	3,716	100	7	100	8	100	8,486	100	

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 4.7 Did referred employees receive an assessment? By gender, Scotland

Categories	Fen	nale	Ma	ale	Al	I
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Received an assessment	323	53	231	56	554	54
Did not receive an assessment	284	47	179	44	463	46
Total	607	100	410	100	1,017	100

Source: Scottish management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 4.8 Did they receive an assessment? By ethnicity, England and Wales

Categories	Wh	ite	ВМ	ЛE	Al	I
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Received an assessment	4,283	98	701	96	4,984	98
Did not receive an assessment	101	2	26	4	127	2
Total	4,384	100	727	100	5,111	100

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 4.9 Did they receive an assessment? By ethnicity, Scotland

Categories	Wh	nite	В	ME	Α	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Received an assessment	536	89	13	72	549	89
Did not receive an assessment	66	11	5	28	71	11
Total	602	100	18	100	620	100

Source: Scottish management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016, where ethnicity data was available.

TA Table 4.10 Did they receive an assessment? By whether they have a disability, Scotland

Categories	N	О		er not say	Ye	es	Δ	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %		
Received an assessment	420	90	20	92	80	82	520	88		
Did not receive an assessment	50	10	0	8	20	18	70	12		
Total	470	100	20	100	100	100	590	100		

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Scottish management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016, where disability data was available.

TA Table 4.11 Did employees receive an assessment? By whether they have a disability, England and Wales

Categories	No dis	ability	Prefe to	bility	А	II		
	N	Col	N	Col	N	Col	N	Col
Received an assessment	3,640	98	40	95	1,310	97	4,980	98
Did not receive an assessment	80	2	0	5	40	3	120	2
Total	3,720	100	40	100	1,350	100	5,110	100

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016, where disability data was available.

4.1.2 Number of assessments

TA Table 4.12 How many assessments did you have? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	er 35	35-	-54	55	5+	Α	All .
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
1	130	59	236	50	98	48	446	52
2	46	21	89	19	38	19	174	19
3	25	11	69	15	37	18	131	15
4	10	5	42	9	18	9	71	8
5	5	2	12	3	7	3	24	3
6+	5	2	23	5	5	1	30	3
Total	220	100	471	100	202	100	897	100

Base: All who had an assessment and reported age (N=895). All respondents (N=895). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 4.13 How many assessments did you have? By whether returned to work (Weighted data)

Categories	Retu to w	rned /ork		turned vork	А	All .
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
1	332	57	134	43	446	52
2	115	20	59	19	174	19
3	72	12	59	19	131	15
4	37	6	34	11	71	8
5	14	2	9	3	24	3
6+	16	2	16	5	30	3
Total	586	100	311	100	897	100

Base: All who had an assessment and reported return to work status (N=891). All respondents (N=895). Unweighted.

4.1.3 Assessment mode

TA Table 4.14 Were you happy with your first assessment being conducted by telephone/face-to-face? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	er 35	35-	-54	55	5+	А	\II
	Col N %		N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Happy with format	197	90	409	87	168	83	777	87
Would have preferred face-to-face	21	10	60	13	32	16	114	13
Would have preferred telephone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	218	100	469	100	200	100	891	100

Base: All who had an assessment and reported age with 'don't know' removed (N=887). All who had an assessment (N=891). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 4.15 Were you happy with your first assessment being conducted by telephone/face-to-face? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Me Hea		Ms	3K	Otl	ner	Д	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Happy with format	266	87	288	85	218	92	777	87
Would have preferred face-to-face	41	13	52	15	20	8	114	13
Would have preferred telephone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	307	100	340	100	238	100	891	100

Base: All who had an assessment and reported health condition with 'don't know' removed (N=885). All respondents who had an assessment with 'don't know' removed (N=891). Unweighted.

4.1.4 Assessment coverage

TA Table 4.16 Did your assessment cover the following... By ethnicity (Weighted data)

Categories			W	hite			ВМЕ					
	Ye	es	No N		Not	Not sure		Yes		No.	Not sure	
	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %
Your general attitudes to your health and your work	713	93	28	4	24	3	98	87	10	9	5	4
Discussion of your physical and/or mental health, and the effect this may have on your work	728	95	25	3	12	2	99	87	12	11	3	3
Discussion about any difficulties at work that might act as obstacles to you getting back to work	725	95	32	4	8	1	98	87	11	10	4	3
Total	765				113							

Base: All who had an assessment and reported ethnicity (N=880). Unweighted.

TA Table 4.17 Did your assessment cover the following... By age (Weighted data)

Categories			Und	ler 35					35	5-54					5	5+		
	Υ	es	ı	No	Not	Not sure		es	1	No	Not	sure	Υ	es	١	10	Not	sure
	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %
Your general attitudes to your health and your work	201	92	11	5	8	4	430	91	22	5	19	4	189	94	8	4	5	2
Discussion of your physical and/or mental health, and the effect this may have on your work	213	97	7	3	0	0	441	94	21	4	9	2	187	92	11	5	5	3
Discussion about any difficulties at work that might act as obstacles to you getting back to work	209	95	6	3	5	2	446	95	21	4	4	1	181	90	18	9	4	2
Other personal difficulties outside work that might act as obstacles to you getting back to work	174	79	35	16	40	4	371	79	84	18	16	3	140	69	49	24	13	6
Total	220					471					202							

Base: All who had an assessment and reported age (N=891). Unweighted.

TA Table 4.18 Did your assessment cover the following... By whether back at work (Weighted data)

Categories		Returned to work						Not returned to work					
	Yes			No	No	t sure	Y	es		No		Not sure	
	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	
Your general attitudes to your health and your work	542	93	23	4	20	3	280	90	18	6	13	4	
Discussion of your physical and/or mental health, and the effect this may have on your work	557	95	19	3	9	2	286	92	19	6	6	2	
Discussion about any difficulties at work that might act as obstacles to you getting back to work	560	96	21	4	5	1	279	90	24	8	8	3	
Total	586 3					11							

Base: All who had an assessment and gave back to work status (N=895). Unweighted.

TA Table 4.19 To what extent do you agree or disagree that your assessment(s) covered all the issues affecting your return to work? By whether back at work (Weighted data)

Categories	Returned to work			turned vork	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Agree	543	93	274	88	817	91	
Neither agree nor disagree	15	2	13	4	27	3	
Disagree	24	4	21	7	45	5	
Total	586	100	311	100	897	100	

Base: All who had an assessment and gave return to work status (N=895). All respondents who had an assessment (N=895). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 4.20 To what extent do you agree or disagree that your assessment(s) covered all the issues affecting your return to work? By whether completed or dropped out post-assessment (Weighted data)

Categories	Comp	oleted	ро	ed out st- sment	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Agree	766	93	51	78	817	91	
Neither agree nor disagree	23	3	5	8	27	3	
Disagree	35	4	9	14	45	5	
Total	824	100	65*	100	897	100	

Base: All who had an assessment and completion status (N=889). All who had an assessment (N=895). Unweighted.

4.1.5 Assessment findings

TA Table 4.21 Combination of return to work obstacles experienced, Scotland

		Col
Categories	N	%
Health obstacles only	15	3
Work obstacles only	5	1
Health and work obstacles	120	23
Health and social obstacles	6	1
Work and social obstacles	11	2
Health, work and social obstacles	376	71
Base	533	100

Base: All assessed and identifying a health, work or social obstacle (N=533).

Source: Scottish management information, clients referred, assessed and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 4.22 Combination of return to work obstacles experienced, England and Wales

Categories	N	Col %
Health obstacles only	3,374	68
Work obstacles only	55	1
Social obstacles only	24	1
Health and work obstacles	839	17
Health and social obstacles	658	13
Base	4,950	100

Base: All assessed and identifying a health, work or social obstacle (N=4,950).

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred, assessed and discharged October 2015-December 2016, where an obstacle to work was recorded.

TA Table 4.23 Work obstacle at assessment, England and Wales, by main health condition

Multiple responses included								
Categories	Mental Health		MSK		Other		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Impact on duties	70	4	60	4	80	4	200	4
Performance management	30	2	0	0	0	0	30	1
Perceived unsympathetic employer	60	4	50	3	40	2	150	3
Impact on commute	0	0	20	1	20	1	30	1
Perceived bullying or harassment	80	5	10	0	20	1	110	2
Does not enjoy role	20	1	0	0	0	0	20	0
Other	230	14	40	3	80	5	350	7

Base: All assessed (N=4,984).

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred, assessed and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 4.24 Social obstacle at assessment, England and Wales, by main health condition

Multiple responses included											
Categories	Mental Health		MS	MSK		ner	Total				
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%			
Debt issues	50	3	70	4	80	4	190	4			
Carer	50	3	10	1	20	1	80	2			
Relationship	40	3	10	0	10	1	60	1			
Social isolation	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	0			
Language issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Bereavement	40	3	10	1	30	1	70	2			
Lack of basic skills	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Legal Issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Other home condition	110	7	80	5	90	5	270	6			

Base: All assessed (N=4,984).

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred, assessed and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

4.1.6 Employee views of the assessment

TA Table 4.25 To what extent do you agree or disagree that your assessment focused on return to work and not just your medical condition? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Und	Under 35		35-54		5+	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Agree	197	90	422	90	159	82	781	88
Neither agree nor disagree	17	7	21	4	22	11	61	7
Disagree	6	3	25	5	12	6	43	5
Total	220	100	468	100	193	100	884	100

Base: All who had an assessment and answered question ('don't know' excluded) and reported age (N=877). All who had an assessment (N=884).

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave one employee survey.

TA Table 4.26 To what extent do you agree or disagree that your assessment focused on return to work and not just your medical condition? By whether back at work (Weighted data)

Categories		Returned to work		turned /ork	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Agree	526	91	255	84	781	87
Neither agree nor disagree	31	5	30	10	61	7
Disagree	23	4	20	7	43	5
Total	580	100	305	100	884	100

Base: All who had an assessment and answered question ('don't know' excluded) and gave return to work status (N=884). All respondents who had an assessment and answered question ('don't know' excluded) (N=884). Unweighted.

TA Table 4.27 To what extent do you agree or disagree that your case manager was easy to talk to? By whether completed or dropped out post-assessment (Weighted data)

Categories	Comp	oleted	ро	ed out st- sment	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Agree	780	94	60	89	840	93	
Neither agree nor disagree	30	3	0	3	30	3	
Disagree	20	3	10	8	30	3	
Total	830	100	70*	100	890	100	

Base: All who had an assessment and reported completion status (N=889). All who had an assessment and answered question ('don't know' excluded) (N=895). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey. Note: the person who conducts the assessment is called a case manager.

TA Table 4.28 To what extent do you agree or disagree that your assessment(s) covered all the issues affecting your return to work? By whether back at work (Weighted data)

Categories	Returned to work			turned /ork	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Agree	543	93	274	88	817	91	
Neither agree nor disagree	15	2	13	4	27	3	
Disagree	24	4	21	7	45	5	
Total	582	100	308	100	897	100	

Base: All who had an assessment and reported back to work status (N=895). All who had an assessment and answered question ('don't know' excluded) (N=895). Unweighted.

TA Table 4.29 To what extent do you agree or disagree that your assessment(s) covered all the issues affecting your return to work? By whether completed or dropped out post-assessment (Weighted data)

Categories	Comp	oleted		oed out sessment	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Agree	766	93	51	78	817	91	
Neither agree nor disagree	23	3	5	8	27	3	
Disagree	35	4	9	14	45	5	
Total	824	100	65*	100	897	100	

Base: All who had an assessment and completion status (N=889). All who had an assessment and answered question ('don't know' excluded) (N=895). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 4.30 To what extent do you agree or disagree that your assessment(s) was conducted in a professional manner? By whether back at work (Weighted data)

Categories	Returned to work			turned vork	Д	All
	Col N %		N	Col %	N	Col %
Agree	565	97	289	93	855	96
Neither agree nor disagree	8	1	8	2	15	2
Disagree	12	2	13	4	24	3
Total	585	100	310	100	894	100

Base: All who had an assessment and reported return to work status (N=895). All who had an assessment and answered question ('don't know' excluded) (N=895). Unweighted.

TA Table 4.31 To what extent do you agree or disagree that your assessment(s) was conducted in a professional manner? By whether received a Return to Work Plan (RtWP) (Weighted data)

Categories	Received an RtWP			ceived RtWP	Д	.II
	Col N %		N	Col %	N	Col %
Agree	785	97	54	82	855	96
Neither agree nor disagree	10	1	5	8	15	2
Disagree	16	2	7	10	24	3
Total	811	100	66*	100	894	100

Base: All who had an assessment and recalled receiving RtWP (N=873). All who had an assessment and answered question ('don't know' excluded) (N=895). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 4.32 To what extent do you agree or disagree that your assessment(s) was conducted in a professional manner? By whether completed or dropped out post-assessment (Weighted data)

Categories	Comp	oleted		oed out sessment	А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Agree	800	97	54	83	855	96
Neither agree nor disagree	10	1	5	8	15	2
Disagree	17	2	6	9	24	3
Total	827	100	65*	100	894	100

Base: All who had an assessment and reported completion status (N=892). All who had an assessment and answered question ('don't know' excluded) (N=895). Unweighted.

4.2 Employer contact with case managers

4.2.1 When contact takes place

TA Table 4.33 What contact has your organisation had with the service? By size (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included				
Categories	Less than 50 employees	50-249 employees	250+ employees	All
	%	%	%	%
Made a referral for an employee	99	99	99	99
Received an RtWP for an employee referred by your organisation	76	74	80	77
Received an RtWP for an employee referred by a GP	2	2	2	2
Had other contact	22	24	43	31
Base	131	150	212	504

Base: All respondents reporting size (N=493). All respondents (N=504). Unweighted.

TA Table 4.34 What contact has your organisation had with the service? By sector (Weighted data)

Multiple responses in	cluded					
Categories	Energy, manufacturing, construction, transport and logistics	Retail, hospitality, leisure and creative	Business services and other	Health care and charity	Public administration and public services	All
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Made a referral for an employee	99	100	[96]	98	99	99
Received an RtWP for an employee referred by your organisation	79	76	[80]	75	77	77
Received an RtWP for an employee referred by a GP	1	2	[9]	2	2	2
Had other contact	29	38	[33]	26	29	31
Base	141	128	43*	57*	129	504

Base: All respondents giving sector (N = 498). All respondents (N=504). Unweighted.

TA Table 4.35 What contact has your organisation had with the service? By whether have an occupational health service (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included			
Categories	Access to OH service	No access to OH	All
	%	%	%
Made a referral for an employee	99	99	99
Received an RtWP for an employee referred by your organisation	78	76	77
Received an RtWP for an employee referred by a GP	2	3	2
Had other contact	37	26	31
Base	241	255	504

Base: All respondents reporting whether have an occupational health service (N=496). All respondents (N=504). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employer survey.

TA Table 4.36 Who initiates contact with a case manager? (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
Your organisation	148	60
Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland	89	36
Don't know	9	4
Total	246	100

Base: All respondents that had contact with the service (N=246). Unweighted.

4.2.2 The nature of contact

TA Table 4.37 Receiving an update on the progress of the case with a case manager (Weighted data)

Categories	Had contact with case manager about progress		case n	tact with nanager progress	А	JI
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Before your organisation received the RtWP	31	33	55	36	86	35
After your organisation received the RtWP	21	22	47	31	68	28
Both before and after	36	38	43	28	79	32
Don't know	7	7	6	4	13	5
Total	95*	100	151	100	246	100

Base: All respondents that had contact with a case manager (N=246). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employer survey.

TA Table 4.38 Did your case manager contact your employer to discuss your return to work plans? By referral route (Weighted data)

Categories	GP		Emp	loyer		All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Contacted employer	115	53	315	55	443	55
Did not contact employer	65	30	62	11	129	16
Don't know/can't recall	37	17	198	34	241	30
Total	217	100	576	100	813	100

Base: All who received their RtWP and gave referral route (N=793). All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

TA Table 4.39 Did your case manager contact your employer to discuss your return to work plans? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental health		MS	SK	Otl	ner	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Contacted employer	157	55	171	56	116	53	443	55
Did not contact employer	62	22	39	13	27	12	129	16
Don't know/can't recall	67	23	97	32	75	34	241	30
Total	286	100	306	100	218	100	813	100

Base: All who received their RtWP and reported health condition (N=810). All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 4.40 Did your case manager contact your employer to discuss your return to work plans? By occupation (Weighted data)

	а	agers nd sionals	skilled	min, trades carers	ar eleme		All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Contacted employer	98	47	155	53	190	62	443	54	
Did not contact employer	54	26	42	14	32	10	129	16	
Don't know/can't recall	58	28	97	33	85	28	241	30	
Total	210	100	294	100	307	100	813	100	

Base: All who received their RtWP and gave occupation (N=811). All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

TA Table 4.41 How helpful was that discussion, with a view to getting you back to work? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental	health	MS	SK	Otl	her	Д	All .
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very helpful	107	49	121	49	95	52	327	50
Fairly helpful	45	21	59	24	45	25	149	23
Neither helpful nor unhelpful	27	12	33	13	24	13	86	13
Fairly unhelpful	12	6	10	4	6	3	29	4
Very unhelpful	27	12	23	9	13	7	63	10
Total	218	100	246	100	183	100	654	100

Base: All who discussed their RtWP with their employer with 'don't know' excluded and gave health condition (N=647). All who discussed their RtWP with their employer with 'don't know' excluded (N=654). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 4.42 How helpful was that discussion, with a view to getting you back to work? By ethnicity (Weighted data)

Categories	Wh	nite	ВМ	ИE	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Very helpful	289	51	35	46	327	50	
Fairly helpful	131	23	17	22	149	23	
Neither helpful nor unhelpful	76	13	8	11	86	13	
Fairly unhelpful	20	4	4	5	29	4	
Very unhelpful	49	9	12	16	63	10	
Total	565	100	76*	100	654	100	

Base: All who discussed their RtWP with their employer with 'don't know' excluded and gave ethnicity (N=641). All who discussed their RtWP with their employer with 'don't know' excluded (N=654). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

4.2.3 Employer satisfaction with the outcome of case manager contact

No additional tables

4.2.4 What employers that did not have contact would have liked to discuss

TA Table 4.43 What, if anything, would you/your organisation have liked the opportunity to discuss with a case manager? By organisation type (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included				
Categories	Private sector	Charity/ voluntary sector	Local/central government, financial body	All
	%	%	%	%
Didn't want contact	34	28	23	31
Discussing practicalities of recommendations made in RtWP	25	22	25	25
Receiving an update on the progress of the case	20	32	20	22
When/if the employee would be returning to work	7	5	10	8
Providing further information about employee's work environment and role	7	13	0	7
Discussing case history	7	2	5	6
Other	5	5	8	6
To be part of the assessment	5	2	10	5
Base	173	39*	39*	255

Base: All respondents that had not had contact with a case manager and reported organisation type (N=251). All respondents that had not had contact with a case manager (N=255). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

5 Return to Work Plan

5.1 Receiving Return to Work Plans

5.1.1 Employee experience

No data tables

5.1.2 Employer experience

No data tables

5.1.3 Employee satisfaction with RtWP two months after discharge

TA Table 5.1 How satisfied were you with the following... By region (Weighted data)

Categories			Er	ngland a	and Wa	ales			Scotland							
	Sati	sfied	sati r	ither isfied nor atisfied	Dissa	atisfied	Don'	t know	Sati	sfied	sati r	ither sfied oor atisfied	Dissa	atisfied	Don'	t know
	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %
That you were able to agree the recommendations in your plan with your case manager	630	86	50	7	50	7	0	1	70	95	0	4	0	1	0	-
That the actions in your plan were achievable	570	77	80	11	80	11	10	1	70	92	0	5	0	2	0	-
That your plan would help you return to work	550	75	90	12	80	11	10	2	70	88	10	9	0	3	0	-
Total				74	40							7	0*			

Base: All who received an RtWP and reported a region (N=811). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey. Note: the person who conducts the assessment is called a case manager.

TA Table 5.2 Helpfulness of the Return to Work Plan (RtWP) (logistic regression)

Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Gender (Reference category: Male)			
Female	0.264	0.395	1.302
Level of choice in referral (Reference category: No choice in referral)			
Had choice in referral	0.719	0.369	2.052
Referral route (Reference category: GP)			
Employer	0.190	0.404	1.209
Length of sickness absence before Fit for Work referral (Reference category: 3 months or more)			
Less than 1 month	0.774	0.696	2.168
1-2 months	0.435	0.380	1.546
Age (Reference category: 55+)			
Under 35	0.248	0.539	1.282
35 to 54	-0.209	0.466	0.811
Ethnicity (Reference category: White)			
All non-white	-0.103	0.531	0.902
Caring responsibilities (Reference category: Caring responsibilities)			
No caring responsibilities	0.260	0.353	1.296
Region (Reference category: Scotland)			
England and Wales	1.153*	0.497	3.168
Access to occupational health (Reference category: Yes)			
No	0.766*	0.363	2.151
Primary health condition (Reference category: Other health condition)			
Mental health	-0.331	0.508	0.718
MSK	0.359	0.460	1.432
Sickness absence wages (Reference category: Only SSP)			
Payment above SSP	0.174	0.371	1.191
Interaction between work and health condition (Reference category: Caused or made worse by work)			

Fit for Work process evaluation: Technical Annex

Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Neither caused or made worse by work	0.164	0.381	1.178
Current employment situation (Reference category: Off Sick)			
Returned to work	1.533**	0.353	4.634
First assessment format (Reference category: Face-to-face)			
Telephone	-0.378	2.016	0.685
Assessment focused on return to work (Reference category: Neutral or dissatisfied)			
Satisfied	0.949	0.520	2.584
Assessment focused on all issues affecting return to work (Reference category: Neutral or dissatisfied)			
Satisfied	-0.428	0.714	0.652
RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work (Reference category: Neutral or dissatisfied)			
Satisfied	0.075	0.541	1.078
All RtWP issues were agreed (Reference category: Neutral or dissatisfied)			
Satisfied	0.306	0.632	1.357
All RtWP recommendations were agreed (Reference category: Neutral or dissatisfied)			
Satisfied	-0.535	0.612	0.585
RtWP was tailored (Reference category: Neutral or dissatisfied)			
Satisfied	1.312*	0.599	3.715
RtWP recommendations were achievable (Reference category: Neutral or dissatisfied)			
Satisfied	2.115**	0.410	8.291
RtWP contained new suggestions (Reference category: Neutral or dissatisfied)			
Satisfied	1.574**	0.413	4.825
RtWP was satisfactory overall (Reference category: Neutral or dissatisfied)			

Fit for Work process evaluation: Technical Annex

Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Satisfied	2.170**	0.473	8.754
Occupation (Reference category: Admin, skilled trades and carers)			
Managers and professionals	0.819	0.512	2.268
Sales, process and elementary occupations	0.212	0.469	1.236
Sector (Reference category: Energy, manufacturing, construction, logistics)			
Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other	0.531	0.482	1.700
Health, care and charity	0.006	0.570	1.006
Public administration and public services	0.260	0.549	1.297
Constant	-7.780	2.376	0.000
R^2	0.707		

^{*} p < 0.05, ** p < 0.01

Base: N=632.

5.1.4 Employee satisfaction with RtWP ten – twelve months after discharge

TA Table 5.3 Satisfaction with RtWP (Weighted data)

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Categories	Very s	Fairly Very satisfied satisfied		,	nor dissatisfied		Fairly dissatisfied		Very dissatisfied		All
<u> </u>	N	Row		Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N
RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work	226	51	N 115	26	63	14	18	4	19	4	441
RtWP was tailored to particular needs	227	51	129	29	60	14	12	3	18	4	446
RtWP was helpful with a view to returning to work	213	48	125	28	68	15	15	3	25	6	446
Recommendations in RtWP were achievable	207	47	127	29	58	13	21	5	24	5	436
RtWP contained new suggestions/actions that had not been considered before	154	35	142	33	106	24	15	3	19	4	437
Satisfaction with plan as a whole	226	51	128	29	54	12	11	3	23	5	443

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP that reported RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work (N=442), that RtWP was tailored (N=447), that RtWP was helpful with a view to returning to work (N=448), that recommendations were achievable (N=438), that RtWP contained new suggestions (N=437), overall satisfaction with RtWP (N=444). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.4 Satisfaction factor: RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work, by current employment status (Weighted data)

Categories	Currently in work			rrently vork	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied	55	19	44	30	100	23	
Satisfied	238	81	103	70	341	77	
Total	293	100	147	100	441	100	

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work and who reported return to work status (N=442). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work (N=442). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.5 Satisfaction factor: RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work, by size of employer at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories		Less than 50 employees		50-249 employees		0+ oyees	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied	14	18	13	13	25	28	100	23	
Satisfied	65	82	90	87	64	72	341	77	
Total	79*	100	103	100	89*	100	441	100	

Base: All respondents reporting employer size at Wave Two and receiving their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work (N=274). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work (N=442). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.6 Satisfaction factor: RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work, by occupation at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Managers and professionals		nd trades and		and ele	process mentary pations	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied	27	23	46	29	26	16	100	23	
Satisfied	90	77	112	71	139	84	341	77	
Total	117	100	158	100	165	100	441	100	

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work and reporting occupation (N=441). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work (N=442). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.7 Satisfaction factor: RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work, by sector at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	manufa constr transp	ergy, acturing, uction, ort and stics	hosp leisure, busi servic	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other		Health, care and charity		blic stration public vices	Д	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	17	15	27	20	34	30	22	29	100	23
Satisfied	98	85	108	80	81	70	55	71	341	77
Total	115	100	135	100	115	100	77*	100	441	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work and sector at Wave One (N=442). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work (N=442). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.8 Satisfaction factor: RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work, by sector at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	manufa constr transp	ergy, acturing, uction, ort and stics	leisure, bus servic	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other		alth, e and arity	admini and	blic stration public vices	Д	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	5	10	19	15	21	27	10	[26]	100	23
Satisfied	47	90	106	85	56	73	29	[74]	341	77
Total	52*	100	125	100	77*	100	39*	100	441	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work and sector at Wave Two (N=293). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work (N=442). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.9 Satisfaction factor: RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work, by current mental health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Go	od		Same or worse		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied	46	17	33	36	20	26	100	23	
Satisfied	224	83	58	64	57	74	341	77	
Total	270	100	91*	100	77*	100	441	100	

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work and current mental health at Wave Two (N=439). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work (N=442). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.10 Satisfaction factor: RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work, by current physical health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Go	od	Same or worse		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	33	16	45	30	20	25	100	23
Satisfied	172	84	107	70	59	75	341	77
Total	205	100	152	100	79*	100	441	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work and current physical health (N=439). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work (N=442). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.11 Satisfaction factor: RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work, by change in current physical and mental health since time of referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Better			me orse	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied	48	17	52	33	100	23	
Satisfied	231	83	104	67	341	77	
Total	279	100	156	100	441	100	

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work and change in current physical and mental health since time of referral to Fit for Work (N=438). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work (N=442). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.12 Satisfaction factor: RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work, by change in current physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Ве	Sal Better w			A	I
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	53	19	47	30	100	23
Satisfied	228	81	110	70	341	77
Total	281	100	157	100	441	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work and change in current physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (N=439). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work (N=442). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

Satisfaction that the RtWP was tailored to particular needs

TA Table 5.13 Satisfaction factor: RtWP tailored to particular needs, by employment status at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Currently in work			rrently ork	All		
	Col N %		N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied	51	17	39	26	90	20	
Satisfied	245	83	112	74	35	80	
Total	296	100	151	100	446	100	

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP was tailored and current employment status at Wave Two (N=447). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP was tailored (N=447). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.14 Satisfaction factor: RtWP tailored to particular needs, by employer size at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories		han 50 oyees	50-2 emplo			i0+ oyees	А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	37	28	25	16	16	14	90	20
Satisfied	95	72	134	84	102	86	35	80
Total	132	100	159	100	118	100	446	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP was tailored and size of employer at Wave One (N=410). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP was tailored (N=447). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.15 Satisfaction factor: RtWP tailored to particular needs, by occupation at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Managers and professionals		Admin, skilled trades and carers		proces eleme	les, ss and entary ations	А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	21	18	43	27	26	15	90	20
Satisfied	97	82	116	73	143	85	35	80
Total	118	100	159	100	169	100	446	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP was tailored and occupation at Wave One (N=447). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP was tailored (N=447). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.16 Satisfaction factor: RtWP tailored to particular needs, by sector at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	manufa constr transp	•	crea busi servic	itality, ure, itive,	care	alth, e and arity	admini and	blic stration public vices	Д	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	7	13	14	11	21	28	8	21	90	20
Satisfied	46	87	114	89	54	72	31	79	35	80
Total	53*	100	128	100	75*	100	39*	100	446	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP was tailored and sector at Wave Two (N= 299). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP was tailored (N=447). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.17 Satisfaction factor: RtWP tailored to particular needs, by region (Weighted data)

Categories	England and Wales		Sco	Scotland		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied that RtWP was tailored	86	22	3	7	90	20	
Satisfied that RtWP was tailored	312	78	43	93	35	80	
Total	398	100	46*	100	446	100	

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP was tailored and region (N=445). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP was tailored (N=447). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.18 Satisfaction factor: RtWP tailored to particular needs, by change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	Same or Better worse				All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied with RtWP	43	15	47	30	90	20
Satisfied with RtWP	240	85	111	70	356	80
Total	283	100	158	100	446	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP was tailored and change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=443). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP was tailored (N=447). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.19 Satisfaction factor: RtWP tailored to particular needs, by change in current physical and mental health since Wave One interview (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	tter		me orse	А	II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied with RtWP	48	17	42	26	90	20
Satisfied with RtWP	234	83	119	74	356	80
Total	282	100	161	100	446	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP was tailored and reporting change in current physical and mental health since Wave One interview (N=444). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP was tailored (N=447). Unweighted.

Achievable recommendations

TA Table 5.20 Satisfaction factor: Achievable recommendations, by employment status at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Currently in work			rrently ork	All		
	Col N %		N	Col N %		Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied	52	18	51	35	102	24	
Satisfied	240	82	94	65	334	77	
Total	292	100	145	100	436	100	

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable and employment status at Wave Two (N=438). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable (N=438). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.21 Satisfaction factor: Achievable recommendations, by access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Additional sick pay		No additional sick pay		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied achievable recommendations	31	16	31	27	102	24
Satisfied achievable recommendations	166	84	85	73	334	77
Total	197	100	116	100	436	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable and access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave Two (N=317). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable (N=438). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.22 Satisfaction factor: Achievable recommendations, by occupation at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Managers and professionals		Admin, skilled trades and carers		Sales, process and elementary occupations		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied achievable recommendations	23	19	50	33	30	18	102	24
Satisfied achievable recommendations	95	81	103	67	136	82	334	77
Total	118	100	153	100	166	100	436	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable and occupation (N=438). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable (N=438). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.23 Satisfaction factor: Achievable recommendations, by current mental health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Good			Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied achievable recommendations	47	18	36	41	20	25	102	24	
Satisfied achievable recommendations	221	82	52	59	59	75	334	77	
Total	268	100	88*	100	79*	100	436	100	

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable and current mental health at Wave Two (N=436). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable (N=438). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.24 Satisfaction factor: Achievable recommendations, by current physical health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Go	Good		Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied achievable recommendations	31	15	44	29	26	35	102	24	
Satisfied achievable recommendations	174	85	108	71	49	65	334	77	
Total	205	100	152	100	75*	100	436	100	

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable and current physical health at Wave Two (N=435). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable (N=438). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.25 Satisfaction factor: Achievable recommendations, by change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Better	Same or worse			А	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied achievable recommendations	47	17	55	36	102	24
Satisfied achievable recommendations	231	83	99	64	334	77
Total	278	100	154	100	436	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable and change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=434). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable (N=438). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.26 Satisfaction factor: Achievable recommendations, by change in current physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Better		Sa or w	me orse	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied achievable recommendations	49	18	53	34	102	24	
Satisfied achievable recommendations	229	82	102	66	334	77	
Total	278	100	155	100	436	100	

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable and change in current physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (N=435). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable (N=438). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.27 Satisfaction factor: Achievable recommendations, by ethnicity (Weighted data)

Categories	Wł	White BME		А	.II	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied achievable recommendations	80	21	19	35	102	24
Satisfied achievable recommendations	293	79	35	65	334	77
Total	373	100	54*	100	436	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable and ethnicity (N=432). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether recommendations were achievable (N=438). Unweighted.

Satisfaction that the RtWP was helpful with a view to returning to work

TA Table 5.28 Satisfaction factor: RtWP was helpful with a view to returning to work, by current employment status at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Currently in work		Not currently in work		А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied RtWP helpful	51	17	57	38	108	24
Satisfied RtWP helpful	245	83	93	62	338	76
Total	296	100	150	100	446	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on helpfulness of RtWP with a view to returning to work and current employment status at Wave Two (N=448). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on helpfulness of RtWP with a view to returning to work (N=448). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.29 Satisfaction factor: RtWP was helpful with a view to returning to work, by current mental health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Go	Good Fair or poor			geable time	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied RtWP helpful	56	21	31	34	20	25	108	24
Satisfied RtWP helpful	217	79	61	66	59	75	338	76
Total	273	100	92*	100	79*	100	446	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on helpfulness of RtWP with a view to returning to work and current mental health at Wave Two (N=446). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on helpfulness of RtWP with a view to returning to work (N=448). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.30 Satisfaction factor: RtWP was helpful with a view to returning to work, by current physical health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Go	Good		Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied RtWP helpful	39	19	47	30	21	23	108	24	
Satisfied RtWP helpful	170	81	108	70	57	73	338	76	
Total	209	100	155	100	78*	100	446	100	

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on helpfulness of RtWP with a view to returning to work and current physical health at Wave Two (N=445). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on helpfulness of RtWP with a view to returning to work (N=448). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.31 Satisfaction factor: RtWP was helpful with a view to returning to work, by change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Same Better or worse			All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied RtWP helpful	45	16	63	39	108	24
Satisfied RtWP helpful	237	84	97	61	338	76
Total	282	100	160	100	446	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on helpfulness of RtWP with a view to returning to work and change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=444). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on helpfulness of RtWP with a view to returning to work (N=448). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.32 Satisfaction factor: RtWP was helpful with a view to returning to work, by change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Be		Same or worse		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied RtWP helpful	49	17	59	37	108	24
Satisfied RtWP helpful	233	83	102	63	338	76
Total	282	100	161	100	446	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on helpfulness of RtWP with a view to returning to work and change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (N=445). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on helpfulness of RtWP with a view to returning to work (N=448). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

Satisfaction that the RtWP contained new suggestions or actions that had not been considered before

TA Table 5.33 Satisfaction factor: RtWP contained new suggestions or actions that had not been considered before, by current employment status at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Currently in work			irrently vork	Д	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied RtWP had new suggestions	78	27	62	42	140	32
Satisfied RtWP had new suggestions	212	73	85	58	297	68
Total	290	100	147	100	437	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/ recommendations and reported current employment status at Wave Two (N=437). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/recommendations (N=437). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.34 Satisfaction factor: RtWP contained new suggestions or actions that had not been considered before, by gender (Weighted data)

Categories	Male		Fen	nale	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	49	27	91	36	140	32
Satisfied	135	73	162	64	297	68
Total	184	100	253	100	437	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/ recommendations and gender (N=437). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/recommendations (N=437). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.35 Satisfaction factor: RtWP contained new suggestions or actions that had not been considered before, by occupation at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	_	Managers and professionals		skilled nd carers	and ele	process mentary pations	А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	49	42	55	35	36	22	140	32
Satisfied	69	58	101	65	127	78	297	68
Total	118	100	156	100	163	100	437	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/ recommendations and occupation (N=437). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/recommendations (N=437). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.36 Satisfaction factor: RtWP contained new suggestions or actions that had not been considered before, by sector at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	manufa constr transpo	Energy, hospitality, nufacturing, leisure, creative, nstruction, business Health, administration nsport and services and care and and public logistics other charity services		leisure, creative, business services and		stration oublic	All			
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	26	23	41	30	43	39	30	38	140	32
Satisfied	87	77	94	70	66	61	50	63	297	68
Total	113	100	135	100	109	100	80*	100	437	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/ recommendations and sector at Wave One (N=437). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/recommendations (N=437). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.37 Satisfaction factor: RtWP contained new suggestions or actions that had not been considered before, by sector at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories		cturing,	leisure, busi servic	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other		Public Health, administration care and and public charity services			All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied	8	15	30	24	28	38	12	30	140	32	
Satisfied	44	85	95	76	45	62	28	70	297	68	
Total	52*	100	125	100	73*	100	40*	100	437	100	

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/ recommendations and sector at Wave Two (N= 294). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/recommendations (N=437). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.38 Satisfaction factor: RtWP contained new suggestions or actions that had not been considered before, by current mental health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Good			air ooor	-	geable time	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied RtWP had new suggestions	67	25	41	46	33	43	140	32
Satisfied RtWP had new suggestions	201	75	48	54	44	57	297	68
Total	268	100	89*	100	77*	100	437	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/ recommendations and current mental health at Wave Two (N=434). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/recommendations (N=437). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.39 Satisfaction factor: RtWP contained new suggestions or actions that had not been considered before, by current physical health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Good			air ooor		geable time	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied RtWP had new suggestions	51	25	56	37	32	43	140	32	
Satisfied RtWP had new suggestions	156	75	95	63	43	57	297	68	
Total	207	100	151	100	75*	100	437	100	

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP on new actions/recommendations and reported current physical health at Wave Two (N=434). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/recommendations (N=437). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.40 Satisfaction factor: RtWP contained new suggestions or actions that had not been considered before, by change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Better			me orse	А	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied RtWP had new suggestions	64	23	73	47	140	32
Satisfied RtWP had new suggestions	214	77	81	53	297	68
Total	278	100	154	100	437	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/ recommendations and reporting change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=433). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/recommendations (N=437). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.41 Satisfaction factor: RtWP contained new suggestions or actions that had not been considered before, by change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	tter	Sa or w	me orse	Д	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied RtWP had new suggestions	69	25	71	45	140	32
Satisfied RtWP had new suggestions	208	75	87	55	295	68
Total	277	100	158	100	435	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/ recommendations and reporting change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (N=435). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting on new actions/recommendations (N=437). Unweighted.

Overall satisfaction with RtWP

TA Table 5.42 Satisfaction factor: Overall satisfaction with RtWP, by current employment status at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories		Currently in work		rrently ork	F	All
	N	Col N %		Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	46	16	43	29	89	20
Satisfied	250	84	104	71	354	80
Total	296	100	147	100	443	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting overall satisfaction and current employment status at Wave Two (N=444). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting overall satisfaction (N=444). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.43 Satisfaction factor: Overall satisfaction with RtWP, by current mental health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Go	Good		Fair or poor		Changeable over time		.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	41	15	31	34	17	22	89	20
Satisfied	231	85	60	66	61	78	354	80
Total	272	100	91*	100	78*	100	443	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting overall satisfaction and current mental health at Wave Two (N=442). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting overall satisfaction (N=444). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.44 Satisfaction factor: Overall satisfaction with RtWP, by current physical health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Good			air ooor	Chanç over	geable time	А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	41	15	31	34	16	21	89	20
Satisfied	231	85	60	66	61	78	354	80
Total	272	100	91*	100	78*	100	443	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting overall satisfaction and current physical health at Wave Two (N=441). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting overall satisfaction (N=444). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.45 Satisfaction factor: RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work, by sector at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	manufa constr transp	ergy, cturing, uction, ort and stics	leisure, bus servic	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other		Public Health, administration care and and public charity services		stration public	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	7	13	12	9	18	24	9	23	89	20
Satisfied	46	87	115	91	58	76	31	78	354	80
Total	53*	100	127	100	76*	100	40*	100	443	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work and sector at Wave Two (N=293). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting whether RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work (N=442). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.46 Satisfaction factor: Overall satisfaction with RtWP, by change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	Better		Same or worse		VII
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	41	15	47	30	89	20
Satisfied	240	85	110	70	354	80
Total	281	100	157	100	443	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting overall satisfaction and change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=440). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting overall satisfaction (N=444). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.47 Satisfaction factor: Overall satisfaction with RtWP, by change in physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	tter		me orse	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	44	16	45	29	89	20
Satisfied	239	84	112	71	354	80
Total	283	100	157	100	443	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting overall satisfaction and change in physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (N=441). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting overall satisfaction (N=444). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.48 Satisfaction factor: Satisfaction with RtWP as a whole, by occupation at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	•	ers and sionals	trade	skilled s and ers	and ele	process mentary pations	А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	27	23	38	25	24	14	89	20
Satisfied	92	77	117	75	145	86	354	80
Total	119	100	155	100	169	100	443	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting overall satisfaction and occupation (N=444). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting overall satisfaction (N=444). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.49 Satisfaction factor: Satisfaction with RtWP as a whole, by ethnicity (Weighted data)

Categories	Wh	White		ΛE	All	
		Col		Col	Col	
	N	%	Ν	%	N	%
Neutral or dissatisfied	67	18	19	34	89	20
Satisfied	312	82	37	66	354	80
Total	379	100	56*	100	443	100

Base: All respondents who received their RtWP reporting overall satisfaction and ethnicity (N=439). All respondents who received their RtWP reporting overall satisfaction (N=444). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

Overall how satisfied are you with the service you have received from Fit for Work? (Overall satisfaction with Fit for Work service)

TA Table 5.50 Overall how satisfied are you with the service you have received from Fit for Work? (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
Very satisfied	232	47
Satisfied	155	31
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	62	13
Dissatisfied	21	4
Very dissatisfied	23	5
Total	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted. Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.51 Overall how satisfied are you with the service you have received from Fit for Work? By current employment status at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Currently in work		Not currently in work		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied with FfW	59	18	47	27	106	22
Satisfied with FfW	261	82	125	73	386	78
Total	320	100	172	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work and current employment status at Wave Two (N=492). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.52 Overall how satisfied are you with the service you have received from Fit for Work? By current mental health (Weighted data)

Categories	Fair			me orse	Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied with FfW	49	17	34	33	22	24	106	22
Satisfied with FfW	243	83	70	67	69	76	386	78
Total	292	100	104	100	91*	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work and current mental health (N=488). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.53 Overall how satisfied are you with the service you have received from Fit for Work? By current physical health (Weighted data)

Categories	Fair			Same or worse		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied with FfW	35	16	46	26	22	26	106	22	
Satisfied with FfW	190	84	132	74	64	74	386	78	
Total	225	100	178	100	86*	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work and current physical health (N=489). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.54 Overall how satisfied are you with the service you have received from Fit for Work? By change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	tter	Same or worse		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied with FfW	49	16	55	31	106	22
Satisfied with FfW	257	84	125	69	386	78
Total	306	100	180	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work and change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=487). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.55 Overall how satisfied are you with the service you have received from Fit for Work? By change in current physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Better		Same or worse		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied with FfW	55	18	49	27	106	22
Satisfied with FfW	250	82	133	73	386	78
Total	305	100	182	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work and change in current physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (N=488). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.56 Overall how satisfied are you with the service you have received from Fit for Work? By satisfaction that RtWP covered all issues affecting respondents' return to work (Weighted data)

Categories	RtWP cover	satisfied that red all issues turn to work	covered	that RtWP all issues eturn to work	A	II
		Col		Col		Col
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Neutral or dissatisfied with FfW	57	58	36	11	106	22
Satisfied with FfW	42	42	305	89	386	78
Total	99*	100	341	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work and reporting that RtWP covered all issues affecting return to work (N=442). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.57 Overall how satisfied are you with the service you have received from Fit for Work? By satisfaction that the RtWP was tailored to particular needs (Weighted data)

Categories	Neutral/dissatisfied that RtWP tailored to needs			that RtWP to needs	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied with FfW	57	64	36	10	106	22	
Satisfied with FfW	32	36	320	90	386	78	
Total	89*	100	356	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work and reporting RtWP was tailored (N=447). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.58 Overall how satisfied are you with the service you have received from Fit for Work? By satisfaction that the recommendations in RtWPs were achievable (Weighted data)

Categories	dissatis recomme in RtW	utral/ fied that endations /P were evable	Satisfi recommer RtWP were	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied with FfW	59	58	31	9	106	22
Satisfied with FfW	43	42	303	91	386	78
Total	102	100	334	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work and reporting recommendations were achievable (N=438). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.59 Overall how satisfied are you with the service you have received from Fit for Work? By satisfaction that the RtWP contained new suggestions or actions that had not been considered before (Weighted data)

Categories	Neutral/dissatisfied that RtWP contained new suggestions/actions		contair	that RtWP ned new ns/actions	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied with FfW	72	51	20	7	106	22
Satisfied with FfW	68	49	277	93	386	78
Total	140	100	297	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work and reporting RtWP contained new suggestions (N=437). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.60 Overall how satisfied are you with the service you have received from Fit for Work? By overall satisfaction with RtWP (Weighted data)

Categories		lissatisfied RtWP		sfied RtWP	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied with FfW	60	67	31	9	106	22
Satisfied with FfW	29	33	323	91	386	78
Total	89*	100	354	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work and overall satisfaction with RtWP (N=444). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

5.2 Sharing and discussing the RtWP

5.2.1 Sharing the RtWP with GPs

No data tables.

5.2.2 Sharing the RtWP with employers

TA Table 5.61 Did you agree that your RtWP could be shared with your employer? (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
Yes, all of it	621	76
Yes, some of it	122	15
No, none of it	54	7
Don't know/can't recall	15	2
Total	813	100
Did not agree to share ALL of the RtWP	176	22

Base: All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 5.62 Did you agree that your RtWP could be shared with your employer? By referral route (Weighted data)

Categories	G	GP		loyer	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Yes, all of it	141	65	463	80	621	76
Yes, some of it	38	17	85	15	122	15
No, none of it	35	16	17	3	54	7
Don't know/can't recall	4	2	12	2	15	2
Total	217	100	576	100	813	100
Did not agree to share ALL of the RtWP	73	33	101	18	176	22

Base: All who received their RtWP and reported referral route (N = 793). All who received their RtWP (N = 814). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.63 Did you agree that your RtWP could be shared with your employer? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental health		MS	SK	Otl	her	А	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Yes, all of it	200	69	250	81	180	80	620	76	
Yes, some of it	50	17	40	13	30	14	120	15	
No, none of it	30	10	10	4	10	5	50	7	
Don't know/ can't recall	10	3	10	2	0	0	20	2	
Total	290	100	310	100	220	100	810	100	
Did not agree to share ALL of the RtWP	80	28	50	17	40	19	180	22	

Base: All who received their RtWP and reported health condition (N=810). All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 5.64 Did you agree that your RtWP could be shared with your employer? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	Under 35		35-54		55+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Yes, all of it	134	69	332	77	155	83	621	76	
Yes, some of it	40	21	67	16	15	8	122	15	
No, none of it	16	8	24	6	13	7	54	7	
Don't know/can't recall	4	2	9	2	3	1	15	2	
Total	193	100	431	100	186	100	813	100	
Did not agree to share ALL of the RtWP	56	29	91	21	28	15	176	22	

Base: All who received their RtWP and reported age (N = 810). All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.65 Did you agree that your RtWP could be shared with your employer? By whether back at work (Weighted data)

Categories		Returned to work		turned /ork	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Yes, all of it	421	79	201	72	621	76	
Yes, some of it	78	15	44	16	122	15	
No, none of it	24	4	30	11	54	7	
Don't know/can't recall	12	2	3	1	15	2	
Total	535	100	278	100	813	100	
Did not agree to share ALL of the RtWP	102	19	74	27	176	22	

Base: All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 5.66 England and Wales: Did you agree that your RtWP could be shared with your employer? By health condition

Categories	Mental health		MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Shared RtWP with employer	1,024	87	1,266	92	1,464	94	3,754	91
Did not share RtWP with employer	159	13	104	8	91	6	354	9
Total	1,183	100	1,370	100	1,555	100	4,108	100

Base: All who received their RtWP (N=4,108).

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 5.67 Scotland: Did you agree that your RtWP could be shared with your employer? By health condition

Categories	Mental health		MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Shared RtWP with employer	174	87	138	91	159	96	471	91
Did not share RtWP with employer	26	13	13	9	6	4	45	9
Total	200	100	151	100	165	100	516	100

Base: All who received their RtWP (N=516).

Source: Scottish management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016, where health data is available.

TA Table 5.68 Did you discuss your RtWP with your employer? By whether back at work (Weighted data)

Categories	Returned to work			turned /ork	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Discussed RtWP with employer	470	87	190	68	660	81
Did not discuss RtWP with employer	60	12	90	32	150	19
Don't know/can't recall	0	1	0	0	10	1
Total	540	100	280	100	810	100

Base: All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 5.69 Did you discuss your RtWP with your employer? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental health		MS	MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Discussed RtWP with employer	220	77	250	81	180	85	660	81	
Did not discuss RtWP with employer	60	22	60	18	30	15	150	19	
Don't know/can't recall	0	1	0	1	0	0	10	1	
Total	290	100	310	100	220	100	810	100	

Base: All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 5.70 How helpful was that discussion with your employer, with a view to getting you back to work? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental health		MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very helpful	110	49	120	49	100	52	330	50
Fairly helpful	50	21	60	24	50	24	150	23
Neither helpful nor unhelpful	30	12	30	13	20	13	90	13
Fairly unhelpful	10	6	10	4	10	3	30	4
Very unhelpful	30	12	20	9	10	7	60	10
Don't know	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Total	220	100	250	100	180	100	660	100

Base: All who discussed their RtWP with their employer (N=656). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

5.3 Return to Work Plan Recommendations

5.3.1 The nature of recommendations

TA Table 5.71 Were there recommendations in that RtWP for you/your organisation? By sector (Weighted data)

Categories	constructio	nufacturing, n, transport gistics	leisu	nospitality, re and eative	servi	siness ces and ther	Health, c	care and	administ	blic ration and services	A	II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Recommendations	90	85	80	89	30	[80]	40	[95]	90	93	330	89
No recommendations	20	15	10	11	10	[20]	0	[5]	10	7	40	11
Total	100	100	90*	100	40*	[100]	40*	[100]	100*	100	380	100

Base: All respondents that received an RtWP and recalled recommendations (N=375). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 5.72 Were there recommendations in that RtWP for you/your organisation? By organisation type (Weighted data)

Categories	Private sector		gories Private sector		volui	nrity/ ntary ctor	goverr	central nment, al body	А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %		
Recommendations	230	87	50	96	50	91	330	89		
No recommendations	40	13	0	4	10	9	40	11		
Total	260	100	60*	100	50*	100	380	100		

Base: All respondents that received an RtWP, recalled recommendations and reported organisation type (N=370). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employer survey.

5.3.2 The take-up of recommendations

TA Table 5.73 Have the recommendations in your RtWP actually taken place? By referral route (Weighted data)

Categories	GP		Employer		A	All .
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Yes, all of them	70	31	250	43	320	39
Yes, some of them	60	27	110	20	180	22
No, none of them	40	17	70	12	110	14
Not applicable – not back at work/not returning to work	50	25	140	24	200	25
Not applicable – only just back at work so not actioned	0	1	10	1	10	1
Total	220	100	580	100	810	100

Base: All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 5.74 Have the recommendations in your RtWP actually taken place? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental health		MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Yes, all of them	90	33	130	42	100	46	320	39
Yes, some of them	80	28	60	19	40	17	180	22
No, none of them	40	15	40	12	30	14	110	14
Not applicable – not back at work/not returning to work	70	24	80	26	50	23	200	25
Not applicable – only just back at work so not actioned	0	1	0	1	0	0	10	1
Total	290	100	310	100	220	100	810	100

Base: All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 5.75 Have the recommendations in your RtWP actually taken place? By occupation (Weighted data)

Categories	Managers and professionals		trade	Admin, skilled trades and carers		Sales, process and elementary occupations		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Yes, all of them	90	42	100	35	130	42	320	39	
Yes, some of them	60	27	60	20	60	19	180	22	
No, none of them	30	16	40	14	40	11	110	14	
Not applicable – not back at work/not returning to work	30	15	90	29	80	27	200	26	
Not applicable – only just back at work so not actioned	0	0	0	1	0	0	10	1	
Total	210	100	290	100	310	100	810	100	

Base: All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 5.76 Which recommendations were acted on? By size (Weighted data)

Multiple responses in	ncluded							
Categories	Less the						All	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Phased Return To Work	50	87	71	88	115	94	238	89
Amended Duties	33	57	59	73	85	69	205	77
Altered Hours	45	78	62	78	97	79	180	68
Workplace Adaptations	19	33	24	30	45	36	91	34
Alternative Work	15	25	27	34	37	30	81	30
Base	62*		81*		125		273	

Base: Respondents that had fully or partially implemented recommendations and reported size (N = 268). Respondents that had fully or partially implemented recommendations (N=273).

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employer survey.

TA Table 5.77 Any subsequent employer action on remaining RtWP actions (Weighted data)

		Col
Categories	Ν	%
Employer has now acted on recommendations	29	27
Employer has not acted on recommendations	80	73
Total	109	100

Base: All respondents who had remaining actions for their employer at Wave One (N=107). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.78 Reasons given for remaining employer RtWP actions not being enacted (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included	
Categories	%
Employer disregarded them/did not want to implement them	22
No specific reason	20
Couldn't deliver in my work context/not practicable	15
They have been implemented	15
I have left work	12
Recommendation(s) cost too much	7
I did not want action taken	4
I was not ready to return to work when the recommendations were received	3
I have changed job role	2
Recommendations would not benefit me	1
Other	7
Base	56*

Base: All respondents who had remaining actions for their employer at Wave One (N=56). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.79 Permanent changes at work to help respondents to remain in work (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included	
Categories	%
No arrangements are in place	76
Changed hours of work	8
Provision of workplace adjustments	6
Changed duties	5
Reduced workload	4
Changed pattern of work	3
Working at home or closer to home	2
Phased return to work	1
Other	5
Base	372

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting on any permanent changes at work (N=372). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.80 Permanent changes at work to help respondents to remain in work (Weighted data)

		Col
Categories	N	%
No arrangements are in place	282	76
Some arrangements in place	89	24
Total	371	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting on any permanent changes at work (N=372). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.81 Temporary changes at work to help respondents to remain in work (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
No arrangements are in place	310	83
Some arrangements in place	63	17
Total	372	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting on any temporary changes at work (N=373). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.82 Types of temporary changes at work to help respondents to remain in work (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included	
Categories	%
No arrangements are in place	83
Changed duties	5
Changed hours of work	5
Phased return to work	2
Reduced workload	2
Changed pattern of work	2
Provision of workplace adjustments	2
Working at home or closer to home	0
Other	4
Base	373

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two and respondents who went back to work for a while reporting on any temporary changes at work (N=373). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.83 Any permanent changes at work to help respondents stay in their role, by employment status at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Currently working			irrently king	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
No permanent changes	249	78	33	65	282	76	
Some permanent changes	71	22	18	35	89	24	
Total	320	100	51*	100	371	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting on any permanent change and employment status at Wave Two (N=372). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting on any permanent change (N=372). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.84 Any permanent changes at work to help respondents stay in their role, by gender (Weighted data)

Categories	Ma	ale	Fen	nale	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
No permanent changes	133	83	149	71	282	76	
Some permanent changes	27	17	62	29	89	24	
Total	160	100	211	100	371	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting on any permanent change and gender (N=372). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting on any permanent change (N=372). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.85 Any permanent changes at work to help respondents stay in their role, by current physical health (Weighted data)

Categories	Good		Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
No permanent changes	170	85	73	64	36	68	282	76
Some permanent changes	30	15	41	36	17	32	89	24
Total	200	100	114	100	53*	100	371	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting on any permanent change and current physical health (N=369). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting on any permanent change (N=372). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.86 Any permanent changes at work to help respondents stay in their role, by change in employer between Wave One and Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Same employer			erent loyer	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
No permanent changes	158	72	87	91	282	76	
Some permanent changes	61	28	9	9	89	24	
Total	219	100	96*	100	371	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting on any permanent change and reporting change in employer between Wave One and Wave Two (N=318). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting on any permanent change (N=372). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.87 Any temporary changes at work to help respondents stay in their role, by employment status at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Currently working			urrently king	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
No temporary changes	279	87	30	58	310	83	
Some temporary changes	41	13	22	42	63	27	
Total	320	100	52*	100	372	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting any temporary changes and employment status at Wave Two (N=373). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting any temporary changes (N=373). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.88 Any temporary changes at work to help respondents stay in their role, by health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental	Mental health		MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
No temporary changes	116	87	118	86	73	74	310	83	
Some temporary changes	17	13	19	14	26	26	63	27	
Total	133	100	137	100	99*	100	372	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting any temporary changes and health condition (N=370). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting any temporary changes (N=373). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.89 Any temporary changes at work to help respondents stay in their role, by gender (Weighted data)

Categories	Male		Fen	nale	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
No temporary changes	141	88	169	80	310	83
Some temporary changes	20	12	43	20	63	27
Total	161	100	212	100	372	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting any temporary changes and gender (N=373). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting any temporary changes (N=373). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.90 Any temporary changes at work to help respondents stay in their role, by size of employer at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Less than 50 employees			50-249 employees		250+ employees		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
No temporary changes	76	75	117	85	94	90	310	83	
Some temporary changes	25	25	20	15	11	11	63	27	
Total	101	100	137	100	105	100	372	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting any temporary changes and size of employer at Wave One (N=342). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting any temporary changes (N=373). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.91 Any temporary changes at work to help respondents stay in their role, by current physical health (Weighted data)

Categories	Good			Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
No temporary changes	176	88	90	79	40	74	310	83	
Some temporary changes	25	12	24	21	14	26	63	27	
Total	201	100	114	100	54*	100	372	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting any temporary changes and current physical health (N=370). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting any temporary changes (N=373). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.92 Any temporary changes at work to help respondents stay in their role, by change in employer between Wave One and Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories		me loyer	Diffe empl		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
No temporary changes	180	83	90	98	310	83
Some temporary changes	40	17	0	2	60	27
Total	220	100	100*	100	370	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting any temporary changes and change in employer between Wave One and Wave Two (N=318). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting any temporary changes (N=373). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

5.4 Signposting

No data tables

5.5 Value of the RtWP

5.5.1 Views on the use of the RtWP

TA Table 5.93 On paper, how helpful were the recommendations with a view to facilitating your employees' return to work? By size (Weighted data)

Categories	Less than 50 50-249 employees employees			_	0+ oyees	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very helpful	20	28	40	46	50	34	120	36
Fairly helpful	30	40	40	39	70	46	140	43
Neither helpful nor unhelpful	10	12	10	12	10	9	40	11
Fairly unhelpful	10	9	0	1	10	4	20	4
Or very unhelpful	10	11	0	2	10	6	20	6
Total	80*	100	100*	100	150	100	330	100

Base: All respondents with recommendation in the RtWP and reporting size, (N=324). All respondents with recommendations in the RtWP (N=331). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

TA Table 5.94 On paper, how helpful were the recommendations with a view to facilitating your employees' return to work? By whether have an occupational health service (Weighted data)

Categories		ess to ervice	No ac	ccess OH	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very helpful	69	43	51	30	120	36
Fairly helpful	73	45	68	40	141	43
Neither helpful nor unhelpful	10	6	26	15	36	11
Fairly unhelpful	4	2	11	6	15	4
Or very unhelpful	6	4	14	8	20	6
Total	162	100	170	100	331	100

Base: All respondents with recommendation in the RtWP and reporting access to occupational health (N=332). All respondents with recommendations in the RtWP (N=331). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

5.5.2 Certifying absence from work and using as a Fit Note

No data tables

5.5.3 Employer use of tax exemption

TA Table 5.95 Which of the following statements applies to this organisation? By organisation size (Weighted data)

Categories	thar	Less than 50 employees		50-249 employees		250+ employees		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
We have used this tax exemption in the past	0	0	0	1	10	2	10	1	
We are aware of this tax exemption but not used it in the past	40	33	60	40	100	45	200	40	
We are not aware of this tax exemption at all	90	67	90	57	90	41	270	53	
Don't know/unsure	0	0	0	2	30	12	30	6	
Total	130	100	150	100	210	100	500	100	

Base: All respondents reporting size (N=493). All respondents (N=504). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

TA Table 5.96 Which of the following statements applies to this organisation? By sector (Weighted data)

Categories	manufa constr transp	ergy, cturing, uction, ort and stics	hospi leisur	tail, itality, e and ative	servic	ness es and her		n, care harity	admini and p	blic stration oublic vices	Д	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
We have used this tax exemption in the past	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	2	10	1
We are aware of this tax exemption but not used it in the past	70	52	40	30	30	[57]	20	32	40	34	200	40
We are not aware of this tax exemption at all	70	46	70	56	20	[39]	40	61	70	57	270	53
Don't know/unsure	0	1	20	12	0	[5]	0	5	10	7	30	6
Total	140	100	130	100	40*	100	60*	100	130	100	500	100

Base: All respondents giving sector (N=498). All respondents (N=504). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 5.97 Which of the following statements applies to this organisation? By whether employer received an RtWP for some/all employees (Weighted data)

Categories		ved an WP	rec	not eive RtWP	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
We have used this tax exemption in the past	7	2	0	0	7	1
We are aware of this tax exemption but not used it in the past	173	44	26	25	201	40
We are not aware of this tax exemption at all	189	48	74	70	265	53
Don't know/unsure	25	6	6	6	31	6
Total	394	100	106	100	504	100

Base: All respondents recalling RtWP (N=500). All respondents (N=504). Unweighted. Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

TA Table 5.98 Which of the following statements applies to this organisation? By whether had any contact with a case manager (Weighted data)

Categories	with	ontact case ager	with	ontact case ager	All	
	Col			Col		Col
	N	%	Ν	%	N	%
We have used this tax exemption in the past	10	2	0	0	10	1
We are aware of this tax exemption but not used it in the past	130	52	70	29	200	40
We are not aware of this tax exemption at all	100	41	160	63	270	53
Don't know/unsure	10	4	20	8	30	6
Total	250	100	260	100	500	100

Base: All respondents recalling case manager (N=501). All respondents (N=504). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 5.99 Would you consider using this tax exemption in the future to fund medical treatments to help employees get back to work? By size (Weighted data)

Categories		han 50 oyees		249 oyees	25 emplo	0+ oyees	А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Yes, definitely	40	32	60	42	60	28	170	33
Yes, possibly	70	54	80	54	100	49	260	51
No	10	10	10	4	10	6	30	6
Not applicable	0	1	0	0	10	5	10	2
Unsure/don't know	0	3	0	1	30	12	40	7
Total	130	100	150	100	210	100	500	100

Base: All respondents reporting size (N=494). All respondents (N=504). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 5.100 Would you consider using this tax exemption in the future to fund medical treatments to help employees get back to work? By sector (Weighted data)

Categories	manufa constr transp	Energy, manufacturing, construction, transport and logistics		tail, tality, e and ative	servic	iness es and her		n, care charity	admini and p	blic stration oublic vices	Α	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Yes, definitely	60	40	40	34	10	[30]	20	31	30	26	170	33
Yes, possibly	70	48	60	43	20	[55]	40	63	70	57	260	51
No	10	8	10	4	10	[11]	0	3	10	5	30	6
Not applicable	0	1	10	5	0	[2]	0	0	0	2	10	2
Unsure/don't know	0	2	20	14	0	[2]	0	3	10	10	40	7
Total	140	100	130	100	40*	100	60*	100	130	100	500	100

Base: All respondents (N=504). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 5.101 Would you consider using this tax exemption in the future to fund medical treatments to help employees get back to work? By organisation type (Weighted data)

Categories	Private sector		volu	Charity/ voluntary sector		Local/central government, financial body		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Yes, definitely	120	34	30	43	10	19	170	33	
Yes, possibly	170	49	40	53	40	63	260	51	
No	30	7	0	1	0	5	30	6	
Not applicable	10	3	0	0	0	2	10	2	
Unsure/don't know	30	7	0	3	10	13	40	7	
Total	360	100	80	100	60	100	500	100	

Base: All respondents reporting organisation type (N=498). All respondents (N=504). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

TA Table 5.102 Would you consider using this tax exemption in the future to fund medical treatments to help employees get back to work? By whether have an occupational health service (Weighted data)

Categories		Access to OH service		ccess OH	Д	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Yes, definitely	80	34	80	32	165	33
Yes, possibly	110	46	150	57	259	51
No	10	5	20	7	30	6
Not applicable	10	4	0	1	12	2
Unsure/don't know	30	10	10	4	37	7
Total	240	100	260	100	504	100

Base: All respondents giving access to OH status (N=496). All respondents (N=504). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

5.6 Post-RtWP support

TA Table 5.103 Did you have any further contact with your Fit for Work case manager once you had agreed your RtWP? By region (Weighted data)

Categories	England and Wales		Sco	tland	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Had further contact	390	53	20	32	420	51	
Had no further contact	320	43	50	65	370	45	
Don't know/can't recall	30	3	0	3	30	3	
Total	740	100	70*	100	810	100	

Base: All who received their RtWP and reported region (N=809). All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 5.104 Did you have any further contact with your Fit for Work case manager once you had agreed your RtWP? By occupation (Weighted data)

Categories	Managers and professionals		Managers and trades and and e		and ele	Sales, process nd elementary occupations		ıll
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Had further contact	120	57	138	47	159	51	417	51
Had no further contact	85	40	145	49	139	45	369	45
Don't know/can't recall	6	3	10	3	11	4	27	3
Total	211	100	293	100	309	100	813	100

Base: All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

5.6.1 Support from other organisations

TA Table 5.105 At the same time as you were in contact with Fit for Work, did you receive help with the obstacles affecting your return to work from anyone else? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental	health	MS	SK	Otl	ner	А	II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Received help	170	49	100	26	90	29	360	35
Did not receive help	170	51	300	74	200	68	680	65
Don't know	0	0	0	0	10	2	10	1
Total	340	100	400	100	300	100	1,050	100

Base: All respondents reporting a health condition (N=1,035). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 5.106 At the same time as you were in contact with Fit for Work, did you receive help with the obstacles affecting your return to work from anyone else? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	er 35	35-	-54	55	5+	А	II	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Received help	100	39	190	35	70	29	360	35	
Did not receive help	160	61	340	63	180	71	680	65	
Don't know	0	1	10	1	0	0	10	1	
Total	260	100	530	100	250	100	1,050	100	

Base: All respondents reporting age (N=1,040). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 5.107 At the same time as you were in contact with Fit for Work, did you receive help with the obstacles affecting your return to work from anyone else? By occupation (Weighted data)

Categories	Managers and professionals		trade	Admin, skilled trades and carers		Sales, process and elementary occupations		II
		Col		Col		Col		Col
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Received help	120	44	130	36	120	27	360	35
Did not receive help	140	55	230	64	300	71	680	65
Don't know	0	1	0	0	10	2	10	1
Total	260	100	370	100	420	100	1,050	100

Base: All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 5.108 Subsequent support received from other sources (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included	
Categories	%
No further support	71
Another health professional	14
GP	7
Employer's occupational health department or contractor	6
Other source	6
Family/friends	1
Trade union	1
Base	492

Base: All respondents reporting subsequent support (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.109 Receipt of support from sources other than Fit for Work postdischarge, by size of employer at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Less than 50 employees			50-249 employees		250+ employees		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Did not receive further support	63	71	92	84	64	67	354	72	
Received further support	26	29	42	24	31	33	138	28	
Total	89*	100	110	100	95*	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting receipt of support from external sources and size of employer at Wave Two (N=296). All respondents reporting receipt of support from external sources (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.110 Receipt of support from sources other than Fit for Work postdischarge, by age (Weighted data)

Categories	Under 35		35	35-54		55 and over		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Did not receive further support	75	63	194	75	80	73	354	72	
Received further support	45	38	65	25	30	27	138	28	
Total	120	100	259	100	110	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting receipt of support from external sources and age (N=491). All respondents reporting receipt of support from external sources (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.111 Receipt of support from sources other than Fit for Work postdischarge, by primary health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Me hea		MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Did not receive further support	100	62	144	78	105	75	354	72
Received further support	62	38	41	22	35	25	138	28
Total	162	100	185	100	140	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting receipt of support from external sources and health condition (N=487). All respondents reporting receipt of support from external sources (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.112 Receipt of support from sources other than Fit for Work postdischarge, by current mental health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Good		Fair o	Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Did not receive further support	235	80	62	60	52	57	354	72	
Received further support	58	20	42	40	40	43	138	28	
Total	293	100	104	100	92*	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting receipt of support from external sources and current mental health at Wave Two (N=488). All respondents reporting receipt of support from external sources (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.113 Receipt of support from sources other than Fit for Work postdischarge, by current physical health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Good		Fair o	Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Did not receive further support	173	77	113	64	65	75	354	72	
Received further support	52	23	64	36	22	25	138	28	
Total	225	100	177	100	87*	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting receipt of support from external sources and current physical health at Wave Two (N=489). All respondents reporting receipt of support from external sources (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.114 Receipt of support from sources other than Fit for Work postdischarge, by primary health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental health		MS	MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Did not receive further support	100	62	144	78	105	75	354	72	
Received further support	62	38	41	22	35	25	138	28	
Total	162	100	185	100	140	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting receipt of support from external sources and health condition (N=487). All respondents reporting receipt of support from external sources (N=492). Unweighted.

5.6.1 Support from case managers

TA Table 5.115 Did you have any further contact with your Fit for Work case manager once you had agreed your RtWP? By region (Weighted data)

Categories	Eng and V	Д	.II			
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	N	%	Ν	%	N	%
Had further contact	390	53	20	32	420	51
Had no further contact	320	43	50	65	370	45
Don't know/can't recall	30	3	0	3	30	3
Total	740	100	70*	100	810	100

Base: All who received their RtWP and reported region (N=809). All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 5.116 Did you have any further contact with your Fit for Work case manager once you had agreed your RtWP? By occupation (Weighted data)

Categories	Managers and professionals		Admin, skilled trades and carers		Sales, process and elementary occupations		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Had further contact	120	57	138	47	159	51	417	51
Had no further contact	85	40	145	49	139	45	369	45
Don't know/can't recall	6	3	10	3	11	4	27	3
Total	211	100	293	100	309	100	813	100

Base: All who received their RtWP (N=814). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.117 Did you have further contact with the service? (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
No further contact	447	94
Received some further contact (e.g. case manager, contacted advice services)	27	5
Total	474	100

Base: All respondents reporting further contact with the service (N=474). Unweighted. Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.118 Did you have further contact with the service? By ethnicity (Weighted data)

Categories	White		ВМ	ИE	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
No further contact	385	95	53	88	447	94
Further contact	20	5	7	26	27	5
Total	405	100	60*	100	474	100

Base: All respondents reporting further contact with the service and ethnicity (N=467). All respondents reporting further contact with the service (N=474). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.119 Further support desired from Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
FfW could not have done more	407	83
FfW could have done more	85	17
Total	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting desire for further support from Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.120 Further support desired from Fit for Work, by current mental health (Weighted data)

Categories	Good		Fair o	r poor	-	geable time	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
FfW could not have done more	257	88	75	72	72	78	407	83	
FfW could have done more	35	12	29	28	22	22	85	17	
Total	292	100	104	100	92*	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting desire for further support from Fit for Work and current mental health (N=488). All respondents reporting desire for further support from Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.121 Further support desired from Fit for Work, by ethnicity (Weighted data)

Categories	Wh	nite	ВМ	ЛE	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
FfW could not have done more	355	85	47	75	407	83	
FfW could have done more	65	15	16	26	85	17	
Total	420	100	63*	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting desire for further support from Fit for Work and ethnicity (N=485). All respondents reporting desire for further support from Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 5.122 Further support desired from Fit for Work, by age (Weighted data)

Categories	Under 35		35-54		5	5+	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
FfW could not have done more	105	87	203	78	99	89	407	83
FfW could have done more	16	13	56	22	12	11	85	17
Total	121	100	259	100	111	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting desire for further support from Fit for Work and age (N=491). All respondents reporting desire for further support from Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 5.123 Further support desired from Fit for Work, by current mental health (Weighted data)

Categories	Good		Fair o	Fair or poor		geable time	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
FfW could not have done more	257	88	75	72	72	78	407	83
FfW could have done more	35	12	29	28	20	22	85	17
Total	292	100	104	100	92*	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting desire for further support from Fit for Work and current mental health (N=488). All respondents reporting desire for further support from Fit for Work (N=492). Unweighted.

6 Discharge and drop out

6.1 Discharge reasons

6.1.1 Overall discharge reasons

TA Table 6.1 Discharge reason by health condition diagnosed at assessment, England and Wales

Categories	Mental	Health	MS	SK	Oth	ner	All		
		Col		Col		Col		Col	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
Employee declined service (pre-assessment)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Employee declined service (post-assessment)	70	4	60	4	50	3	170	4	
Returned to work (Assessment)	10	0	0	0	10	0	20	0	
Case held for three months	280	18	300	19	330	18	910	18	
Employee returned to work	170	11	210	14	240	13	620	12	
Not in paid employment	40	3	30	2	50	3	120	2.4	
No more action	90	6	120	8	120	6	340	7	
Assumed returned to work	900	57	850	54	1,050	57	2,800	56	
Unsuccessful referral	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	
Unable to contact employee	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	
Total	1,560	100	1,580	100	1,850	100	4,980	100	

Base: All assessed (N=4,984).

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 6.2 Discharge reason by pre-assessment health condition, Scotland

Categories	Mental	Health	MS	SK	Otl	her	Д	All .
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Employee declined service (post-assessment)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Employee informed return to work – With RtWP	80	42	60	42	70	45	220	43
Discharged post- RtWP – No further contact	40	20	30	19	30	19	100	19
Employee has exceeded three months on the service	0	1	0	1	0	2	10	1
Employee unsatisfied with service received	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
No further support is available	40	19	50	31	40	24	120	24
Other reason	30	17	10	6	20	10	60	11
Unable to contact employee	0	2	0	0	0	1	10	1
Total	200	100	150	100	170	100	520	100

Base: All assessed and identified with one or more health conditions and where discharge reason data is available (N=517).

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Scottish management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

6.1.2 Discharge reason by whether employee received an assessment

TA Table 6.3 England and Wales: Did the employee receive an assessment? By reasons for discharge

	Receiv	ed an	Did not	receive		
Categories	assess	sment	an asse	ssment	A	<u> </u>
		Col		Col		Col
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Employee declined service (pre-assessment)	4	0	890	25	894	11
Employee declined service (post-assessment)	174	4	21	1	195	2
Returned to work (assessment)	16	0	27	1	43	1
Case held for three months	905	18	167	5	1,072	13
Employee returned to work	615	12	344	10	959	11
Not in paid employment	119	2	277	8	396	5
No more action	335	7	94	3	429	5
Assumed returned to work	2,798	56	11	0	2,809	33
Not living in England and Wales	0	0	9	0	9	0
Unsuccessful referral	10	0	470	13	480	6
Unable to contact employee	8	0	1,192	34	1,200	14
Total	4,984	100	3,502	100	8,486	100

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 6.4 Scotland: Did the employee receive an assessment? By reasons for discharge

Categories		ved an		receive essment	А	II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Employee declined service (pre-assessment)	0	1	40	9	40	4
Employee declined service (post-assessment)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee informed returned to work – With RtWP	230	42	0	0	230	23
Discharged post-RtWP – No further contact	110	19	0	0	110	11
Employee has exceeded three months on the service	10	1	0	0	10	1
Employee unsatisfied with service received	0	0	0	0	0	0
No further support is available	140	25	0	1	140	14
Other reason	60	11	10	2	70	7
Inappropriate referral	0	0	120	28	120	12
Employee not contactable	10	1	270	61	280	28
Total	550	100	450	100	1,000	100

Base: All cases where a discharge reason is recorded (N=1,000).

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Scottish management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 6.5 Discharge reason by types of health condition diagnosed at assessment, England and Wales

Categories	MI	Н	MS	K	Oth	er		∃& SK		∃ & her		K & her	MF MS Otl		Al	I
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Employee declined service (pre-assessment)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Employee declined service (post-assessment)	50	4	30	3	40	4	20	4	20	5	10	3	0	1	170	4
Returned to work (assessment)	10	1	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0
Case held for three months	200	17	210	17	170	14	110	29	110	22	40	20	40	41	890	18
Employee returned to work	120	10	170	14	180	14	40	11	60	12	20	10	10	7	600	12
Not in paid employment	30	3	30	2	20	1	10	3	30	5	0	1	0	3	110	2
No more action	80	6	80	6	90	7	20	6	30	6	20	11	10	9	320	7
Assumed returned to work	700	59	740	58	720	59	170	46	260	50	110	54	40	37	2,730	56
Unsuccessful referral	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0
Unable to contact employee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	0
Total	1,190	100	1,260	100	1,220	100	370	100	510	100	200	100	100	100	4,850	100

Base: All assessed and identified with one or more health conditions (N=4,853).

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

6.1.3 Discharge reason by whether employee completed intervention

TA Table 6.6 Whether they received a Return to Work Plan (RtWP)? By reasons for discharge, aggregated, England and Wales

Categories	Rece an R			receive tWP	A	II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Employee declined service (pre-assessment)	0	0	0	1	0	0
Employee declined service (post-assessment)	120	3	50	6	170	4
Returned to work (assessment)	10	0	0	0	20	0
Case held for three months	720	17	190	22	910	18
Employee returned to work	530	13	80	10	620	12
Not in paid employment	100	2	20	2	120	2
No more action	260	6	80	9	340	7
Assumed returned to work	2,360	57	440	51	2,800	56
Unsuccessful referral	10	0	0	0	10	0
Unable to contact employee	10	0	0	0	10	0
Total	4,110	100	880	100	4,980	100

Base: Clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016 and having an assessment (N=4,984).

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: English and Welsh management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

TA Table 6.7 Scotland: whether they received an RtWP? By reasons for discharge

Categories		eived RtWP		receive RtWP		.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Employee declined service (post-assessment)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employee informed returned to work (with RtWP)	230	43	0	0	230	43
Discharged post-RtWP – No further contact	110	20	0	0	110	20
Employee has exceeded three months on the service	10	1	0	0	10	1
Employee unsatisfied with service received	0	0	0	100	0	0
No further support is available	130	24	0	0	130	24
Other reason	60	11	0	0	60	11
Unable to contact employee	10	1	0	0	10	1
Total	530	100	0	100	530	100

Base: all who received an assessment where a discharge reason is recorded (N=533).

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Scottish management information, clients referred and discharged October 2015-December 2016.

6.2 Pre-assessment drop out

TA Table 6.8 Reason for not having an assessment, by whether back at work at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories		Returned No to work			Æ	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
No one from Fit for Work got in contact to arrange an assessment	36	47	25	58	60	51
I did not go through with the assessment	41	53	18	42	59	49
Total	77*	100	43*	100	119	100

Base: All who did not have an assessment (N=119). Unweighted.

Note: The differences in this table are not significant.

TA Table 6.9 Logit model for pre-assessment drop out, England and Wales

Model: Assessment	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Referenced by (Reference category: Employer)			
GP	-0.676***	(0.0510)	0.509
Medical condition (Reference category: Mental Health)			
MSK	0.224***	(0.0597)	1.251
Other	0.0182	(0.0575)	1.018
Gender (Reference category: Male)			
Female	0.123**	(0.0472)	1.131
Age range (Reference category: 35-44 years old)			
Age 45-54 years old	0.147*	(0.0672)	1.158
Age 55-64 years old	0.219**	(0.0713)	1.245
Age 65+ years old	-0.0207	(0.150)	0.980
Age 16-24 years old	-0.256*	(0.107)	0.774
Age 25-34 years old	-0.0143	(0.0726)	0.986
Country (Reference category: England)			
Wales	0.104	(0.0783)	1.110
Quintile of IMD (Reference category: Quintile 1)			
Quintile 2	0.190**	(0.0660)	1.209
Quintile 3	0.167*	(0.0683)	1.182
Quintile 4	0.287***	(0.0729)	1.332
Quintile 5	0.295***	(0.0793)	1.343
Constant	0.216*	(0.107)	1.241
Pseudo R-squared	0.025		

Base: (N=8,024)

Standard errors in parentheses

Source: Management information in England and Wales, employees referred and discharged between October 2015 and December 2016.

^{*} p<0.05 ** p<0.01 *** p<0.001

TA Table 6.10 Logit model for pre-assessment drop out, Scotland

Dependent variable: Assessment		Model 2	
			Odds
Explanatory variables	В	Standard Error	Ratio
Referenced by (Reference category: Employer)			
GP	-0.606***	(0.132)	0.5
Gender (Reference category: Male)			
Female	-0.104	(0.133)	0.9
Age range (Reference category: 35-44 years old)			
Age 45-54 years old	0.154	(0.187)	1.2
Age 55-64 years old	0.0305	(0.200)	1.0
Age 65+ years old	-0.193	(0.664)	8.0
Age 16-24 years old	-0.301	(0.273)	0.7
Age 25-34 years old	-0.0891	(0.196)	0.9
Quintile of SIMD (Reference category: Quintile 1)			
Quintile 2	-0.0536	(0.183)	0.9
Quintile 3	0.107	(0.192)	1.1
Quintile 4	0.501*	(0.210)	1.7
Quintile 5	0.634**	(0.220)	1.9
Constant	0.267	(0.198)	1.3
N	994		
pseudo R-sq	0.027		
Prob > chi2	0.0001		

Standard errors in parentheses

Source: Management information in Scotland, employees referred and discharged between October 2015 and December 2016.

^{*} p<0.05 ** p<0.01 *** p<0.001

6.3 Post-assessment drop out

TA Table 6.11 Logit model for post-assessment drop out, England and Wales

Model: Assessment	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Referenced by (Reference category: Employer)			
GP	-0.226**	(0.0869)	0.798
Medical condition (Reference category: Mental Health)			
MSK	0.577***	(0.102)	1.781
Other	0.351***	(0.0938)	1.420
Gender (Reference category: Male)			
Female	-0.0806	(0.0787)	0.923
Age range (Reference category: 35-44 years old)			
Age 45-54 years old	-0.135	(0.109)	0.874
Age 55-64 years old	-0.0547	(0.115)	0.947
Age 65+ years old	0.185	(0.279)	1.203
Age 16-24 years old	0.148	(0.197)	1.160
Age 25-34 years old	0.189	(0.126)	1.208
Country (Reference category: England)			
Wales	-0.298*	(0.146)	0.742
Quintile of IMD (Reference category: Quintile 1)			
Quintile 2	-0.314**	(0.117)	0.731
Quintile 3	-0.510***	(0.117)	0.600
Quintile 4	-0.487***	(0.122)	0.614
Quintile 5	-0.451***	(0.131)	0.637
Multiple health condition (Reference category: None)			
One condition	0.00937	(0.236)	1.009
Multiple conditions	-0.263	(0.240)	0.769
Any work obstacle (Reference: None)			
One or more work obstacles	-0.822***	(0.0944)	0.440
Any home life obstacle			
One or more home life obstacles	-0.299**	(0.113)	0.742
Constant	2.289***	(0.296)	
pseudo R-sq	0.048		

Base: (N=4,932)

Standard errors in parentheses

Source: Management information in England and Wales, employees referred and discharged between October 2015 and December 2016.

^{*} p<0.05 ** p<0.01 *** p<0.001

TA Table 6.12 Post-assessment drop out: Wave One employee survey (logistic regression)

Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Gender (Reference category: Female)			
Male	0.168	0.375	1.183
Level of choice in referral (Reference category: Had choice in referral)			
No choice in referral	0.106	0.380	1.112
Length of sickness absence before Fit for Work referral (Reference category: 3 months or more)			
Less than 1 month	0.372	0.525	1.451
1-2 months	-0.647	0.397	0.524
Referral route (Reference category: GP)			
Employer	-0.009	0.401	0.991
Age (Reference category: 55+)			
Under 35	0.682	0.508	1.977
35 to 54	0.321	0.484	1.379
Ethnicity (Reference category: All non-white)			
White	-0.519	0.447	0.595
Caring responsibilities (Reference category: Caring responsibilities)			
No caring responsibilities	0.122	0.353	1.130
Region (Reference category: Scotland)			
England and Wales	0.773	0.751	2.167
Access to occupational health (Reference category: No)			
Yes	-0.134	0.351	0.874
Primary health condition (Reference category: Other health condition)			
Mental health	0.521	0.489	1.683
MSK	0.359	0.458	1.431
Sickness absence wages (Reference category: Yes)			
No	0.213	0.358	1.237
Job satisfaction (Reference category: Satisfied)			
Neutral or dissatisfied	0.370	0.396	1.448
Interaction between work and health condition (Reference category: Condition caused or made worse by work)			

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Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Condition neither caused or made worse by work	0.318	0.377	1.375
Current employment situation (Reference category: Returned to work)			
Off sick	-0.355	0.381	0.701
First assessment format (Reference category: Telephone)			
Face-to-face	0.224	1.230	1.251
Opinion on first assessment format (Reference category: Happy with format)			
Wanted different format	0.242	0.490	1.273
Assessment focused on return to work (Reference category: Satisfied)			
Neutral or dissatisfied	-0.182	0.527	0.833
Case manager was easy to talk to (Reference category: Satisfied)			
Neutral or dissatisfied	-1.299	0.787	0.273
Assessment focused on all issues affecting return to work (Reference category: Satisfied)			
Neutral or dissatisfied	1.218*	0.539	3.381
Assessment was conducted professionally (Reference category: Satisfied)			
Neutral or dissatisfied	2.043**	0.705	7.717
Occupation (Reference category: Managers and professionals)			
Admin, skilled trades and carers	-0.102	0.501	0.903
Sales, process and elementary occupations	0.588	0.481	1.800
Sector (Reference category: Public administration and public services)			
Energy, manufacturing, construction, logistics	1.108	0.691	3.028
Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other	1.086	0.674	2.964
Health, care and charity	1.291	0.737	3.637
Constant	-5.323	1.327	0.005
R^2	0.153		

^{*} p < 0.05 ** p < 0.01

Base: N=706.

7 Outcomes of the Fit for Work service

TA Table 7.1 Views on the benefits of Fit for Work and difference made (Weighted data)

Categories		Strongly agree A		Neither agree nor Agree disagree			Disa	Strongly Disagree disagree			All
	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N	Row %	N
Helped to return to work more quickly	110	35	84	26	65	20	40	12	19	6	318
Helped stay in work	89	28	96	30	80	25	41	13	11	4	317
Reduced the likelihood of having a period of long-term sickness absence in the future	76	25	66	21	110	36	43	14	14	5	309
Helped to reduce number of days off work since return to work	76	24	89	28	88	28	47	15	15	5	315
Helped to work more productively	68	21	80	25	116	36	42	13	13	4	319
Helped to have better relationships at work	61	20	75	24	114	36	41	13	22	7	314
Helped to increase the amount of hours able to work	58	18	76	24	107	34	50	16	22	7	312
Helped to manage my health condition(s)	119	24	150	31	127	26	61	12	32	6	487

Base: All scales apart from management of health: all respondents back at work reporting FfW helped them return to work quicker (N=320), helped stay in work (N=320), reduced likelihood of further sickness absence (N=310), reduced number of sick days since return to work (N=317), helped work more productively (N=321), helped to have better relationships at work (N=315), helped to increase hours worked (N=313). Management of health: all respondents reporting FfW helped manage health condition (N=486). Unweighted.

7.1 Return to work

7.1.1 Employment status two months after discharge

TA Table 7.2 Are you now back working again in any capacity? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental health		MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Returned to work	233	69	246	62	192	65	679	65
Not returned to work	105	31	154	38	102	35	366	35
Total	340	100	400	100	295	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents reporting their health condition (N=1,035). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 7.3 Are you now back working again in any capacity? By perceived choice in referral (Weighted data)

Categories	No choice		Some	choice	All		
		Col		Col		Col	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	
Returned to work	194	57	478	69	679	65	
Not returned to work	147	43	215	31	366	35	
Total	341	100	693	100	1,045	100	

Base: All respondents with choice in referral (N=1,034). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 7.4 Are you now back working again in any capacity? By occupation (Weighted data)

Categories	Managers and professionals		Admin, skilled trades and carers		Sales, process and elementary occupations		А	II
		Col		Col		Col		Col
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Returned to work	200	77	225	61	253	60	679	65
Not returned to work	59	23	141	39	166	40	366	35
Total	259	100	366	100	419	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

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TA Table 7.5 Are you back working at Wave One? By referral route (Weighted data)

Categories	GP		Emp	loyer	All		
	Col			Col		Col	
	Ν	%	Ν	%	N	%	
Returned to work	161	61	503	67	679	65	
Not returned to work	101	39	250	33	366	35	
Total	262	100	753	100	1,045	100	

Base: All respondents who gave referral route (N=1,015). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Note: The differences in this table are not significant.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 7.6 Are you back working at Wave One? By whether had an assessment (Weighted data)

Categories		Had an assessment		not essment	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col N %		Col %	
Returned to work	586	65	93	63	679	65	
Not returned to work	311	35	55	37	366	35	
Total	897	100	148	100	1,045	100	

Base: All who recalled assessment (N=1,045). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Note: The differences in this table are not significant.

TA Table 7.7 Are you back working at Wave One? By whether had an RtWP (Weighted data)

Categories	asses	Had an assessment and an RtWP		Had an assessment but not an RtWP (post- assessment drop out)		t have P (post- sment ut and essment out)	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Returned to work	535	66	50	60	144	62	679	65	
Not returned to work	278	34	33	40	88	38	366	35	
Total	813	100	83*	100	232	100	1,045	100	

Base: All respondents who recalled assessment (N=895). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Note: The differences in this table are not significant.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 7.8 Are you back working at Wave One? By initial level of job satisfaction (Weighted data)

Categories		Not satisfied in job		Satisfied in job		II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Returned to work	208	70	469	63	679	65
Not returned to work	91	30	275	37	366	35
Total	299	100	744	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents giving satisfaction in current job (N=1,043). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.9 Are you back working at Wave One? By initial concerns over losing pay (Weighted data)

Categories	Unconcerned about losing pay		Concern losin	ed about g pay	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Returned to work	229	80	442	59	679	65
Not returned to Work	57	20	308	41	366	35
Total	286	100	750	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents giving concern about pay (N=1,037). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 7.10 Are you back working at Wave One? By initial concerns over losing job (Weighted data)

Categories	Unconcerned about losing job		Concerned about losing job		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Row %
Returned to work	293	78	382	58	679	65
Not returned to work	84	22	282	42	366	35
Total	377	100	664	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents giving concern about losing job (N=1,041). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 7.11 Are you back working at Wave One? By initial concerns over impact on business (Weighted data)

Categories	Unconcerned about impact on business			ed about business	A	II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Row %
Returned to work	424	68	241	60	679	65
Not returned to work	202	32	158	40	366	35
Total	626	100	399	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents giving concern about impact on business (N=1,025). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.12 What job are you doing? Are you doing the same type of work as before you went off sick or a different type of job? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Under 35		35-54		55+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Yes, the same type of work	145	82	288	84	142	91	575	85
No, different type of job	31	18	56	16	14	9	104	15
Total	176	100	344	100	156	100	679	100

Base: All back at work and reporting age (N=676). All respondents back at work (N=676). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 7.13 What job are you doing? Are you doing the same type of work as before you went off sick or a different type of job? By occupation (Weighted data)

Categories	Managers and professionals		Admin, skilled trades and carers		Sales, process and elementary occupations		А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Yes, the same type of work	173	86	201	89	201	79	575	85
No, different type of job	28	14	24	11	52	21	104	15
Total	201	100	225	100	253	100	679	100

Base: All back at work and reporting occupation (N=676). All respondents back at work (N=676). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 7.14 Is your job with the same employer or a different one? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	er 35	35-	35-54		55+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
The same employer	114	82	305	89	149	96	601	89	
A different one	32	18	39	11	7	4	78	11	
Total	176	100	344	100	156	100	679	100	

Base: All back at work and reporting age (N=676). All back at work (N=676). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.15 Is your job with the same employer or a different one? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental Health		M	MSK		Other		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
The same employer	196	84	218	88	180	94	601	89	
A different one	37	16	29	12	12	6	78	11	
Total	233	100	246	100	192	100	679	100	

Base: All back at work and reporting health condition (N=669). All back at work (N=676). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.16 Returning to work (logistic regression)

Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Gender (Reference category: Male)			
Female	0.244	0.194	1.252
Level of choice in referral (Reference category: No choice in referral)			
Had choice in referral	-0.268	0.148	0.764
Length of sickness absence before Fit for Work referral (Reference category: 3 months or more)			
Less than 1 month	0.748*	0.320	2.113
1-2 months	0.532	0.184	1.423
Referral route (Reference category: GP)			
Employer	0.597**	0.199	1.816
Age (Reference category: 55+)			
Under 35	0.108	0.252	1.114
35-54	-0.070	0.216	0.932
Ethnicity (Reference category: White)			
All non-white	-0.112	0.251	0.894
Caring responsibilities (Reference category: No caring responsibilities)			
Caring responsibilities	0.054	0.177	1.056
Region (Reference category: Scotland)			
England and Wales	0.511	0.292	1.667
Access to occupational health (Reference category: No)			
Yes	0.185	0.176	1.203
Primary health condition (Reference category: MSK)			
Mental health	-0.248	0.225	0.780
Other	-0.200	0.215	0.819
Sickness absence wages (Reference category: No)			
Yes	0.537**	0.178	1.710
Job satisfaction (Reference category: Not satisfied)			
Satisfied	0.230	0.206	1.377

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Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Interaction between work and health condition (Reference category: Health condition caused by or made worse by work)			
Health condition not caused by or made worse by work	0.314	0.192	1.369
Current health (Reference category: Same or worse)			
Improved	-1.855**	0.179	0.156
Occupation (Reference category: Sales, process and elementary occupations)			
Managers and professionals	0.424	0.243	1.528
Admin, skilled trades and carers	0.036	0.223	1.036
Sector (Reference category: Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other)			
Energy, manufacturing, construction, logistics	0.288	0.238	1.334
Health, care and charity	-0.053	0.270	0.949
Public administration and public services	0.137	0.257	1.146
Constant	-0.380	0.439	0.684
R^2	0.283		

^{*} p < 0.05, ** p < 0.01

Base: N=837.

TA Table 7.17 Are you still seeking to return to work? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	er 35	35-55		5	5+	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Yes definitely	40	53	90	50	40	37	170	47
Yes possibly	20	21	30	17	20	24	70	20
No	10	13	30	14	20	24	60	16
Depends	10	11	20	12	10	12	40	12
Don't know	0	2	10	7	0	2	20	5
Total	80*	100	190	100	90*	100	370	100

Base: All not back at work and reporting age (N=366) All not back at work (N=369). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 7.18 Are you still seeking to return to work? By health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental	Mental Health		MSK		her	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Yes definitely	60	55	80	49	40	37	170	47
Yes possibly	20	20	30	21	20	17	70	20
No	20	14	20	15	20	21	60	16
Depends	10	9	20	11	20	17	40	12
Don't know	0	2	10	4	10	8	20	5
Total	110	100	150	100	100	100	370	100

Base: All not back at work and reporting health condition (N=366). All not back at work (N=369). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 7.19 How helpful or unhelpful has your involvement with the service been in preparing you to return to work at some point in the future? By level of referral choice (Weighted data)

Categories	Had no	choice	Had a	choice	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Very helpful	30	20	60	35	90	29	
Fairly helpful	30	21	50	28	80	25	
Neither helpful nor unhelpful	30	26	30	18	70	21	
Fairly unhelpful	10	8	10	3	20	6	
Very unhelpful	30	23	20	13	50	17	
Don't know	0	1	10	3	10	3	
Total	120	100	180	100	310	100	

Base: All seeking to/all unsure about returning to work (N=303). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 7.20 Which of the following statements best describes your involvement with the service? By whether received a Fit for Work assessment (Weighted data)

Categories		ved an		ceived essment	А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
It made very little difference to me returning to work	335	37	81	68	432	41
It enabled me to return to work quicker than I would otherwise have done	372	41	11	9	390	37
It should enable me to return to work quicker than I otherwise would have done	92	10	8	7	103	10
It delayed me getting back to work	48	5	8	7	57	5
Don't know	51	6	12	10	63	6
Total	897	100	119	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents recalling assessment (N=1,014). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.21 Which of the following statements best describes your involvement with the service? By whether received a Return to Work Plan (RtWP) (Weighted data)

Categories	Received an RtWP			receive RtWP	А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
It made very little difference to me returning to work	289	36	37	57	432	41
It enabled me to return to work quicker than I would otherwise have done	352	43	14	22	390	37
It should enable me to return to work quicker than I otherwise would have done	87	11	3	5	103	10
It delayed me getting back to work	37	5	8	12	57	5
Don't know	48	6	3	5	63	6
Total	813	100	65*	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents undertaking an assessment (N=878). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

7.1.2 Employment status eight - ten months after discharge

TA Table 7.22 Current employment status, by access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Additional sick pay		No additional sick pay		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Currently working	204	72	108	56	320	65
Not currently working	81	28	85	44	172	35
Total	285	100	193	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting current employment status at Wave Two and access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave One (N=478). All respondents reporting current employment status at Wave Two (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.23 Current employment status, by access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Additional sick pay			No additional sick pay		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Currently working	207	98	95	71	320	65	
Not currently working	4	2	39	29	172	35	
Total	211	100	134	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting current employment status at Wave Two and access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave Two (N=349). All respondents reporting current employment status at Wave Two (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey

TA Table 7.24 Current employment status, by occupation at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	•	Managers and professionals		Admin, skilled trades and carers		Sales, process and elementary occupations		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Currently working	100	80	103	59	117	61	320	65	
Not currently working	25	20	72	41	75	39	172	35	
Total	125	100	175	100	192	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents in work reporting current employment status at Wave Two and occupation (N=492). All respondents reporting current employment status at Wave Two (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.25 Current employment status, by current mental health (Weighted data)

Categories	Good		Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Currently working	229	78	47	46	43	47	320	65
Not currently working	63	22	56	54	49	53	172	35
Total	292	100	103	100	92*	100	492	100

Base: All respondents in work reporting employment status at Wave Two and current mental health (N=488). All respondents reporting current employment status at Wave Two (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.26 Current employment status, by current physical health (Weighted data)

Categories	Good		Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Currently working	185	82	87	49	46	53	320	65
Not currently working	40	18	91	51	40	47	172	35
Total	225	100	178	100	86*	100	492	100

Base: All respondents in work reporting employment status at Wave Two and current physical health (N=489). All respondents reporting current employment status at Wave Two (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.27 Current employment status, by change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Better		Same or worse		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Currently working	246	80	70	39	320	65
Not currently working	60	20	111	61	172	35
Total	306	100	181	100	492	100

Base: All respondents in work reporting employment status at Wave Two and change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=487). All respondents reporting employment status at Wave Two (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.28 Current employment status, by change in current physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Better		Same or worse		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Currently working	244	80	73	40	320	65
Not currently working	61	20	109	60	172	35
Total	305	100	182	100	492	100

Base: All respondents in work reporting employment status at Wave Two and change in current physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (N=488). All respondents reporting employment status at Wave Two (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.29 Employment status at Wave Two (logistic regression)

Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Gender (Reference category: Female)			
Male	.404	.296	1.498
Ethnicity (Reference category: BME)			
White	.472	.398	1.604
Age (Reference category: 55+)			
Under 35	.283	.389	1.328
35 to 54	.491	.352	1.634
Primary health condition (Reference category: Other)			
Mental health	658	.382	.518
MSK	.035	.350	1.035
Caring – pre-16 (Reference category: Caring responsibilities)			
No caring responsibilities	.012	.317	1.012
Caring – post-16 (Reference category: No caring responsibilities)			
Caring responsibilities	272	.355	.762
Region (Reference category: England and Wales)			
Scotland	.072	.430	1.075
Referral route (Reference category: GP)			
Employer	.007	.306	1.007
Occupation at Wave One (Reference category: Admin, skilled trades and carers)			
Managers and professionals	.613	.382	1.845
Sales, process and elementary occupations	.217	.366	1.243
Sector – Wave One (Reference category: Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other)			
Energy, manufacturing, construction, logistics	.115	.349	1.121
Health, care and charity	.966*	.451	2.629
Public administration and public services	.905	.471	2.473
Employer size at Wave One (Reference category: Fewer than 50 employees)			
50-249 employees	.291	.326	1.338
250 employees or more	.765*	.361	2.149

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Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Access to occupational health at Wave One (Reference category: No access to OH)			
Access to OH	456	.286	.634
Access to sick pay in addition to SSP at Wave One (Reference category: No access to additional sick pay)			
Access to additional sick pay	.699*	.290	2.012
Current mental health (Reference category: Fair or poor)			
Good	.542	.372	1.720
Changeable	186	.426	.831
Current physical health (Reference category: Fair or poor)**			
Good	1.051**	.340	2.861
Changeable	.029	.380	1.029
Change in health since referral to Fit for Work (Reference category: Same or worse)			
Better	1.232*	.407	3.428
Change in health since Wave One interview (Reference category: Same or worse)			
Better	.525	.375	1.690
Receipt of subsequent support from sources other than Fit for Work (Reference category: Received other support)			
Did not receive other support	.515	.314	1.674
Agreement on ability of Fit for Work to manage health condition (Reference category: Agree)			
Neutral and disagree	325	.316	.722
Overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (Reference category: Satisfied)			
Neutral and dissatisfied	053	.351	.949
Constant	-3.015*	.906	.049
R^2	0.41		

^{*} p < 0.05, ** p < 0.01

Base: N=397

TA Table 7.30 Fit for Work helped respondent return to work more quickly, by access to occupational health at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Access to OH		No access to OH		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	48	33	75	44	124	39
Agree	96	67	94	56	195	61
Total	144	100	169	100	318	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on speed of return to work and access to occupational health at Wave One (N=315). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on speed of return to work (N=320). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.31 Fit for Work helped respondent return to work more quickly, by sector at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	constructio	nufacturing, n, transport gistics	creative,	tality, leisure, business and other		h, care charity		ninistration c services	Δ	АII
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	24	30	34	34	38	49	27	47	124	39
Agree	57	70	67	66	40	51	31	53	195	61
Total	81*	100	101	100	78*	100	58*	100	318	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on speed of return to work and sector at Wave One (N=320). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on speed of return to work (N=320). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.32 Fit for Work helped respondent return to work more quickly, by change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	tter		ne or rse	Д	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	81	33	39	57	124	39
Agree	165	67	29	43	195	61
Total	246	100	68*	100	318	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on speed of return to work and change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=317). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on speed of return to work (N=320). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.33 Fit for Work helped respondent return to work more quickly, by change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Better			ne or rse	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral and disagree	87	36	35	49	124	39	
Agree	158	64	36	51	195	61	
Total	245	100	71*	100	318	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on speed of return to work and change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (N=318). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on speed of return to work (N=320). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.34 Fit for Work helped respondent return to work more quickly, by health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Menta	health	th MSK		Ot	her	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	32	28	52	43	38	46	124	39
Agree	81	72	68	57	45	54	195	61
Total	113	100	120	100	83*	100	318	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on speed of return to work and health condition (N=318). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on speed of return to work (N=320). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.35 Change in employment status between Wave One and Wave Two interviews (Weighted data)

		Col
Categories	N	%
In work at both Wave One and Wave Two	273	56
Out of work at both Wave One and Wave Two	129	26
Entered work between Wave One and Wave Two	47	10
Left work between Wave One and Wave Two	43	9
Total	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting change in employment status (N=492). Unweighted. Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.36 Employment status of employed respondents (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
In full-time employment, working 30 hours a week or more	220	67
In part-time employment, working less than 30 hours a week	100	30
Self-employed full-time, working 30 hours a week or more	10	2
Self-employed part-time, working less than 30 hours a week	0	0
Other	0	1
Total	320	100

Base: All respondents in work at Wave Two reporting employment status (N=322). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 7.37 Changes in nature of work since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
Same type of work	237	75
Different type of work	81	25
Total	318	100

Base: All respondents in work at Wave Two reporting any change in nature of work (N=321). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.38 Change in employed respondents' type of work, by change in employer (Weighted data)

Categories	Same employer			erent loyer	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Same type of work	193	89	44	46	237	75	
Different type of work	25	11	52	54	81	26	
Total	218	100	96*	100	319	100	

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in type of work and change in employer (N=317). All respondents in work reporting change in type of work (N=321). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.39 Change in employed respondents' type of work, by access to sick pay in addition to SSP at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Additional sick pay		No additional sick pay		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Same type of work	161	79	71	66	237	75
Different type of work	42	21	37	34	81	26
Total	203	100	108	100	319	100

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in type of work and access to sick pay in addition to SSP at Wave One (N=313). All respondents in work reporting change in type of work (N=321). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.40 Change in employed respondents' type of work, by occupation at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	•	Managers and professionals		Admin, skilled trades and carers		Sales, process and elementary occupations		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Same type of work	82	83	79	78	76	64	237	75	
Different type of work	17	17	22	22	42	36	81	26	
Total	99*	100	101	100	118	100	319	100	

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in type of work and occupation (N=321). All respondents in work reporting change in type of work (N=321). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.41 Change in employed respondents' type of work, by sector at Wave One (Weighted data)

	manufa constr	ergy, acturing, uction, ort and	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and		Health	Health, care		Public administration and public		
Categories		stics	ot	ner	and c	harity		/ices	А	All .
		Col		Col		Col		Col		Col
	Ν	%	Ν	%	Ν	%	Ν	%	N	%
Same type of work	63	78	65	64	66	84	43	75	237	75
Different type of work	18	22	37	36	13	17	14	24	81	26
Total	81*	100	102	100	79*	100	57*	100	319	100

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in type of work and sector at Wave One (N=321). All respondents in work reporting change in type of work (N=321). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.42 Change in employed respondents' type of work, by sector at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	manufa constr transpo	•	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other		Health, care and charity		Public administration and public services		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Same type of work	45	76	92	67	66	84	34	81	237	75
Different type of work	14	24	46	33	13	17	8	19	81	26
Total	59*	100	138	100	79*	100	42*	100	319	100

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in type of work and sector at Wave Two (N=321). All respondents in work reporting change in type of work (N=321). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.43 Change in employed respondents' type of work, by current mental health (Weighted data)

Categories	Good Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All			
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Same type of work	173	75	39	83	25	60	237	75
Different type of work	57	25	8	17	17	41	81	26
Total	230	100	47*	100	42*	100	319	100

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in type of work and current mental health (N=320). All respondents in work reporting change in type of work (N=321). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.44 Change in employed respondents' type of work, by change in physical and mental health since Wave One interview (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	tter		me orse	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Same type of work	173	71	63	86	237	75	
Different type of work	70	29	10	13	81	26	
Total	243	100	73*	100	319	100	

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in type of work and change in physical and mental health since Wave One interview (N=319). All respondents in work reporting change in type of work (N=321). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.45 Change in employed respondents' type of work, by age (Weighted data)

Categories	Under 35		35-54		5	5+	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Same type of work	53	63	129	75	56	86	237	75
Different type of work	31	37	42	25	9	14	81	26
Total	84*	100	171	100	65*	100	319	100

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in type of work and age (N=321). All respondents in work reporting change in type of work (N=321). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.46 Changes in employer since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
The same employer	219	69
A different employer	96	30
Self-employed	4	1
Total	319	100

Base: All respondents in work at Wave Two reporting any change in employer (N=322). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.47 Change in employed respondents' employer, by gender (Weighted data)

Categories	Male		Fen	nale	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Same employer	88	63	131	74	219	69
Different employer	51	37	46	26	96	31
Total	139	100	177	100	315	100

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in employer and gender (N=318). All respondents in work reporting change in employer (N=318). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.48 Change in employed respondents' employer, by health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental	Mental health		SK	Other		All	
	N	Col	N.1	Col		Col		Col
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Same employer	68	61	83	69	67	82	219	69
Different employer	44	39	37	31	15	18	96	31
Total	112	100	120	100	82*	100	315	100

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in employer and health condition (N=316). All respondents in work reporting change in employer (N=318). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.49 Change in employed respondents' employer, by access to occupational health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Access to OH			ccess OH	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Same employer	105	67	111	80	219	69	
Different employer	52	33	28	20	96	31	
Total	157	100	139	100	315	100	

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in employer and access to occupational health at Wave Two (N=299). All respondents in work reporting change in employer (N=318). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.50 Change in employed respondents' employer, by access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Additional sick pay		No add	ditional pay	All	
	N	Col N %		Col %	N	Col %
Same employer	154	77	59	56	219	69
Different employer	47	23	47	44	96	31
Total	201	100	106	100	315	100

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in employer and access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave One (N=310). All respondents in work reporting change in employer (N=318). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.51 Change in employed respondents' employer, by access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories		Additional sick pay		ditional pay	Д	All		
		Col		Col		Col		
	Ν	%	Ν	%	Ν	%		
Same employer	154	75	59	63	219	69		
Different employer	50	25	35	37	96	31		
Total	204	100	94	100	315	100		

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in employer and access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave Two (N=302). All respondents in work reporting change in employer (N=318). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.52 Change in employed respondents' employer, by age (Weighted data)

Categories	Und	er 35	35-	-54	5	5+	Α	\l
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Same employer	40	48	123	73	56	88	219	69
Different employer	43	52	46	27	8	13	96	31
Total	83*	100	169	100	64*	100	315	100

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in employer and age (N=318). All respondents in work reporting change in employer (N=318). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.53 Change in employed respondents' employer, by source of referral (Weighted data)

Categories	GP		Employer		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Same employer	53	59	164	74	219	69
Different employer	37	41	58	26	96	31
Total	90*	100	222	100	315	100

Base: All respondents in work reporting change in employer and source of referral (N=314). All respondents in work reporting change in employer (N=318). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.54 Additional period of sickness absence lasting over one week for employees in work at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
Yes, the same reason	17	5
Yes, for another reason	26	8
No, not been off sick since returned to work	275	86
Total	318	100

Base: All respondents in work at Wave Two (N=320). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.55 Total duration of sickness absence after discharge from Fit for Work for employees in work at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
Under 1 month	45	20
1-3 months	103	46
3 months+	39	18
No sick leave taken	27	12
Total	225	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting any subsequent sickness absence (N=231). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.56 Continuity of sick leave since discharge from Fit for Work (Weighted data)

		Col
Categories	N	%
Employee continually off work since Wave One interview	118	69
Returned to work for a period of time after Wave One interview	52	31
Total	171	100

Base: All respondents not currently in work at Wave Two reporting continuity of sickness absence (N=169). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.57 Incidents of sick leave since discharge from Fit for Work (Weighted data)

		Col
Categories	N	%
A single period of sickness absence	32	73
Multiple periods of sickness absence	12	27
Total	43*	100

Base: All respondents not currently in work at Wave Two who had returned to work for some time (N=41). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.58 Periods of employment for out of work employees between Wave One and Wave Two interviews (Weighted data)

		Col
Categories	N	%
To the same job with the same employer	40	81
To a different job with the same employer	0	5
With a different employer	10	13
To several different job roles	0	2
Total	50*	100

Base: All respondents not currently in work at Wave Two who had been back to work for a period of time reporting experience of returning to work (N=51*). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 7.59 Reasons why respondents out of work or in a new position left their former job role (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included	
Categories	%
Felt could not cope with physical/mental demands at work	34
Was found unfit for work by FfW/GP/Work Capability Assessment	28
Employment terminated by employer due to ill health	25
Work-related stress	22
Employer was inflexible	18
Poor relationship with previous employer	15
Still with same employer (but on sick leave)	15
Dissatisfied with job/job opportunities	14
Harassment or bullying at work	13
Employer didn't action my RtWP	10
Employment terminated by employer due to other reason	9
Needed different working hours	8
Not financially worthwhile	5
Due to my illness/medical conditions	4
Moved house/location	3
Still with same employer but have different job/duties	3
Got a promotion/pay rise	1
Family issues/caring for member of the family	1
Retired	1
Other	39
Base	242

Base: All respondents not currently in work at Wave Two or who are in a different job reporting reasons for leaving their former employment (N=242). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.60 Reason why left previous role: Work-related stress, by employment status at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories		Currently working		Not currently working		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Experienced	31	38	25	15	56	22	
Did not experience	50	62	147	85	197	78	
Total	81*	100	172	100	253	100	

Base: All respondents not currently in work reporting current employment status and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not workplace stress caused them to leave work and employment status at Wave Two (N=246). All respondents not currently in work reporting current employment status and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not workplace stress caused them to leave work (N=246). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.61 Reason why left previous role: Work-related stress, by change in physical and mental health compared to time of referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Better		Same or worse		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Experienced	35	28	21	17	56	22
Did not experience	89	72	105	83	197	78
Total	124	100	126	100	253	100

Base: All respondents not currently in work reporting current employment status and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not workplace stress caused them to leave work and change in physical and mental health compared to time of referral to Fit for Work (N=243). All respondents not currently in work reporting current employment status and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not workplace stress caused them to leave work (N=246). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.62 Reason why left previous role: Work-related stress, by change in physical and mental health compared to time of interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	Same Better or worse			Д	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Experienced	41	31	15	13	56	22
Did not experience	90	69	105	88	197	78
Total	131	100	120	100	253	100

Base: All respondents not currently in work reporting current employment status and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not workplace stress caused them to leave work and change in physical and mental health compared to time of interview at Wave One (N=243). All respondents not currently in work reporting current employment status and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not workplace stress caused them to leave work (N=246). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.63 Reason why left previous role: Work-related stress, by referral source (Weighted data)

Categories	GP		Employer		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Experienced	25	30	30	18	56	22
Did not experience	57	70	137	82	197	78
Total	82*	100	167	100	253	100

Base: All respondents not currently in work reporting current employment status and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not workplace stress caused them to leave work and referral source (N=242). All respondents not currently in work reporting current employment status and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not workplace stress caused them to leave work (N=246). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.64 Reason why left previous role: Felt they could not cope with physical/mental demands at work, by current mental health (Weighted data)

Categories	Go	ood	Fair c	or poor		geable time	А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Experienced	30	25	31	48	24	37	56	22
Did not experience	89	75	34	52	41	63	197	78
Total	119	100	65*	100	65*	100	253	100

Base: All respondents not currently in work and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not their ability to cope with physical/mental demands caused them to leave work and current mental health (N=243). All respondents not currently in work reporting current employment status and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not workplace stress caused them to leave work (N=246). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.65 Reason why left previous role: Felt they could not cope with physical/mental demands at work, by ethnicity (Weighted data)

Categories	Wł	White		ВМЕ		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Experienced	78	36	6	18	56	22	
Did not experience	137	64	28	82	197	78	
Total	215	100	34*	100	253	100	

Base: All respondents not currently in work and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not their ability to cope with physical/mental demands caused them to leave work and ethnicity (N=243). All respondents not currently in work reporting current employment status and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not workplace stress caused them to leave work (N=246). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.66 Reason why left previous role: Respondent not found fit for work, by size of employer at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories		nan 50 oyees		249 oyees	25 emplo		А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Not found fit for work	30	38	23	26	13	20	70	28
Found fit for work	48	62	66	74	51	80	183	72
Total	78*	100	89*	100	64*	100	253	100

Base: All respondents not currently in work and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not being found fit for work caused them to leave work and size of employer at Wave One (N=224). All respondents not currently in work and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not being found fit for work caused them to leave work (N=246). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.67 Reason why left previous role: Respondent not found fit for work, by current mental health (Weighted data)

Categories	Go	ood	Fair o	r poor	-	geable time	Д	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Not found fit for work	23	19	27	42	19	29	70	28
Found fit for work	97	81	38	58	47	71	183	72
Total	120	100	65*	100	66*	100	253	100

Base: All respondents not currently in work and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not being found fit for work caused them to leave work and current mental health (N=243). All respondents not currently in work and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not being found fit for work caused them to leave work (N=246). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.68 Reason why left previous role: Respondent found not fit for work, by change in current physical and mental health compared to time of referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Ве	Same Better or worse				
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Not found fit for work	27	22	43	34	70	28
Found fit for work	97	78	83	66	183	72
Total	124	100	126	100	253	100

Base: All respondents not currently in work and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not being found fit for work caused them to leave work and change in current physical and mental health compared to time of referral to Fit for Work (N=243). All respondents not currently in work and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not being found fit for work caused them to leave work (N=246). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.69 Reason why left previous role: Employer terminated respondent's contract due to ill health, by change in current physical and mental health compared to time of referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Ве	All				
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Experienced	22	18	39	31	61	24
Did not experience	102	82	87	69	192	76
Total	124	100	126	100	253	100

Base: All respondents not currently in work and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not their employment contract was terminated due to ill health and change in current physical and mental health compared to time of referral to Fit for Work (N=243). All respondents not currently in work and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not their employment contract was terminated due to ill health (N=246). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.70 Reason why left previous role: Employer terminated respondent's contract due to ill health, by change in current physical and mental health compared to time of Wave One interview (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	tter		me orse	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Experienced	21	16	40	34	61	24
Did not experience	110	84	79	66	192	76
Total	131	100	119	100	253	100

Base: All respondents not currently in work and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not their employment contract was terminated due to ill health and change in current physical and mental health compared to time of Wave One interview (N=243). All respondents not currently in work and all respondents in work reporting a change of employer reporting whether or not their employment contract was terminated due to ill health (N=246). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.71 Any incidence of returning to work post-discharge (logistic regression)

Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Gender (Reference category: Female)			
Male	.255	.331	1.291
Ethnicity (Reference category: BME)			
White	.334	.431	1.397
Age (Reference category: 55+)*			
Under 35	1.205*	.460	3.337
35 to 54	.461	.373	1.585
Primary health condition (Reference category: Other)			
Mental health	.271	.420	1.311
MSK	.218	.370	1.244
Caring – pre-16 (Reference category: Caring responsibilities)			
No caring responsibilities	.453	.355	1.574
Caring – post-16 (Reference category: Caring responsibilities)			
No caring responsibilities	.298	.386	1.348
Region (Reference category: England and Wales)			
Scotland	236	.474	.790
Referral route (Reference category: GP)			
Employer	.212	.339	1.236
Occupation at Wave One (Reference category: Admin, skilled trades and carers)			
Managers and professionals	.601	.431	1.824
Sales, process and elementary occupations	.131	.397	1.140
Sector – Wave One (Reference category: Health, care and charity)			
Energy, manufacturing, construction, logistics	407	.510	.666
Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other	513	.489	.598
Public administration and public services	.025	.530	1.025
Employer size (Reference category: Less than 50 employees)			
50 – 249 employees	.122	.364	1.130

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Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
250+ employees	.185	.385	1.203
Access to occupational health at Wave One (Reference category: No access to OH)			
Access to OH	237	.316	.789
Access to sick pay in addition to SSP at Wave One (Reference category: No access to additional sick pay)			
Access to additional sick pay	.715*	.322	2.043
Current mental health (Reference category: Fair or poor)			
Good	.671	.398	1.957
Changeable	106	.438	.900
Current physical health (Reference category: Changeable)			
Good	1.007*	.432	2.738
Fair or poor	.402	.396	1.495
Change in health since referral to Fit for Work (Reference category: Same or worse)			
Better	.970*	.442	2.638
Change in health since Wave One interview (Reference category: Same or worse)			
Better	.857*	.419	2.356
Receipt of subsequent support from sources other than Fit for Work (Reference category: Received other support)			
Did not receive other support	.842*	.340	2.321
Agreement on ability of Fit for Work to manage health condition (Reference category: Neutral and disagree)			
Agree	.194	.339	1.214
Overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (Reference category: Neutral and dissatisfied)			
Satisfied	.248	.371	1.281
Constant	-3.577*	.943	.028
R^2	0.39		

^{*} p < 0.05, ** p < 0.01

Base: N=396

TA Table 7.72 Is this employee now back at work? By size (Weighted data)

Categories		han 50 oyees	50-2 emplo		_	0+ oyees	Д	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Yes employee has returned to work	60	48	80	55	120	55	270	53
No employee has not returned yet	20	12	20	11	40	20	80	15
No employee has left their job	50	36	50	33	50	22	150	29
Don't know/unsure	10	5	0	1	10	3	10	3
Total	130	100	150	100	210	100	500	100

Base: All respondents who used the service and reported size (N=490). All respondents who used the service (N=501). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

TA Table 7.73 Is this employee now back at work? By whether have an occupational health service (Weighted data)

Categories	Has OH service		No OH	No OH service		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Yes employee has returned to work	140	59	124	47	265	53	
No employee has not returned yet	36	15	41	16	77	15	
No employee has left their job	57	24	89	34	146	29	
Don't know/unsure	6	3	8	3	14	3	
Total	239	100	262	100	501	100	

Base: All respondents who used the service (N=501). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

7.1.3 Increasing hours worked

TA Table 7.74 Fit for Work helped respondent increase hours worked (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
Categories	IN	/0
Agree	134	43
Neutral and disagree	179	57
Total	312	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work (N=313). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.75 Fit for Work helped respondent increase hours worked, by access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Access to OH		No access to OH		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	73	52	105	63	179	57
Agree	68	48	61	37	133	43
Total	141	100	166	100	312	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work and access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave One (N=307). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work (N=313). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.76 Fit for Work helped respondent increase hours worked, by access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Access to OH		No access to OH		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	78	51	89	64	179	57
Agree	74	49	51	36	133	43
Total	152	100	140	100	312	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work and access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave Two (N=299). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work (N=313). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.77 Fit for Work helped respondent increase hours worked, by occupation at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	_	ers and sionals	trade	skilled s and ers	proces eleme	les, ss and entary ations	Д	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	61	63	66	67	51	44	179	57
Agree	36	37	33	33	64	56	133	43
Total	97*	100	99*	100	115	100	311	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work and occupation (N=313). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work (N=313). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.78 Fit for Work helped respondent increase hours worked, by sector at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	manufa constr transp	ergy, cturing, uction, ort and stics	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other		Health, care and charity		and public		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	29	50	67	49	57	77	25	60	179	57
Agree	29	50	69	51	17	23	17	41	133	43
Total	58*	100	136	100	74*	100	42*	100	311	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work and sector at Wave Two (N=313). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work (N=313). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.79 Fit for Work helped respondent increase hours worked, by change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	А	All			
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	124	52	51	75	179	57
Agree	115	48	17	25	133	43
Total	239	100	68*	100	311	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work and change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=310). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work (N=313). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.80 Fit for Work helped respondent increase hours worked, by change in physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	tter		me orse	А	AII
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	124	52	54	76	179	57
Agree	116	48	17	23	133	43
Total	240	100	71*	100	311	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work and change in physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (N=311). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work (N=313). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.81 Fit for Work helped respondent increase hours worked, by age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	Under 35		35-54		55+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral and disagree	36	44	100	60	43	69	179	57	
Agree	46	56	68	40	19	31	133	43	
Total	82*	100	168	100	62*	100	311	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work and age (N=313). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work (N=313). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.82 Fit for Work helped respondent increase hours worked, by change in employer between Wave One and Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Same employer		Different	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	131	62	45	47	179	57
Agree	82	38	50	53	133	43
Total	213	100	95*	100	311	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work and change in employer between Wave One and Wave Two (N=309). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on increasing hours able to work (N=313). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.83 Barriers to returning to work (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included	
Categories	%
Ongoing or worsening health condition	73
New health condition(s)	6
Dissatisfied with job/job opportunities	6
Caring responsibilities	4
Fear that cannot cope with physical/mental demands of work	3
Work-related stress	2
Retired	2
Lack of skills/qualifications	1
Been made redundant	0
Poor relationship with employer	0
Other	17
Nothing	10
Base	170

Base: All respondents not currently working (N=170). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.84 Support that would help respondents return to work (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included	
Categories	%
More time for recovery	24
Treatment or further treatment for your condition	21
The attitude/level of support from your employer	20
Finding a new job	9
Require employer to implement RtWP	8
Changed duties	6
An improvement in my condition	6
Phased return to work	6
Changed hours of work	6
Provision of workplace adjustments	2
Moving to a different job with the same employer	2
Regular meetings or updates with your employer	1
Changed pattern of work	1
Nothing	7
Base	54*

Base: All respondents not currently working (N=54). Unweighted.

7.1.4 Working more productively

TA Table 7.85 Fit for Work helped respondent work more productively (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
Agree	148	46
Neutral and disagree	171	54
Total	319	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on more productive working (N=321). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.86 Fit for Work helped respondent work more productively, by access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Additional sick pay		No additional sick pay		А	AII
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	121	59	48	44	171	54
Agree	84	41	60	56	148	47
Total	205	100	108	100	319	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on more productive working and access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave One (N=314). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on more productive working (N=321). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.87 Fit for Work helped respondent work more productively, by occupation at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Managers and professionals		Admin, skilled trades and carers		Sales, process and elementary occupations		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	60	59	62	61	49	42	171	54
Agree	41	41	40	39	68	58	148	47
Total	101	100	102	100	117	100	319	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on more productive working and occupation (N=321). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on more productive working (N=321). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.88 Fit for Work helped respondent work more productively, by sector at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	manufa constr transp	ergy, acturing, uction, ort and stics	leisure, busi servic	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other		alth, and arity	Public administration and public services		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	38	47	46	45	49	63	38	66	171	54
Agree	43	53	56	55	29	37	20	35	148	47
Total	81*	100	102	100	78*	100	58*	100	319	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on more productive working and sector at Wave One (N=321). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on more productive working (N=321). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.89 Fit for Work helped respondent work more productively, by current physical health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Good		Fair o	Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral and disagree	93	50	44	51	33	72	171	54	
Agree	92	50	43	49	13	28	148	47	
Total	185	100	87*	100	46*	100	319	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on more productive working and current physical health at Wave Two (N=319). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on more productive working (N=321). Unweighted.

7.1.5 Developing better relationships at work

TA Table 7.90 Fit for Work helped respondent have better relationships at work (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
Agree	136	43
Neutral and disagree	177	54
Total	313	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work (N=315). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.91 Fit for Work helped respondent have better relationships at work, by gender (Weighted data)

Categories	Male		Fen	nale	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	66	48	111	63	177	57
Agree	72	52	64	37	137	43
Total	138	100	175	100	314	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work and gender (N=315). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work (N=315). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.92 Fit for Work helped respondent have better relationships at work, by size of employer at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Less than 50 employees		50-249 employees		250+ employees		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	51	57	50	47	64	67	177	57
Agree	38	43	57	53	31	33	137	43
Total	89*	100	107	100	95*	100	314	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work and size of employer at Wave Two (N=291). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work (N=315). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.93 Fit for Work helped respondent have better relationships at work, by access to occupational health at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Access to OH		No ac		All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral and disagree	69	49	107	64	177	57	
Agree	72	51	61	36	137	43	
Total	141	100	168	100	314	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work and access to occupational health at Wave One (N=310). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work (N=315). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.94 Fit for Work helped respondent have better relationships at work, by occupation at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Managers and professionals		Admin, skilled trades and carers		Sales, process and elementary occupations		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	59	60	67	66	51	45	177	57
Agree	39	40	34	34	63	55	137	43
Total	98*	100	101	100	114	100	314	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work and occupation (N=315). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work (N=315). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.95 Fit for Work helped respondent have better relationships at work, by sector at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	manufa constr transp	•	leisure, busi servic	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other		alth, and arity	Public administration and public services		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	38	48	46	46	59	78	34	60	177	57
Agree	42	53	55	54	17	22	23	40	137	43
Total	80*	100	101	100	76*	100	57*	100	314	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work and sector at Wave One (N=315). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work (N=315). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.96 Fit for Work helped respondent have better relationships at work, by sector at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Ene manufa constru transpo logis	cturing, uction, ort and	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other		Health, care and charity		Public administration and public services		All	
		Col		Col		Col		Col		Col
	Ν	%	Ν	%	Ν	%	Ν	%	N	%
Neutral and	28	48	65	47	59	77	26	62	177	57
disagree										
Agree	30	52	72	53	18	22	16	38	137	43
Total	58*	100	137	100	77*	100	42*	100	314	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work and sector at Wave Two (N=315). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work (N=315). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.97 Fit for Work helped respondent have better relationships at work, by change in physical and mental health since time of referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Better			me orse	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	127	52	47	71	177	57
Agree	117	48	19	29	137	43
Total	244	100	66*	100	314	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work and change in physical and mental health since time of referral to Fit for Work (N=312). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work (N=315). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.98 Fit for Work helped respondent have better relationships at work, by change in physical and mental health interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	5			me orse	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	128	53	48	69	177	57
Agree	114	47	22	31	137	43
Total	242	100	70*	100	314	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work and change in physical and mental health interview at Wave One (N=313). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on relationships at work (N=315). Unweighted.

7.2 Retention in employment

TA Table 7.99 Fit for Work helped respondent to remain in employment (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
Agree	185	58
Neutral and disagree	132	42
Total	317	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on ability to remain in employment (N=320). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.100 Fit for Work helped respondent to remain in employment, by sector at Wave One (Weighted data)

	Ene manufa constru transpo	cturing, uction, ort and	leisure, busi servic	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other		alth, e and	Public administration and public		All	
Categories	logis	stics	ot	her	cha	arity	serv	rices	А	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	29	36	34	33	41	52	29	53	133	42
Agree	52	64	68	67	38	48	26	47	185	58
Total	81*	100	102	100	79*	100	55*	100	317	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on ability to remain in employment and sector at Wave One (N=315). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on ability to remain in employment (N=320). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.101 Fit for Work helped respondent to remain in employment, by change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	tter		me orse	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral and disagree	89	36	41	60	133	42	
Agree	157	64	27	40	185	58	
Total	246	100	68*	100	317	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on ability to remain in employment and change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=317). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on ability to remain in employment (N=320). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.102 Fit for Work helped respondent to remain in employment, by change in current physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Better			me orse	All	
	Col N %		N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	91	37	40	56	133	42
Agree	152	63	32	44	185	58
Total	243	100	72*	100	317	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on ability to remain in employment and change in current physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (N=318). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on ability to remain in employment (N=320). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.103 Fit for Work helped respondent to remain in employment, by change in employer since Wave One interview (Weighted data)

Categories	Same employer			erent loyer	All	
	Col N %		N	Col N %		Col %
Neutral and disagree	79	36	50	53	133	42
Agree	140	64	44	47	185	58
Total	219	100	94*	100	317	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on ability to remain in employment and change in employer since Wave One interview (N=316). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on ability to remain in employment (N=320). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

7.3 Claiming welfare benefits

TA Table 7.104 Receipt of welfare benefits, by employment status at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Currently in work			rrently ork	All	
	Col N %		N	Col %	N	Col %
Not claiming benefits	310	97	87	51	397	81
Claiming benefits	10	3	85	49	95	19
Total	320	100	172	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims and employment status at Wave Two (N=492). All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.105 Receipt of welfare benefits, by access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Additional sick pay			No additional sick pay		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Not claiming benefits	246	86	141	73	397	81	
Claiming benefits	40	14	51	27	95	19	
Total	286	100	192	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims and access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave One (N=478). All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.106 Receipt of welfare benefits, by access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Additional sick pay			ditional pay	All		
	N	Col N %		Col %	N	Col %	
Not claiming benefits	206	98	110	81	397	81	
Claiming benefits	5	2	25	19	95	19	
Total	211	100	135	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims and access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave Two (N=303). All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.107 Receipt of welfare benefits, by occupation at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Managers and professionals		Admin, skilled trades and carers		Sales, process and elementary occupations		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Not claiming benefits	114	90	136	78	148	77	397	81
Claiming benefits	12	10	38	22	44	23	95	19
Total	126	100	174	100	192	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims and occupation (N=492). All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.108 Receipt of welfare benefits, by current mental health (Weighted data)

Categories	Good		Fair o	Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Not claiming benefits	266	91	71	68	60	66	397	81	
Claiming benefits	27	9	33	32	31	34	95	19	
Total	293	100	104	100	91*	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims and current mental health (N=488). All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.109 Receipt of welfare benefits, by current physical health (Weighted data)

Categories	Good		Fair o	Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Not claiming benefits	209	93	122	69	62	72	397	81	
Claiming benefits	15	7	56	31	24	28	95	19	
Total	224	100	178	100	86*	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims and current physical health (N=489). All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.110 Receipt of welfare benefits, by change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Better			me orse	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Not claiming benefits	274	90	117	65	397	81
Claiming benefits	32	10	63	35	95	19
Total	306	100	180	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims and change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=487). All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims (N=492). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.111 Receipt of welfare benefits, by change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Better		Sa or w	me orse	All	
	Col N %		N	Col %	N	Col %
Not claiming benefits	277	70	116	30	397	81
Claiming benefits	29	31	66	69	95	19
Total	306	100	182	100	492	100

Base: All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims and change in physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (N=488). All respondents reporting welfare benefit claims (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.112 Receipt of welfare benefits (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included	
Categories	%
Not claiming benefits	81
Personal Independence Payment (PIP)	7
Employment and Support Allowance (Unsure)	7
Employment and Support Allowance (Support Group)	3
Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)	2
Employment and Support Allowance (Work Related Activity Group)	2
Claiming but unsure which benefits	1
Disability Living Allowance (DLA)	1
Universal Credit (UC)	0
Income Support	0
Base	492

Base: All respondents reporting claim for welfare benefits (N=492). Unweighted. Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

7.4 Health and well-being

7.4.1 Health and well-being two months after discharge

TA Table 7.113 How would you describe your health and well-being now compared to when you were referred to the service? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Unde	Under 35		35-54		5+	А	II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Much better	94	36	204	38	96	39	397	38
Somewhat better	80	31	158	30	56	23	295	28
About the same	53	20	105	20	64	26	224	21
Somewhat worse	18	7	40	8	21	8	79	8
Much worse	11	4	18	3	10	4	38	4
Don't know	4	2	6	1	3	1	12	1
Total	259	100	531	100	250	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents giving age (N=1,035). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

7.4.2 Health and well-being eight - ten months after discharge

TA Table 7.114 Fit for Work helped respondent to manage health condition, by employment status at Wave Two interview (Weighted data)

Categories	Currently in work		Not cu in w	rrently ork	All		
	Col N %		N	Col N %		Col %	
Neutral and disagree	118	37	100	60	219	45	
Agree	201	63	68	40	268	55	
Total	319	100	168 100		487	100	

Base: All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition and employment status at Wave Two (N=486). All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition (N=486). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.115 Fit for Work helped respondent to manage health condition, by access to occupational health at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Access to OH			ccess OH	All		
	Col N %		N	Col N %		Col %	
Neutral and disagree	85	40	131	51	219	45	
Agree	130	60	126	49	268	55	
Total	215	100	257	100	487	100	

Base: All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition and access to occupational health at Wave One (N=472). All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition (N=486). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.116 Fit for Work helped respondent to manage health condition, by access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Additional sick pay			ditional pay	All		
	N	Col N %		Col N %		Col %	
Neutral and disagree	74	35	62	47	219	45	
Agree	137	65	70	53	268	55	
Total	211	100	132	100	487	100	

Base: All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition and access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave Two (N=344). All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition (N=486). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.117 Fit for Work helped respondent to manage health condition, by sector at Wave One (Weighted data)

Outenaine	Ene manufa constru transpo	cturing, uction, ort and	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other		Health, care and charity		Public administration d and public services		All	
Categories	logis	stics	ot	her	cha	arity	ser	/ices	А	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
		Col		Col		Col		Col		Col
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Neutral and disagree	44	36	64	41	64	54	46	53	219	45
Agree	79	64	93	59	55	46	41	47	268	55
Total	123	100	157	100	119	100	87*	100	487	100

Base: All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition and sector at Wave One (N=486). All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition (N=486). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.118 Fit for Work helped respondent to manage health condition, by sector at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Ene manufa constr transpo	cturing, uction,	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other		care	Pub Health, adminis care and and p charity servi		stration oublic	А	.II
	- 3	Col		Col		Col		Col		Col
	Ν	%	Ν	%	Ν	%	Ν	%	N	%
Neutral and disagree	12	20	50	36	36	46	21	[50]	219	45
Agree	48	80	89	64	43	54	21	[50]	268	55
Total	60*	100	139	100	79*	100	42*	100	487	100

Base: All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition and sector at Wave Two (N=320). All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition (N=486). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.119 Fit for Work helped respondent to manage health condition, by current mental health (Weighted data)

Categories	Good		Fair o	Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral and disagree	106	36	64	63	46	51	219	45	
Agree	185	64	38	37	44	49	268	55	
Total	291	100	102	100	90*	100	487	100	

Base: All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition and current mental health (N=482). All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition (N=486). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.120 Fit for Work helped respondent to manage health condition, by current physical health (Weighted data)

Categories	Good		Fair o	Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral and disagree	81	36	88	50	49	58	219	45	
Agree	143	64	87	50	36	42	268	55	
Total	224	100	175	100	85*	100	487	100	

Base: All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition and current physical health (N=483). All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition (N=486). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.121 Fit for Work helped respondent to manage health condition, by change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	tter		me orse	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col N %		Col %	
Neutral and disagree	99	32	114	65	219	45	
Agree	207	68	61	35	268	55	
Total	306	100	175	100	487	100	

Base: All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition and change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=481). All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition (N=486). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.122 Fit for Work helped respondent to manage health condition, by change in current physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	tter		me orse	All		
	Col N %		N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral and disagree	104	34	113	63	219	45	
Agree	202	66	66	37	268	55	
Total	306 100		179 100		487	100	

Base: All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition and current physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (N=483). All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition (N=486). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.123 Fit for Work helped respondent to manage health condition, by health condition (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental health		M	MSK		ner	All		
		Col		Col		Col		Col	
	Ν	%	Ν	%	Ν	%	N	%	
Neutral and disagree	59	37	81	45	74	53	219	45	
Agree	102	63	100	55	66	47	268	55	
Total	161	100	181	100	140	100	487	100	

Base: All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition and reporting health condition (N=481). All respondents reporting influence on ability to manage health condition (N=486). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

Respondents were asked a series of questions in the longitudinal survey to ascertain their self-reported mental and physical change, as well as how they felt this had changed over time.

TA Table 7.124 Current general mental health (Weighted data)

		Col
Categories	Ν	%
Very good	148	30
Good	144	30
Fair	61	13
Bad	26	5
Very bad	16	3
Changeable	92	19
Total	487	100

Base: All respondents reporting current mental health (N=488). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.125 Current general physical health (Weighted data)

Catagorias	N	Col %
Categories		
Very good	63	13
Good	161	33
Fair	111	23
Bad	41	8
Very bad	26	5
Changeable	86	18
Total	488	100

Base: All respondents reporting current physical health (N=489). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.126 Change in physical and mental health since time of referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
Much better	211	43
Somewhat better	95	20
About the same	111	23
Somewhat worse	39	8
Much worse	31	6
Total	487	100

Base: All respondents reporting change in physical and mental health since time of referral to Fit for Work (N=487). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.127 Change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	N	Col %
Much better	186	38
Somewhat better	119	24
About the same	112	23
Somewhat worse	42	9
Much worse	28	6
Total	487	100

Base: All respondents reporting change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (N=487). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.128 Change in physical and mental health since time of referral to Fit for Work, by current mental health (Weighted data)

Fair or								
Categories	Go	od	pc	poor Change		geable	ole All	
		Col		Col		Col		Col
	N	%	Ν	%	N	%	N	%
Better	213	74	45	44	48	53	306	63
Same or worse	76	26	58	56	43	47	180	37
Total	289	100	103	100	91*	100	486	100

Base: All respondents reporting change in physical and mental health since time of referral to Fit for Work and current mental health (N=483). All respondents reporting change in physical and mental health since time of referral to Fit for Work (N=487). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.129 Change in physical and mental health since time of referral to Fit for Work, by current physical health (Weighted data)

Fair or								
Categories	Go	od	pc	or	Chang	geable	Д	All .
		Col		Col		Col		Col
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Better	174	78	82	47	47	55	306	63
Same or worse	48	22	93	53	39	45	180	37
Total	222	100	175	100	86*	100	486	100

Base: All respondents reporting change in physical and mental health since time of referral to Fit for Work and current physical health (N=484). All respondents reporting change in physical and mental health since time of referral to Fit for Work (N=487). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.130 Change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One, by current mental health (Weighted data)

	Fair or							
Categories	Go	od	рс	or	Chan	geable	Д	All .
		Col		Col		Col		Col
	N	%	Ν	%	Ν	%	N	%
Better	216	74	45	43	45	49	306	63
Same or worse	74	26	59	57	46	51	180	37
Total	290	100	104	100	91*	100	486	100

Base: All respondents reporting change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One and current mental health and change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (N=483). All respondents reporting change in physical and mental health since time of referral to Fit for Work (N=487). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.131 Change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One, by current physical health (Weighted data)

Categories	Go	Fair or Good poor			Chang	geable	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Better	173	77	80	46	49	57	306	63
Same or worse	51	23	94	54	37	43	180	37
Total	224	100	174	100	86*	100	486	100

Base: All respondents reporting change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One and current physical health and change in physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (N=484). All respondents reporting change in physical and mental health since time of referral to Fit for Work (N=487). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.132 Self-reported work ability on a scale from 0 (worst) to 10 (best) (Weighted data)

		Col
Categories	N	%
0	38	8
1	12	2
2	17	4
3	21	5
4	29	6
5	27	6
6	16	3
7	44	9
8	97	20
9	58	12
10	114	24

Base: All respondents reporting self-report work ability (N=472). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.133 Improvement in health since referral to Fit for Work (logistic regression)

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Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Gender (Reference category: Male)			
Female	.364	.424	1.439
Ethnicity (Reference category: White)			
BME	.066	.617	1.068
Age (Reference category: 55+)			
Under 35	.685	.567	1.983
35 to 54	.510	.493	1.666
Primary health condition (Reference category: MSK)**			
Mental health	2.343**	.534	10.410
Other	.704	.467	2.021
Caring – pre-16 (Reference category: Caring responsibilities)			
No caring responsibilities	572	.513	.564
Caring – post-16 (Reference category: No Caring responsibilities)			
Caring responsibilities	572	.513	.564
Region (Reference category: England and Wales)			
Scotland	394	.631	.674
Referral route (Reference category: Employer)			
GP	-1.100*	.473	.333
Occupation at Wave One (Reference category: Sales, process and elementary occupations)			
Managers and professionals	.300	.599	1.349
Admin, skilled trades and carers	.492	.542	1.635
Sector – Wave One (Reference category: Energy, manufacturing, construction, logistics)			
Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other	.378	.514	1.459
Health, care and charity	.369	.648	1.446
Public administration and public services	101	.673	.904

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Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Employer size (Reference category: Fewer than 50 employees)			
50 - 249 employees	.104	.481	1.110
250+ employees	191	.514	.826
Access to occupational health at Wave One (Reference category: No access to OH)			
Access to OH	308	.406	.735
Access to sick pay in addition to SSP at Wave One (Reference category: No access to additional sick pay)			
Access to additional sick pay	.710	.420	2.035
Current mental health (Reference category: Fair or poor)			
Good	.447	.545	1.564
Changeable	099	.617	.906
Current physical health (Reference category: Fair or poor)			
Good	1.014*	.472	2.755
Changeable	.539	.526	1.714
Change in health since Wave One interview (Reference category: Same or worse)			
Better	4.382**	.456	79.987
Receipt of subsequent support from sources other than Fit for Work (Reference category: Received other support)			
Did not receive other support	907	.474	.404
Agreement on ability of Fit for Work to manage health condition (Reference category: Agree)			
Neutral and disagree	-1.368**	.435	.761
Overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (Reference category: Satisfied)			
Neutral and dissatisfied	274	1.100	.255
Constant	-1.368	.435	.041
R^2	0.75		

^{*} p < 0.05, ** p < 0.01

Base: N=397

TA Table 7.134 Improvement in health since Wave One interview (logistic regression)

Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Gender (Reference category: Male)			
Female	195	.439	.822
Ethnicity (Reference category: White)			
BME	.789	.591	2.201
Age (Reference category: 55+)			
Under 35	687	.591	.503
35 to 54	.054	.515	1.056
Primary health condition (Reference category: Other)			
Mental health	283	.579	.754
MSK	.142	.502	1.153
Caring – pre-16 (Reference category: Caring responsibilities)			
No caring responsibilities	199	.485	.820
Caring – post-16 (Reference category: No caring responsibilities)			
Caring responsibilities	1.274*	.544	3.574
Region (Reference category: Scotland)			
England and Wales	.296	.617	1.344
Referral route (Reference category: Employer)			
GP	.518	.457	1.679
Occupation at Wave One (Reference category: Sales, process and elementary occupations)			
Managers and professionals	.702	.592	2.017
Admin, skilled trades and carers	.007	.538	1.007
Sector – Wave One (Reference category: Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other)			
Energy, manufacturing, construction, logistics	006	.524	.994
Health, care and charity	208	.637	.812
Public administration and public services	.378	.683	1.459
Employer size (Reference category: Fewer than 50 employees)			

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50 - 249 employees	Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Access to occupational health at Wave One (Reference category: No access to OH) Access to Sick pay in addition to SSP at Wave One (Reference category: No access to additional sick pay) Access to additional sick pay Acces to additional scales pay Acces to additional scales pay Acces to additional scales pay Acces access to additional	50 – 249 employees	.496	.494	1.642
Reference category: No access to OH Access to OH	250+ employees	.791	.511	2.205
Access to sick pay in addition to SSP at Wave One (Reference category: No access to additional sick pay) Access to additional sick pay 636 636 .440 .529 Current mental health (Reference category: Fair or poor)* Good 1.183* .540 3.263 Changeable .508 .644 1.663 Current physical health (Reference category: Fair or poor) Good 9.36** .472 2.549 Changeable .168 .559 1.183 Change in health since referral to Fit for Work (Reference category: Same or worse) Better 4.987** .515 146.473 Receipt of subsequent support from sources other than Fit for Work (Reference category: Received other support) Did not receive other support Agreement on ability of Fit for Work to manage health condition (Reference category: Agree) Neutral and disagree 0.017 1.117 Overall satisfaction with Fit for Work (Reference category: Satisfied) Neutral and dissatisfied 1.111 1.334 1.017 Constant 1.334 0.024	_			
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Constant -3.734** 1.334 .024				
	Neutral and dissatisfied	.111	1.334	1.017
	Constant	-3.734**	1.334	.024
R^2 0.75	R^2	0.75		

^{*} p < 0.05, ** p < 0.01

Base: N=397

7.5 Further sickness absence

7.5.1 Further absence after two months

TA Table 7.135 Have you been off sick again since you returned to work? By age (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included									
	Under								
Categories	35	35-54	55+	All					
	%	%	%	%					
Yes, been off for the same reason	16	4	6	8					
Yes, been off for another reason	5	5	6	5					
No, not been off sick since returned to work	80	90	89	87					
Don't know	0	1	0	0					
Base	147	342	183	676					

Base: All back at work and reporting age (N=672). All back at work (N=676).

Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 7.136 Have you been off sick again since you returned to work? By health condition (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included									
Categories	Mental Health	MSK	Other	All					
	%	%	%	%					
Yes, been off for the same reason	7	4	13	8					
Yes, been off for another reason	4	4	6	5					
No, not been off sick since returned to work	90	91	80	87					
Don't know	0	1	1	0					
Base	232	246	191	676					

Base: All back at work and reporting health condition (N=669). All back at work

(N=676). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.137 Additional periods of sickness absence (logistic regression)

Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Gender (Reference category: Male)			
Female	-0.010	0.312	0.990
Level of choice in referral (Reference category: Had no choice in referral)			
Had choice in referral	-0.426	0.341	0.653
Length of sickness absence before Fit for Work referral (Reference category: 3 months or more)			
Less than 1 month	0.517	0.426	1.677
1-2 months	0.098	0.310	1.103
Referral route (Reference category: GP)			
Employer	0.028	0.346	1.028
Age (Reference category: 35-54)			
Under 35	0.728*	0.329	2.072
55+	0.052	0.379	1.053
Ethnicity (Reference category: White)			
All non-white	0.243	0.388	1.275
Caring responsibilities (Reference category: No caring responsibilities)			
Caring responsibilities	-0.426	0.295	0.653
Region (Reference category: Scotland)			
England and Wales	0.384	0.578	1.469
Access to occupational health (Reference category: Yes)			
No	0.736*	0.301	2.088
Primary health condition (Reference category: Other health condition)			
Mental health	-0.778*	-0.778	0.459
MSK	-0.970**	-0.970	0.379
Sickness absence wages (Reference category: Yes)			
No	0.408	0.294	1.504
Job satisfaction (Reference category: Satisfied)			
Not satisfied	0.286	0.325	1.331

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Model 1 independent variables	В	Standard Error	Odds Ratio
Interaction between work and health condition (Reference category: Condition caused by or made worse by work)			
Caused neither by or made worse by work	-0.052	0.325	0.949
Perceived helpfulness of Fit for Work (Reference category: Neutral and dissatisfied)			
Satisfied	0.184	0.317	1.202
Current health (Reference category: Improved)			
Same or worse	0.731*	0.399	2.076
Type of job (Reference category: Different type of job)			
Same type of job	-0.222	0.452	0.801
Same/different employer (Reference category: A different employer)			
The same employer	0.621	0.560	1.860
Occupation (Reference category: Managers and professionals)			
Admin, skilled trades and carers	0.288	0.368	1.334
Sales, process and elementary occupations	0.109	0.386	1.115
Sector (Reference category: Public administration and public services)			
Energy, manufacturing, construction, logistics	0.186	0.444	1.205
Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other	0.045	0.439	1.046
Health, care and charity	0.220	0.456	1.247
Constant	-3.367	0.998	0.034
R ²	0.144		

^{*} p < 0.05, ** p < 0.01

Base: N=484.

7.5.2 Further absence eight - ten months after discharge

TA Table 7.138 Continuity of sickness absence for respondents not currently in work, by current mental health (Weighted data)

Categories	Go	ood	Fair o	r poor		geable time	A	All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Continually absent	37	58	43	77	36	77	118	69
Went back to work	27	42	13	23	11	23	55	31
Total	64*	100	56*	100	47*	100	171	100

Base: All respondents not currently in work reporting continuity of sickness absence and current mental health (N=166). All respondents not currently in work reporting continuity of sickness absence (N=169). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.139 Continuity of sickness absence for respondents not currently in work, by change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	tter		me orse	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Continually absent	34	57	84	77	118	69	
Went back to work	26	43	25	23	55	31	
Total	60*	100	109	100	171	100	

Base: All respondents not currently in work reporting continuity of sickness absence and current physical health (N=168). All respondents not currently in work reporting continuity of sickness absence (N=169). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.140 Continuity of sickness absence for respondents not currently in work, by change in physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	Better		me orse	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Continually absent	37	60	82	76	118	69	
Went back to work	25	40	26	24	55	31	
Total	62*	100	108	100	171	100	

Base: All respondents not currently in work reporting continuity of sickness absence and change in physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (N=167). All respondents not currently in work reporting continuity of sickness absence (N=169). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.141 Fit for Work helped respondent reduce number of sickness absence days after returning to work (Weighted data)

		Col
Categories	Ν	%
Agree	165	52
Neutral and disagree	150	48
Total	315	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on number of sickness absence days after returning to work (N=317). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.142 Fit for Work helped respondent reduce number of sickness absence days after returning to work, by access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Additional sick pay		No add	ditional pay	All		
	N	Col N %		Col N %		Col %	
Neutral and disagree	106	52	41	39	165	52	
Agree	96	48	64	61	150	48	
Total	202	100	105	100	315	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on number of sickness absence days after returning to work and access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave One (N=309). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on number of sickness absence days after returning to work (N=317). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.143 Fit for Work helped respondent reduce number of sickness absence days after returning to work, by occupation at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Managers and professionals		Admin, skilled trades and carers		Sales, process and elementary occupations		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	56	56	53	53	40	35	165	52
Agree	44	44	47	47	74	65	150	48
Total	100	100	100	100	114	100	315	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on number of sickness absence days after returning to work and occupation (N=317). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on number of sickness absence days after returning to work (N=317). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.144 Fit for Work helped respondent reduce number of sickness absence days after returning to work, by sector at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories		cturing,	leisure, business	ospitality, creative, s services other	care	alth, and arity	admini and	blic stration oublic vices	А	.ll
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	31	38	39	39	45	58	34	60	165	52
Agree	51	62	60	61	32	42	23	40	150	48
Total	82*	100	99*	100	77*	100	57*	100	315	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on number of sickness absence days after returning to work and sector at Wave One (N=317). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on number of sickness absence days after returning to work (N=317). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.145 Fit for Work helped respondent reduce number of sickness absence days after returning to work, by sector at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	manufa constr transpo	•	leisure, busi servic	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other		Public Health, administration care and and public charity services			All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	21	36	60	44	44	56	25	61	165	52
Agree	38	64	76	56	35	44	16	39	150	48
Total	59*	100	136	100	79*	100	41*	100	315	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on number of sickness absence days after returning to work and sector at Wave Two (N=317). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on number of sickness absence days after returning to work (N=317). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.146 Fit for Work helped respondent reduce number of sickness absence days after returning to work, by change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Better			me orse	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	103	43	43	63	165	52
Agree	139	57	25	37	150	48
Total	242	100	68*	100	315	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on number of sickness absence days after returning to work and change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=314). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on number of sickness absence days after returning to work (N=317). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.147 Fit for Work helped respondent reduce number of sickness absence days after returning to work, by change in current physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Better			me orse	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral and disagree	106	44	42	59	165	52	
Agree	135	56	29	41	150	48	
Total	241	100	71*	100	315	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on number of sickness absence days after returning to work and change in current physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (N=315). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on number of sickness absence days after returning to work (N=317). Unweighted.

7.5.3 Likelihood of future sickness absence

TA Table 7.148 Fit for Work reduced the likelihood of future long-term sickness absence, by access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Additional sick pay			ditional pay	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral and disagree	102	51	58	64	167	54	
Agree	99	49	33	36	143	46	
Total	201	100	91*	100	309	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on future long-term sickness absence and access to additional sick pay over SSP at Wave Two (N=294). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on future long-term sickness absence (N=310). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.149 Fit for Work reduced the likelihood of future long-term sickness absence, by occupation at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Managers and professionals		Admin, skilled trades and carers		aı eleme	process nd entary eations	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	54	56	63	63	50	45	167	54
Agree	43	44	37	37	62	55	143	46
Total	97*	100	100	100	112	100	309	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on future long-term sickness absence and occupation (N=310). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on future long-term sickness absence (N=310). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.150 Fit for Work reduced the likelihood of future long-term sickness absence, by size of employer at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Less than 50 employees			50-249 employees		250+ employees		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral and disagree	54	61	48	45	56	60	167	54	
Agree	35	39	59	55	37	40	143	46	
Total	89*	100	107	100	93*	100	309	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on future long-term sickness absence and size of employer at Wave Two (N=289). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on future long-term sickness absence (N=310). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.151 Fit for Work reduced the likelihood of future long-term sickness absence, by current physical health (Weighted data)

Categories	Good		Fair o	Fair or poor		Changeable over time		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral and disagree	83	46	51	61	30	68	167	54	
Agree	97	54	32	39	14	32	143	46	
Total	180	100	83*	100	44	100	309	100	

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on future long-term sickness absence and current physical health (N=308). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on future long-term sickness absence (N=310). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.152 Fit for Work reduced the likelihood of future long-term sickness absence, by change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

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			Sa	me		
Categories	Better		or w	orse	All	
		Col		Col		Col
	N	%	Ν	%	N	%
Neutral and disagree	113	47	51	76	167	54
Agree	126	53	16	24	143	46
Total	239	100	67*	100	309	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on future long-term sickness absence and change in current physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=307). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on future long-term sickness absence (N=310). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.153 Fit for Work reduced the likelihood of future long-term sickness absence, by change in current physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Better			me orse	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	115	49	50	70	167	54
Agree	121	51	21	30	143	46
Total	236	100	71*	100	309	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on future long-term sickness absence and change in current physical and mental health since time of interview at Wave One (N=308). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on future long-term sickness absence (N=310). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.154 Fit for Work reduced the likelihood of future long-term sickness absence, by ethnicity (Weighted data)

Categories	White		ВМ	ИE	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral and disagree	138	52	27	69	167	54
Agree	129	48	12	31	143	46
Total	267	100	39*	100	309	100

Base: All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on future long-term sickness absence and ethnicity (N=307). All respondents currently in work at Wave Two reporting influence on future long-term sickness absence (N=310). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

7.6 Satisfaction

7.6.1 Employee satisfaction with the service

TA Table 7.155 Overall satisfaction with Fit for Work, by health condition at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Mental Health		MS	MSK		ner	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Neutral or dissatisfied	22	14	46	24	32	23	106	22
Satisfied with FfW	139	86	143	76	105	77	386	78
Total	161	100	189	100	137	100	492	100

Base: All respondents giving overall satisfaction with the service and health condition (N=492). All respondents giving health condition at Wave One (N=487). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.156 Satisfaction factor: Overall satisfaction, by current mental health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Go	Good		Fair or poor		geable time	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied	49	47	34	32	22	21	106	22	
Satisfied	243	64	70	18	69	18	386	79	
Total	292	100	104	100	91*	100	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction and current mental health at Wave Two (N=488). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.157 Satisfaction factor: Overall satisfaction, by current physical health at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories	Go	Good		Fair or poor		geable time	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied	35	34	46	45	22	21	106	22	
Satisfied	190	49	132	34	64	17	386	79	
Total	225	46	178	36	86*	18	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction and current physical health at Wave Two (N=489). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.158 Satisfaction factor: Overall satisfaction, by change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	tter	Sa or w	me orse	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied	41	15	47	30	88	20	
Satisfied	240	85	110	70	350	80	
Total	106	22	386	79	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction and change in physical and mental health since referral to Fit for Work (N=487). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.159 Satisfaction factor: Overall satisfaction, by change in physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (Weighted data)

Categories	Be	tter		me orse	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Neutral or dissatisfied	44	16	45	29	89	20	
Satisfied	239	84	112	71	351	80	
Total	106	22	386	79	492	100	

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction and change in physical and mental health since interview at Wave One (N=488). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

TA Table 7.160 Satisfaction factor: Overall satisfaction, by sector at Wave Two (Weighted data)

Categories		cturing,	leisure, business	Retail, hospitality, leisure, creative, business services and other		Health, care and charity		care and		blic stration oublic vices	Α	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %			
Neutral or dissatisfied	9	15	19	14	23	29	8	[19]	89	20			
Satisfied	50	85	120	86	57	71	34	[81]	351	80			
Total	59*	100	139	100	80*	100	42*	100	492	100			

Base: All respondents reporting overall satisfaction and sector Wave Two (N=320). All respondents reporting overall satisfaction (N=492). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave Two employee survey.

7.6.2 Employer satisfaction with the service

Ease of use

TA Table 7.161 How satisfied are you that the service was easy to use? By organisation type (Weighted data)

Categories	Private sector		volu	Charity/ voluntary sector		central nment, al body	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Very satisfied	200	57	40	51	40	62	280	57	
Fairly satisfied	120	33	30	33	20	28	160	32	
Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied	10	3	0	1	0	5	20	3	
Fairly dissatisfied	10	4	0	4	0	2	20	3	
Very dissatisfied	10	3	10	11	0	5	20	4	
Total	350	100	80	100	70	100	500	100	

Base: All respondents who used the service and reported organisation type (N=493). All respondents who used the service excluding 'don't know' (N=499). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 7.162 How satisfied are you that the service was easy to use? By whether employer received an RtWP for some/all employees (Weighted data)

Categories		Received an RtWP		receive RtWP	А	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %		
Very satisfied	255	64	29	28	284	57		
Fairly satisfied	117	30	44	42	161	32		
Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied	11	3	5	5	16	3		
Fairly dissatisfied	5	1	12	12	17	3		
Very dissatisfied	8	2	14	13	21	4		
Total	396	100	104	100	499	100		

Base: All respondents who used the service excluding 'don't know' (N=499).

Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

TA Table 7.163 How satisfied are you that the service was easy to use? By whether employee is back at work (Weighted data)

Categories	Employee returned to work		returr	ee not led to ork	A	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %		
Very satisfied	172	66	111	47	284	57		
Fairly satisfied	71	27	90	38	161	32		
Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied	8	3	8	3	16	3		
Fairly dissatisfied	4	2	13	6	17	3		
Very dissatisfied	7	3	14	6	21	4		
Total	262	100	236	100	499	100		

Base: All respondents who used the service excluding 'don't know' (N=499). Unweighted.

Whether recommendations addressed return to work needs

TA Table 7.164 How satisfied are you that the recommendations in the most recent RtWP you received appropriately addressed the return to work needs of your employee? By size (Weighted data)

Categories		Less than 50 employees		249 oyees	25 emplo	0+ oyees	А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very satisfied	29	29	62	57	77	46	172	45
Fairly satisfied	41	41	24	22	66	39	135	35
Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied	10	10	5	5	8	5	23	6
Fairly dissatisfied	6	6	10	9	8	5	25	7
Very dissatisfied	14	14	8	7	10	6	31	8
Total	100	100	109	100	169	100	386	100

Base: All respondents who received an RtWP and reported size (N=378). All respondents who received an RtWP (N=386). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

TA Table 7.165 How satisfied are you that the recommendations in the most recent RtWP you received appropriately addressed the return to work needs of your employee? By whether they have an occupational health service (Weighted data)

Categories	Has OH service		No OH	service	All		
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Very satisfied	92	50	79	39	172	45	
Fairly satisfied	61	33	73	36	135	35	
Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied	13	7	10	5	23	6	
Fairly dissatisfied	7	4	18	9	25	7	
Very dissatisfied	11	6	21	10	31	8	
Total	184	100	201	100	386	100	

Base: All respondents who received an RtWP (N=386). Unweighted.

Whether employers felt able to trust the advice provided

TA Table 7.166 How satisfied are you that you felt able to trust the advice provided by the service? By sector (Weighted data)

Categories	Energy, manufacturing, construction, transport and logistics		leisur	Retail, hospitality, Business leisure and services and creative other		es and		n, care charity	Public administration and public services		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very satisfied	50	42	60	59	20	47	20	47	50	49	210	49
Fairly satisfied	30	26	30	26	10	29	20	36	40	33	120	29
Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied	20	13	10	8	0	3	10	11	10	10	40	10
Fairly dissatisfied	10	8	0	3	10	13	0	6	0	1	20	5
Very dissatisfied	10	11	10	5	0	8	0	0	10	7	30	7
Total	120	100	110	100	40*	100	50*	100	110	100	420	100

Base: All respondents using the service except those stating 'not applicable' that the service supported their employee (N=420). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 7.167 How satisfied are you that you felt able to trust the advice provided by the service? By whether level of long-term sick leave is high (Weighted data)

Categories	•	erm sick is high	•	erm sick not high	А	.II
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Very satisfied	75	54	131	46	205	49
Fairly satisfied	44	32	78	28	121	29
Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied	14	10	29	10	42	10
Fairly dissatisfied	3	2	19	7	22	5
Very dissatisfied	3	2	26	9	29	7
Total	139	100	283	100	420	100

Base: All respondents using the service except those stating 'not applicable' that the service supported their employee (N=420). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

TA Table 7.168 How satisfied are you that you felt able to trust the advice provided by the service? By whether employee is back at work (Weighted data)

Categories	Employee returned to work		returr	Employee not returned to work		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Very satisfied	134	58	71	38	205	49	
Fairly satisfied	70	30	51	27	121	29	
Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied	13	6	30	16	42	10	
Fairly dissatisfied	10	4	12	6	22	5	
Very dissatisfied	6	3	23	12	29	7	
Total	233	100	187	100	420	100	

Base: All respondents using the service except those stating 'not applicable' that the service supported their employee (N=420). Unweighted.

TA Table 7.169 How satisfied are you that you felt able to trust the advice provided by the service? By whether received an RtWP for some/all employees (Weighted data)

Categories	Received an RtWP			Did not receive an RtWP		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	
Very satisfied	191	52	14	27	205	49	
Fairly satisfied	110	30	11	22	121	29	
Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied	31	8	12	24	42	10	
Fairly dissatisfied	18	5	4	8	22	5	
Very dissatisfied	19	5	10	20	29	7	
Total	369	100	51*	100	420	100	

Base: All respondents using the service except those stating 'not applicable' that the service supported their employee (N=420). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

Whether employers would use the service again

TA Table 7.170 Would you use the Fit for Work service in future? By organisation type (Weighted data)

Categories	Private	sector	volui	nrity/ ntary ctor	goverr	central nment, al body	Д	.ll
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Definitely	220	63	40	51	40	60	310	61
Probably	50	13	10	10	10	12	60	13
Possibly	60	16	20	23	10	17	90	17
Or definitely not	20	6	10	14	10	9	40	8
Don't know/ too early to say	0	1	0	1	0	2	10	1
Total	350	100	80*	100	70*	100	500	100

Base: All respondents used the service (N=501). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 7.171 Would you use the Fit for Work service in future? By size (Weighted data)

Categories		han 50 oyees	50- emplo	249 oyees	25 emplo	0+ oyees	Д	VII
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Definitely	70	52	100	66	140	64	310	61
Probably	20	17	20	11	20	11	60	13
Possibly	30	21	20	15	30	15	90	17
Or definitely not	10	10	10	7	20	8	40	8
Don't know/too early to say	0	0	0	1	0	2	10	1
Total	130	100	150	100	210	100	500	100

Base: All respondents used the service and reported size (N=490). All respondents who used the service (N=501). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

TA Table 7.172 Would you use the Fit for Work service in future? By whether employer received an RtWP for some/all employees (Weighted data)

Categories	Received an RtWP		recei	Did not receive an RtWP		All
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Definitely	260	67	40	40	310	61
Probably	50	13	10	13	60	13
Possibly	60	15	30	26	90	17
Or definitely not	20	5	20	19	40	8
Don't know/too early to say	0	1	0	2	10	1
Total	400	100	110	100	500	100

Base: All respondents used the service (N=501). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

TA Table 7.173 Model of willingness to use FfW in the future

		Model 1	
Dep. Variable: Willingness to use FfW again	Log-odds ratio	S. Error	Odds ratio
Easy to use	2.070*	(1.204)	7.9
Address employers' needs	1.479	(1.999)	4.4
Deliverable	-2.162	(2.368)	0.1
Able to trust advice	4.973***	(1.808)	144.5
Size. Reference category: 0-49 employees			
Size: 50-249	1.236	(1.650)	3.4
Size: 250+	3.127	(2.067)	22.8
Sector. Reference category: energy/ manufacturing/construction			
Sector: Retail/hospitality/leisure/creative	-3.849*	(2.289)	0.0
Sector: Business services/Other	-2.440	(2.379)	0.1
Sector: Public admin/care/private health/charity	0.655	(1.774)	1.9
Type. Reference category: For profit firm			
Type: Charity/Social	-0.549	(1.450)	0.6
Type: Public local/central government funded	-4.729**	(2.293)	0.0
Type: Others	-3.888	(3.733)	0.0
Occupational health in firm	-1.336	(1.625)	0.3
Contact with the case manager	-0.920	(1.669)	0.4
Recommendations were helpful	0.683	(2.337)	2.0
Constant	1.663	(2.076)	5.3
N	233		
pseudo R-sq	0.593		
Prob > chi2	0.000		
Standard errors in parentheses * p<0.10 ** p<0.05 *** p<0.01			

8 Added value and suggested improvements

8.1 Added value of the service

No data tables.

8.2 Suggestions for improvement

8.2.1 Employees' suggestions for improvementNo data.

8.2.2 Employers' suggestions for improvement

TA Table 8.1 Are there any improvements you would like to see made to the service? By whether employer received an RtWP for some/all employees (Weighted data)

Categories	Received an RtWP		Not received an RtWP		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Yes - there are improvements	199	51	64	62	263	53
No – there are no improvements	190	49	40	38	230	47
Total	389	100	104	100	493	100

Base: All respondents used the service, with 'don't know' responses excluded (N=493). Unweighted.

TA Table 8.2 Are there any improvements you would like to see made to the service? By whether employee is back at work (Weighted data)

Categories	Employee returned to work		Employee not returned to work		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Yes – there are improvements	126	48	137	59	263	53
No – there are no improvements	135	52	95	41	230	47
Total	261	100	232	100	493	100

Base: All respondents used the service, with 'don't know' responses excluded (N=493). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

TA Table 8.3 What improvements would you like to see? By whether had any contact with a case manager (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included			
Categories	Had contact with case manager	No contact with case manager	All
	%	%	%
More communication between the case managers and employers	42	57	49
Other	33	24	29
Employers to have more input in the process	11	9	10
Advice more tailored to work environment and nature of role	10	12	11
Base	137	125	262

Base: All who have used the service and would like to see improvements (N=262). Unweighted.

TA Table 8.4 What improvements would you like to see? By whether have an occupational health service (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included			
Categories	Access to OH service	No access to OH	All
	%	%	%
More communication between the case managers and employers	46	53	49
Other	28	30	29
Employers to have more input in the process	6	16	11
Advice more tailored to work environment and nature of role	6	14	10
Base	129	132	262

Base: All who have used the service and would like to see improvements (N=262). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

TA Table 8.5 What improvements would you like to see? By whether employer received an RtWP for some/all employees (Weighted data)

Multiple responses allowed			1
Categories	Received an RtWP for some/ all	Not received an RtWP	All
	%	%	%
More communication between the case managers and employers	43	69	49
Other	32	21	29
Employers to have more input in the process	13	0	10
Advice more tailored to work environment and nature of role	11	11	11
Base	199	63*	262

Base: All who have used the service and would like to see improvements (N=262). Unweighted.

TA Table 8.6 What improvements would you like to see? By size (Weighted data)

Multiple responses included				
Categories	Less than 50 employees	50-249 employees	250+ employees	All
	%	%	%	%
More communication between the case managers and employers	46	40	57	49
Other	34	23	31	29
Employers to have more input in the process	20	7	8	11
Advice more tailored to work envi- ronment and nature of role	15	11	7	10
Base	71*	68*	116	262

Base: All who have used the service and would like to see improvements and reported size (N=255). All who have used the service and would like to see improvements (N=262). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation employer survey.

8.2.3 GPs' suggestions for improvement

No data.

9 Fit for Work Advice service

TA Table 9.1 Other than what we have talked about today, are you aware of the separate Fit for Work advice service? By age (Weighted data)

Categories	Under 35		35-54		55+		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Aware of Fit for Work advice service	120	46	240	44	80	34	440	42
Not aware of Fit for Work advice service	140	53	290	55	160	65	590	57
Don't know	0	1	10	1	0	1	10	1
Total	260	100	530	100	250	100	1,050	100

Base: All respondents reporting age (N=1,038). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Notes: Disclosure control has been applied to this table.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 9.2 Other than what we have talked about today, are you aware of the separate Fit for Work advice service? By referral route (Weighted data)

Categories	GP		Employer		All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Aware of Fit for Work advice service	95	36	335	45	440	42
Not aware of Fit for Work advice service	164	62	409	54	593	57
Don't know	4	1	8	1	12	1
Total	263	100	752	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents reporting referral route (N=1,017). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

TA Table 9.3 Other than what we have talked about today, are you aware of the separate Fit for Work advice service? By whether back at work (Weighted data)

Categories	Returned to work			turned vork	All	
	N	Col %	N	Col %	N	Col %
Aware of the Fit for Work advice service	304	45	136	37	440	42
Not aware of the Fit for Work advice service	371	55	223	61	593	57
Don't know	4	1	8	2	12	1
Total	679	100	336	100	1,045	100

Base: All respondents stating whether aware of advice service (N=1,015). All respondents (N=1,045). Unweighted.

Source: Fit for Work evaluation Wave One employee survey.

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IV. SCREENER

Base: all

S01 [S] Do you recall talking to Fit for Work?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

Base: all code 2 at S01 (do not recall talking to Fit for Work)

S02 [S] Fit for Work is an occupational health assessment and advice service and they may have talked to you about your sick leave and what could be done to help you back to work. Do you remember talking to Fit for Work? *Scripter: all code 2 ('No') at S02 screen out.*

- 1. Yes
- 2. No CLOSE

Main Questionnaire

A) Overview of Fit for Work

Base: All

Q01 [M] Who referred you to the service? Code all that apply.

- 1. GP
- 2. Employer
- 3. Don't know

Base: All

Q02 [M] What were your reasons for having contact with the service? *PROBE:* Apart from that, did you have any other reasons for contacting the service? *Code all that apply.*

- Because you were asked to by your GP
- 2. Because you were asked to by your employer

- 3. Looking for support with health conditions
- 4. Looking for support with non-health obstacles preventing you from working
- 5. Looking for support in returning to work
- 6. Looking for help with finding another job/changing career because of your health concerns
- 7. Looking for referrals or signposting to other services because of your health concerns
- 8. Looking for help liaising with employer because of your health concerns
- 9. Other, please specify

Base: All

Q03 [S] Had you heard of the service before your referral? Single code.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know

Base: All

Q04 [S] How well informed did you feel about the service before you had contact with Fit for Work? Would you say you were ... Read out. Single code.

- 1. Very well informed
- 2. Fairly well informed
- 3. Not very well informed
- 4. Not at all well informed
- 5. Don't know/can't remember [DO NOT READ OUT]

Base: All

Q05 [S] To what extent did you feel it was your choice whether to use the service? Would you say it was ... Read out. Single code.

- 1. Entirely your choice
- 2. Mainly your choice
- 3. Partly your choice
- 4. Not your choice at all
- 5. Don't know/can't remember [DO NOT READ OUT]

Base: All

Q06 [S] How did you feel about being referred to Fit for Work? Would you say you were ... Read out. Single code.

- 1. Very concerned
- 2. Fairly concerned
- 3. Neither concerned nor unconcerned
- 4. Fairly unconcerned
- 5. Very unconcerned
- 6. Don't know/can't remember [DO NOT READ OUT]

Base: All codes 1-2 at Q06 (all concerned about being referred)

Q07 [M] What were your concerns? PROBE: Anything else? Probe to precodes.

- 1. Employer would not take recommendations on board
- 2. Fit for Work would duplicate existing occupational health/medical advice
- 3. Fit for Work would conflict with existing occupational health/medical advice
- 4. Didn't want to talk to another person about health condition
- 5. Concerned about the neutrality of the service
- 6. May be encouraged to return to work too quickly (and risk damaging health)
- 7. I didn't know enough about it/lack of information
- 8. Didn't know why I had been referred
- 9. Other (Please specify)
- 10. Don't know/can't remember

Base: All

Q08 [O] How long had you been on sick leave when you were referred to Fit for Work? *If respondent unsure, probe for best estimate. 1 month = 4 weeks*

- 1. ... Weeks
- 2. Unsure/Don't know

Base: All

Q08a [O] Including that period, how long in total were you on sick leave during the 12 months before you were referred to Fit for Work? Answer must be at least equal to Q08. If respondent unsure, probe for best estimate. 1 month = 4 weeks

- Weeks
- 2. Unsure/Don't know

Base: All

Q09 [S] Did you think the referral came at the right time for you, too early or too late? Single code.

- 1. Right time
- 2. Too early
- Too late
- 4. Don't know

Base: All

Q10 [S] Before you first had contact with the service, how confident were you that you would be able to return to work after your sickness absence, to the job you were in at the time? Would you say you were ... Read out. Single code.

- 1. Very confident
- 2. Fairly confident
- 3. Neither confident nor unconfident
- 4. Fairly unconfident
- 5. Very unconfident
- 6. Don't know/can't remember [DO NOT READ OUT]

Base: All

Q11 [S] Before you first had contact with the service, how confident were you that you would be able to return to any job whether with your existing employer or elsewhere? Would you say you were...Read out. Single code.

- 1. Very confident
- 2. Fairly confident
- 3. Neither confident nor unconfident
- 4. Fairly unconfident
- 5. Very unconfident
- 6. Don't know [DO NOT READ OUT]

B) The Assessment Process

Base: All

Q12 [S] Did you have an assessment, by that I mean a discussion with Fit for Work, to talk about what might be preventing you going back to work and possible solutions?

- 1. Yes GO TO Q15
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know GO TO Q47

Base: All code 2 at Q12 (all who did not have an assessment)

Q13 [S] Why not? Read out.

- No one from Fit for Work got in contact to arrange an assessment GO TO Q47
- 2. I did not go through with the assessment ASK Q14

If did not go through assessment (code 2 at Q13)

Base: All code 2 at Q13 (all who did go through with the assessment)

Q14 [M] Why did you not go through with the assessment?

- 1. I was not well on the day
- 2. Difficult to get to the phone/travel
- 3. I did not agree to it in the first place
- 4. I did not think it would benefit me
- 5. I was worried I'd be pushed back to work too soon
- 6. Other (Please specify)
- 7. Don't know

Now go to Q47

Base: All code 1 at Q12 (all who had an assessment)

Q15 [O] How many assessments did you have?

1. Write in number (CATI - MAXIMUM OF 9 ALLOWED)

Base: All code 1 at Q12 (all who had an assessment)

Q16 [S] Was the [first] assessment conducted by telephone or face-to-face? Repeat for each assessment, up to a maximum of 3, from Q15.

- 1. Telephone
- 2. Face-to-face
- 3. Can't remember

Base: All code 1 or 2 at Q16 (all who had an assessment conducted over the phone or face-to-face)

Q17 [S] Were you happy with your first assessment being conducted [over the telephone/face-to-face – based on response to Q16]

- 1. Happy with format
- 2. Would have preferred face-to-face [if telephone]
- 3. Would have preferred telephone [if face-to-face]
- 4. Don't know

Base: All code 1 at Q12 (all who had an assessment)

Q18 [S] Did your assessment(s) cover the following? Read out.

Your general attitudes to your health and your work.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Not sure

Discussion of your physical and/or mental health, and the effect this may have on your work.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Not sure

Discussion about any difficulties at work that might act as obstacles to you getting back to work.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- Not sure

Other personal difficulties outside work that might act as obstacles to you getting back to work.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Not sure

Base: All code 1 at Q12 (all who had an assessment)

Q19 [O] Was there anything that the assessment(s) did not cover that you would have liked to have discussed?

- 1. Yes (Please specify)
- 2. No.
- Not sure

Base: All code 1 at Q12 (all who had an assessment)

Q20 [S] The person who conducts the assessment is called a case manager, to what extent do you agree or disagree that ... Read out and rotate statements.

- Your assessment focused on return to work and not just your medical condition
- Your case manager was easy to talk to
- Your assessment(s) covered all the issues affecting your return to work
- Your assessment(s) was conducted in a professional manner
- 1. Strongly agree
- 2. Agree
- 3. Neither agree nor disagree
- 4. Disagree
- 5. Strongly disagree
- 6. Don't know DO NOT READ OUT

C) Return to Work Plan

Base: All code 1 at Q12 (all who had an assessment)

Q21 [S] Do you recall receiving a copy of your Return to Work Plan? Case managers help prepare this document which outlines what actions could be taken to help an employee get back to work and when that might be.

- 1. Yes, I received one
- 2. No, I did not receive one
- 3. Don't know

Base: All code 2 at Q21 (all who did not receive a copy of their Return to Work Plan)

Q22 [S] Do you know why you were not given one?

- 1. I just did not receive one
- 2. I did not want to carry on with the service
- 3. I had returned to work
- 4. I don't know why I did not get a Return to Work Plan
- 5. Other (Please specify)

NOW GO TO Q47

Base: All code 1 at Q21 (all who received their Return to Work Plan)

Q23 [S] How satisfied were you ... Rotate statements, other than last one which always ends. Read out scale.

- That the Plan covered all the issues affecting your return to work
- That you were able to agree the issues covered by your Plan with your case manager
- That you were able to agree the recommendations in your Plan with your case manager
- That your plan was tailored to your particular needs
- That the actions in your Plan were achievable
- That your Plan would help you return to work
- That your Plan contained new suggestions or actions not considered before
- With your Return to Work Plan as a whole
- 1. Very satisfied
- 2. Fairly satisfied
- 3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- 4. Fairly dissatisfied
- 5. Very dissatisfied
- 6. Don't know DO NOT READ OUT

Q24 moved below Q33.

Q25 There is no Q25

Q26 There is no Q26

Q27 There is no Q27

Base: All code 1 at Q21 (all who received their Return to Work Plan)

Q28 [S] Did you agree that your Return to Work Plan could be shared with your GP?

- 1. Yes, all of it
- 2. Yes, some of it
- 3. No, none of it
- 4. Don't know/can't recall

Base: All codes 2-3 at Q28 (all who said some/none of their Plan could be shared with their GP)

Q29 [M] Why did you not want to share some or all of it?

- 1. There were no actions for my GP
- 2. I didn't think it was relevant for my GP to see it
- 3. I did not think my GP would want to see it
- 4. It contained information I didn't want my GP to see
- 5. Other (*Please specify*)
- 6. Don't know/can't recall

Base: All coded 1 at Q21 (all who received their Return to Work Plan)

Q30 [S] Did you discuss your Return to Work Plan with your GP?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know/can't recall

Base: All code 1 at Q30 (all who discussed their Plan with their GP)

Q31 [S] How helpful was that discussion, with a view to getting you back to work? Read out.

- 1. Very helpful
- 2. Fairly helpful
- 3. Neither helpful nor unhelpful
- 4. Fairly unhelpful
- 5. Very unhelpful
- 6. Don't know DO NOT READ OUT

Base: All code 1 at Q21 (all who received their Return to Work Plan)

Q32 [S] Did you agree that your Return to Work Plan could be shared with your employer?

- 1. Yes, all of it
- 2. Yes, some of it
- 3. No, none of it
- 4. Don't know/can't recall

Base: All codes 2-3 at Q32 (all who said some/none of their Plan could be shared with their employer)

Q33 [M] Why did you not want to share some or all of it with your employer?

- There were no actions for my employer
- 2. I didn't think it was relevant for my employer to see it
- 3. I did not think my employer would want to see it
- 4. It contained information I didn't want my employer to see
- 5. Other (*Please specify*)
- 6. Don't know/can't recall

Base: All code 1 at Q21 (all who received their Return to Work Plan)

Q24 [S] Did your case manager contact your employer to discuss your return to work plans?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know/can't recall

Base: All coded 1 at Q21 (all who received their Return to Work Plan)

Q34 [S] Did you discuss your Return to Work Plan with your employer?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- Don't know/can't recall

Base: All code 1 at Q34 (all who discussed their Plan with their employer)

Q35 [S] With whom did you have that discussion?

- 1. Immediate line/manager/supervisor
- 2. HR/personnel manager
- 3. Workplace occupational health adviser/professional
- 4. Other (*Please specify*)
- 5. Don't know/can't recall

Base: All code 1 at Q34 (all who discussed their Plan with their employer)

Q36 [S] How helpful was that discussion, with a view to getting you back to work? *Read out.*

- 1. Very helpful
- 2. Fairly helpful
- 3. Neither helpful nor unhelpful
- 4. Fairly unhelpful
- 5. Very unhelpful
- 6. Don't know DO NOT READ OUT

Base: All code 1 at Q21 (all who received their Return to Work Plan)

Q37 [S] Did you have any further contact with your Fit For Work case manager once you had agreed your Return to Work Plan?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know/can't recall

Base: All code 1 at Q37 (All who had further contact with their FfW case manager)

Q38 [M] What form did that contact take? Code all that apply.

- 1. Face-to face meeting
- 2. Telephone
- 3. E-mail
- 4. Text
- 5. Facebook/Twitter/other form of social media
- 6. Other (*Please specify*)

Base: All code 1 at Q37 (All who had further contact with their FfW case manager)

Q39 [M] What was the contact about?

- 1. Asking whether you had gone back to work
- 2. Asking whether you needed any further support
- 3. Asking about the progress with your Return to Work Plan
- 4. Problems with employer
- 5. Other (*Please specify*)
- 6. Don't know/can't recall

Base: All code 1 at Q37 (All who had further contact with their FfW case manager)

Q40 [S] How helpful did you find the further contact with your case manager? *Read out.*

- 1. Very helpful
- 2. Fairly helpful
- 3. Neither helpful nor unhelpful
- 4. Fairly unhelpful
- 5. Very unhelpful
- 6. Don't know DO NOT READ OUT

Base: All code 1 at Q21 (all who received their Return to Work Plan)

Q41 [S] Would you have liked further contact beyond that?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Not sure

Base: All code 1 at Q21 (all who received their Return to Work Plan)

Q42 [S] Have you been required by your employer to submit the summary of your Return to Work Plan to certify your absence, like a fit note? *IF NECESSARY*: A fit note (or Statement of Fitness for Work) is issued by a doctor and states how your health condition(s) affect your ability to work.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- Don't know

Base: Code 2-3 at Q42 (all not required by their employer to submit a summary of their Plan)

Q43 [S] Did your employer ask you for a fit note?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know

Base: All code 1 at Q21 (all who received their Return to Work Plan)

Q44 [S] Have the recommendations in your Return to Work Plan actually taken place?

- 1. Yes, all of them
- 2. Yes, some of them
- 3. No, none of them
- 4. Not applicable not back at work/not returning to work
- 5. Not applicable only just back at work so not actioned

Base: All codes 2-3 at Q44 (all for whom some/none of their Plan recommendations took place)

Q45 [M] Who didn't action the recommendations? Was it ... Code all that apply.

- 1. You
- 2. Your employer
- 3. Or your GP?

Base: All codes 2-3 at Q44 (all for whom some/none of their Plan recommendations took place)

Q46 [M] Which ones were [If someone says 'all of them' please ask what that involved and code to the list]:

Not acted on by your GP? [Ask only for those saying GP at Q45]

- 1. Open ended
- 2. Don't know

Not acted on by your GP? [Ask only for those saying GP at Q45]

- 1. Phased return to work
- 2. Shorter hours/days, breaks
- 3. Finding 'light'/amended duties
- 4. Provision of workplace adjustments e.g. chairs/standing desk
- 5. Other (*Please specify*)
- 6 Don't know

Not acted on by you? [Ask only for those saying you at Q45]

- 1. Physio exercises
- 2. Accessing advice/helplines
- 3. Using guidance materials
- 4. Other (Please specify)
- 5. Don't know

Base: All

Q47 [S] At the same time as you were in contact with Fit for Work, did you receive help with the obstacles affecting your return to work from anyone else?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know

Base: All code 1 at Q47 (all who received help from someone apart from Fit for Work)

Q48 [S] From whom? Code all that apply.

- 1. Your employer's occupational health department or contractor
- 2. GP
- 3. Other health professional
- 4. Trade union
- 5. Colleagues at work
- 6. Family/friends
- 7. Other (*Please specify*)

D) Impact

Base: All

Q49 [S] Are you now back working again in any capacity? *If necessary*: This can be a new job with a different employer.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

Base: All code 2 at Q49 (all who are NOT back in work)

Q50 [S] Are you still seeking to return to work?

- 1. Yes, definitely
- 2. Yes possibly
- 3. No
- 4. Depends
- 5. Don't know

Base: All code 3-5 at Q50 (all who are not seeking to return/unsure about returning to work)

Q51 [M] Why do you say that? Code all that apply.

- 1. Retired
- 2. On disability/incapacity benefits
- 3. Not interested in going back to work
- 4. Need more changes to my work
- 5. Haven't yet decided
- 6. Other (*Please specify*)
- 7. Still ill
- 8. Don't know

Base: All codes 1-2 or 4-5 at Q50 (all who are seeking to return to work/depends/don't know)

Q52 [M] What is it that is preventing you from returning to work? Code all that apply.

- 1. Health condition not sufficiently improved/got worse/still ill
- 2. Need to be 'fully recovered' to be able to return to work
- 3. Returned to work, but fell ill again
- 4. Other conditions at work need to improve
- 5. Employer has not acted on RtWP recommendations
- 6. Waiting for referrals e.g. to MH/MSK support
- 7. Waiting to find another job/been made redundant
- 8. Other (*Please specify*)
- 9. Don't know

Base: All codes 1-2 or 4-5 at Q50 (all who are seeking to return to work/depends/don't know)

Q53 [S] How helpful or unhelpful has your involvement with the Fit for Work [Scotland – from sample] service been in preparing you to return to work at some point in the future? Read out.

- 1. Very helpful
- 2. Fairly helpful
- 3. Neither helpful nor unhelpful
- 4. Fairly unhelpful
- 5. Very unhelpful
- 6. Don't know DO NOT READ OUT

Base: All codes 1-2 at Q53 (all who found Fit for Work helpful in preparing to return to work)

Q54 [M] In what way has your involvement with Fit for Work [Scotland - from sample] helped you move towards returning to work? Code all that apply.

- Helped me to manage my condition better
- 2. Enabled me to access additional health care that could help me stay in work
- 3. Encouraged my employer to make changes at work that have helped me
- 4. Pointed me in the direction of the support I needed
- 5. Improved confidence/kept me positive/empowered me
- 6. Other (Please specify)

Base: All codes 3-6 at Q53 (all who didn't find Fit for Work helpful in preparing to return to work)

Q55 [M] Why do you say that? Code all that apply.

- 1. Employer does not recognise Fit for Work
- 2. Employer has not acted on some/all of the recommendations
- 3. Fit for Work duplicates existing occupational health provision
- 4. Decided to not go back to any work (e.g. retire)
- 5. Need to be 'fully recovered' to be able to return to work
- 6. Not enough/little understanding of my health condition
- 7. Other (*Please specify*)

Base: All code 2 at Q49 (all who are NOT back in work)

Q56 [M] What would help you get back to work? Code all that apply.

- 1. Support with retraining
- 2. Require employer to implement Return to Work Plan
- 3. Better health/feeling well again
- 4. Finding a job/new job
- 5. Nothing have retired
- 6. Nothing have no interest in going back to work
- 7. Other (*Please specify*)
- 8. Don't know

Base: All code 1 at Q49 (all who are back in work)

Q57[S] What job are you doing? I mean, are you doing the same type of work as before you went off sick or a different type of job?

- 1. Yes, the same type of work
- 2. No, different type of job
- 3. Don't know

Base: All code 1 at Q49 (all who are back in work)

Q57a [S] And is that with the same employer or a different one?

- 1. The same employer
- 2. A different one
- 3. Don't know

Base: All code 1 at Q49 (all who are back in work)

Q58 [S] How helpful or unhelpful has your involvement with the Fit for Work [Scotland – from sample] service been in helping your return to work? Read out.

- 1. Very helpful
- 2. Fairly helpful
- 3. Neither helpful nor unhelpful
- 4. Fairly unhelpful
- 5. Very unhelpful
- 6. Don't know DO NOT READ OUT

Base: All codes 1-2 at Q58 (all who found Fit for Work helpful in returning to work)

Q59 [M] In what way has your involvement with Fit for Work [Scotland – *from sample*] assisted your return to work? *Code all that apply.*

- 1. Helped me to manage my condition better
- 2. Enabled me to access additional health care that could help me stay in work
- 3. Encouraged my employer to make changes at work that have helped me
- 4. Pointed me in the direction of the support I needed
- 5. Improved confidence/kept me positive/empowered me
- 6. Other (*Please specify*)
- 7. Don't know

Base: All codes 3-6 at Q58 (all who didn't find Fit for Work helpful in returning to work)

Q60 [M] Why do you say that? Code all that apply.

- 1. Employer does not recognise Fit for Work
- 2. Employer has not acted on some/all of the recommendations
- 3. Fit for Work duplicates existing occupational health provision
- 4. Decided to not go back to any work (e.g. retire)
- 5. Need to be 'fully recovered' to be able to return to work
- 6. Other (*Please specify*)
- 7. Don't know

Base: All

Q61 [S] Could Fit for Work [Scotland – *from sample*] have done more to help you get back to work?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Not sure

Base: All code 1 at Q61 (all who felt Fit for Work could have done more to help)

Q62 [M] What could Fit for Work [Scotland – *from sample*] have done to help you get back to work?

- 1. Support with retraining
- 2. Require employer to implement Return to Work Plan
- 3. Been quicker
- 4. More follow-up/contact
- 5. Other (*Please specify*)
- 6. Don't know

Base: All code 1 at Q49 (all back in work)

Q63 [M] Have you been off sick again since you returned to work? *If yes, probe for code*: Was that for the same reason you had contact with the Fit for Work service?

- 1. Yes, been off for the same reason
- 2. Yes, been off for another reason
- 3. No, not been off sick since returned to work
- 4. Don't know

Q64 There is no Q64

Q65 There is no Q65

Base: All

Q66 [S] How would you describe your health and well-being now compared to when you were referred to Fit for Work [Scotland – from sample]? *Read out.*

- Much better
- Somewhat better
- About the same
- Somewhat worse
- 5. Much worse
- 6. Don't know DO NOT READ OUT

Base: All

Q67 [S] Which of the following statements best describes your involvement with Fit for Work [Scotland - from sample]? *Read out.*

- 1. It made very little difference to me returning to work
- 2. (If code 1 at Q49) It enabled me to return to work quicker than I would have otherwise done (if code 2 at Q49). It should enable me to return to work quicker than I otherwise would have done
- 3. It delayed me getting back to work
- 4. Don't know DO NOT READ OUT

Base: All

Q68 [O] How, in your view could the Fit for Work Service [Scotland - from sample] be improved?

- 1. Want more face-to-face/personal contact
- 2. More empathy/understanding from Fit for Work/case manager
- 3. A quicker process/referral employer
- 4. A quicker process Fit for Work
- 5. More contact/follow-up
- 6. Other (*Please specify*)
- 7. No improvements necessary
- 8. Don't know

E) Fit for Work Advisory

Base: All

Q69 [S] Other than what we have talked about today, are you aware of the separate Fit for Work advice service? This is a Government-sponsored service delivering occupational health advice to employees, employers and GPs via telephone or the internet.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No.
- 3. Don't know

Base: All code 1 at Q69 (all aware of the Fit for Work advice services)

Q70 [S] Have you used the Fit for Work advice service?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know

Base: All code 1 at Q70 (all who have used any of the Fit for Work advice services)

Q71 [M] Which ones?

- 1. Telephone line
- 2. Online chat
- 3. Email
- 4. Other (*Please specify*)
- 5. Don't know

Base: All code 1 at Q70 (all who have used any of the Fit for Work advice services)

Q72 [S] How satisfied were you with the help you received from the Fit for Work advice service? *Read out.*

- 1. Very satisfied
- 2. Fairly satisfied
- 3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- 4. Fairly dissatisfied
- 5. Very dissatisfied
- 6. Don't know DO NOT READ OUT

Q73 There is no Q73

E) Demographics

Base: All

Q74 [S] Interviewer code gender – DO NOT READ OUT

- 1. Male
- 2. Female

Base: All

Q75 [S] I'd now like to ask some questions about you. How old are you?

- 1. 16-24
- 3. 25-34
- 4. 35-44
- 5. 45-54
- 6. 55-64
- 7. 65+
- 8. Refused

Base: All

Q76 [S] What is your ethnic group? Read out headings and then detail if needed.

- 1. White (e.g. English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British; Irish; Gypsy or Irish Traveller; any other White background)
- 2. Mixed/Multiple ethnic groups (e.g. White and Black Caribbean; White and Black African; White and Asian; any other Mixed/Multiple ethnic background)
- 3. Asian/Asian British (e.g. Indian; Pakistani; Bangladeshi; Chinese; any other Asian background)
- 4. Black/African/Caribbean/Black British (e.g. African; Caribbean; any other Black/ African/Caribbean background)
- 5. Other ethnic group (e.g. Arab)
- 6. Refused

Base: All

Q77 [S] In which part of the UK do you live?

- 1. England
 - a. North East
 - b. North West
 - c. Yorkshire and Humberside
 - d. West Midlands
 - e. East Midlands
 - f. East of England
 - g. London
 - h. South East (outside London)
 - i. South West
- 2. Scotland
- 3. Wales

Base: All

Q78 [O] At the time you first had contact with Fit for Work, what was your occupation? And what was the name or title of your job?

- 1. Open ended
- 2. Don't know

Base: All

Q79 [O] What does the firm/organisation you worked for mainly make or do (at the place where you worked)?

Describe fully.

Probe: Manufacturing, processing or distribution etc.; main goods produced; materials used; wholesale or retail; etc. We are aiming to visualise where someone works and what they do. If you can't visualise those things then you need to keep probing.

- 1. Open ended
- 2. Don't know

Base: All

Q80 [S] How many people were employed at the organisation you then worked for?

- 1. 1-9
- 2. 10-49
- 3. 50-249
- 4. 250-499
- 5. 500+
- 6. Don't know

Base: All

Q81 [S] Did your employer provide you with occupational health support, that is professional advice and support provided by your employer about your health, well-being and fitness to work?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Not sure

Base: All

Q82 [S] What was the one main health reason you were off sick when you were referred to Fit for Work? Single code only.

- 1. Mental health depression
- 2. Mental health anxiety
- 3. Mental health stress
- 4. Mental health other/or unspecified mental health problem
- Musculoskeletal back
- 6. Musculoskeletal upper limb
- 7. Musculoskeletal lower limb
- 8. Musculoskeletal other
- 9. Other health problem (not mental health or musculoskeletal)
- 10. Refused

Base: All

Q83 [S] Which of the following best describes your household situation? Do you have any responsibility for any children aged under-16? *If yes, probe for sole or shared.* Read out.

- 1. Yes sole responsibility
- 2. Yes shared responsibility
- 3. No responsibility
- 4. Refused

Base: All

Q84 [S] Other than in a professional capacity, do you look after or give special help to anyone who is sick, disabled or elderly? *ADD IF NECESSARY*: The person or people you look after could be a relative, partner, child or friend, and it doesn't matter if you live with them or not.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No.

Base: All

Q85 [S] Thinking about the job you had before you had contact with Fit for Work [Scotland – from sample], did your employer give you sick pay, in addition to Statutory Sick Pay?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Not sure

Base: All

Q86 [S] Taking everything into consideration, how satisfied were you with the job you were doing before you went on sick leave? Would you say you were ... Read out.

- 1. Very satisfied
- 2. Fairly satisfied
- 3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- 4. Fairly dissatisfied
- 5. Very dissatisfied
- 6. Don't know DO NOT READ OUT

Base: All

Q87 [M] Was the health condition you had when you had contact with Fit for Work either caused by or made worse by work?

- 1. Yes caused by
- 2. Yes made worse by
- 3. No

Base: All

Q88 [S] How concerned (if yes at Q49) were (if no at Q49) or are you about these things while on sickness absence? *Read out.*

- Loss of pay
- Loss of job
- Worry about your boss's reaction
- Extra burden on colleagues
- Effect on employer's business
- How I would be treated by colleagues when I went back to work
- 1. Very concerned
- 2. Fairly concerned
- 3. Neither concerned nor unconcerned
- 4. Fairly unconcerned
- 5. Very unconcerned
- 6. Don't know DO NOT READ OUT

Base: All

Q88a [S] Were you concerned about anything else?

- 1. Open ended
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know

F) Permission to Recontact

Base: All except codes 2-3 at Q12 (excluding those who did not, or did not know, if they had a Fit for Work assessment)

R1 [S] We would like to contact you again in about 6 months to find out how things are going. Would this be okay? *ADD IF NECESSARY*: If we contact you the interview would take around 20 minutes and would be by phone again. You will still be able to decline to participate at that point.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No THANK AND CLOSE

THANK AND CLOSE

Research Tools Appendix 2 Fit for Work Wave Two Employee Survey

This is a follow up survey of employees who were referred to the Fit for Work program due to extended sick leave. They were originally interviewed in March-August 2016 and we are re-contacting them ~7 months later to follow up from the first interview. All to be contacted gave permission.

Employment Status

Base: all respondents

Q1 [S] Last time we spoke to you about 7 or 8 months ago, you said that you were [back working again/not back working again - textfill relevant answer Q49 from W1 survey].

- 1. Are you currently [still] working? This can be with a new or different employer
- 2. If necessary: This also includes self-employment
- 3. Yes
- 4. No

Base: all currently working (code 1 at Q1)

Q2 [N] How long were you on sick leave after using the Fit for Work service?

Researcher Note: If respondent unsure, probe for best estimate. 1 month = 4 weeks; 7 days = 1 week

- 1. Enter weeks
- 2. Don't know

Base: all currently working (code 1 at Q1)

Q3 [S] Are you doing the same type of work as before you went off sick, or a different type of job?

- 1. Yes, the same type of work
- 2. No, different type of job
- 3. Don't know

Base: all currently working (code 1 at Q1)

Q4 [S] Is your current work with the same employer as before you went off sick, or a different one?

- 1. The same employer
- 2. A different employer
- 3. Self-employed
- 4. Don't know

Base: all currently working (code 1 at Q1)

Q5 [S] Have you been off sick for more than a week since you returned to work? *If YES, probe for code:* Was that for the same reason you had contact with Fit for Work [Scotland – *from sample*]?

- 1. Yes, been off for the same reason
- 2. Yes, been off for another reason
- 3. No, not been off sick since returned to work
- 4. Don't know

Base: all currently working who had been off sick again (codes 1-2 at Q5)

Q6 [S] How long were you off work in total between your return to work and today? *If* respondent unsure, probe for best estimate. 1 month = 4 weeks; 7 days = 1 week

- 1. Enter weeks
- 2. Don't know

Base: all currently working who had been off sick again (codes 1-2 at Q5)

Q7 [S] Was this over the course of ... Read out. Select one only.

- 1. A single period of sickness absence
- 2. Multiple periods of sickness absence
- 3. Don't know

Base: all not currently working (code 2 at Q8)

Q8 [S] Have you been off work continuously since [insert date of W1 interview]?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No, was back at work for a time
- 3. Don't know

Base: all not currently working who had been back at work for a time (code 2 at Q8)

Q9 [S] Did you return to work ... Read out. Select one only.

- 1. To the same job with the same employer
- 2. To a different job with the same employer
- 3. With a different employer
- 4. To several different job roles
- 5. To be self-employed
- 6. Don't know

Base: all not currently working (code 2 at Q1)

Q10 [S] Which of the following best describes your work situation now: Are you ... Read out. Select one only.

- 1. An employee but on sick leave
- 2. Unemployed and seeking paid work
- 3. Unemployed and not seeking paid work
- 4. Self-employed but not currently working
- 5. Other (*Please specify*)
- 6. Don't know

Base: all not working OR those who are in a different job (with the same or different employer) (code 2 at Q1 or code 2 at Q3)

Q11 [M] What were the reasons you have now left the job you had when you first contacted the Fit for Work service?

- Work-related stress
- 2. Harassment/bullying at work
- 3. Not financially worthwhile
- 4. Dissatisfied with job/job opportunities
- 5. Felt could not cope with physical/mental demands at work
- 6. Was found unfit for work by FfW/GP/Work Capability Assessment
- 7. Employment terminated by employer due to ill health
- 8. Employment terminated by employer due to other reason
- 9. Employer didn't action my Return to Work Plan
- 10. Employer was inflexible (e.g. about my working days and hours)
- 11. Got a promotion/pay rise
- 12. Needed different working hours
- 13. Poor relationship with previous employer

- 14. Moved house/location
- 15. Other (specify)
- 16. Don't know [S]

Base: all not currently working but still an employee (code 1 at Q10)

Q12 [S] Are you currently receiving ... Read out. You cannot get employer sick pay without also receiving statutory sick pay. If respondent says they receive sick pay from an employer only, code as answer 2.

- 1. Statutory sick pay only
- 2. Sick pay from an employer in addition to Statutory sick pay
- 3. Neither Statutory sick pay nor Employer sick pay
- 4. Don't know

Base: all currently in work now or who went back to work for a while (code 1 at Q1 or code 2 at Q8)

Q13a [M] If Code 1 at Q1: Do you currently/ If Code 2 at Q8: During the time you returned to work, did you have any permanent adjustments or changes in place to help you to remain in work? What are they? DO NOT PROMPT. Scripter: note Q13B – ask Q13b after each answer they give at Q13a, rather than as a block afterwards.

- 1. Changed hours of work (e.g. number of days/hours worked)
- 2. Changed pattern of work (e.g. later start, earlier finish, allowing short breaks throughout the day)
- 3. Changed duties (e.g. alternative tasks, work in another part of the organisation)
- 4. Reduced workload (e.g. sharing deadlines, reallocation of workload)
- 5. Working at home or at a premises close to your home to reduce/avoid travel
- 6. Phased return to work
- 7. Provision of workplace adjustments (e.g. chairs/standing desk)
- 8. Other (specify)
- 9. No arrangements are in place [S]

Base: all answering Q13a AND who received a copy of their RtWP (W1 code 1 at Q21)

Q13b [S] For each response to Q13a – Was that change part of your Return to Work Plan?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know

Base: all currently in work now or who went back to work for a while (code 1 at Q1 or code 2 at Q8)

Q14a [M] *If Code 1 at Q1*: Do you currently/ *If Code 2 at Q8*: During the time you returned to work, did you have any TEMPORARY adjustments or changes in place to help you to remain in work? What are they? *DO NOT PROMPT. Scripter: Note Q14b – ask Q14b after each answer they give at Q14a, rather than as a block afterwards.*

- 1. Changed hours of work (e.g. number of days/hours worked)
- 2. Changed pattern of work (e.g. later start, earlier finish, allowing short breaks throughout the day)
- 3. Changed duties (e.g. alternative tasks, work in another part of the organisation)
- 4. Reduced workload (e.g. sharing deadlines, reallocation of workload)
- 5. Working at home or at a premises close to your home to reduce/avoid travel
- 6. Phased return to work
- 7. Provision of workplace adjustments (e.g. chairs/standing desk)
- 8. Other (specify)
- 9. No arrangements are in place [S]

Base: all answering Q14a AND who received a copy of their RtWP (W1 code 1 at Q21)

Q14b [S] For each response to Q14a – Was that change part of your Return to Work Plan?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know

Base: all respondents

Q15 [M] Are you currently receiving any benefits? If yes, code all mentioned. What are you claiming? Interviewer: we are only interested in work-related benefits. If respondent mentions housing/child/council tax-related benefits, do not code these.

- 1. Disability Living Allowance (DLA)
- 2. Employment and Support Allowance (Support Group)
- 3. Employment and Support Allowance (Work Related Activity Group)
- 4. Employment and Support Allowance (Unsure)
- 5. Income Support
- 6. Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- 7. Personal Independence Payment (PIP)
- 8. Universal Credit (UC)
- 9. Claiming benefits but not sure which
- 10. Not claiming benefits [S]

Base: all not currently working (code 2 at Q1)

Q16 [M] What is preventing you from returning to work? DO NOT PROMPT

- 1. Work-related stress
- 2. Health condition not sufficiently improved/got worse/continuing
- 3. New health condition(s)
- 4. Employer has not acted on my Return to Work Plan recommendations
- 5. Delays in receiving healthcare
- 6. Harassment/bullying/grievances at work
- 7. Caring responsibilities
- 8. Lack of skills/qualifications
- 9. Not financially worthwhile
- 10. Dissatisfied with job/job opportunities
- 11. Fear that cannot cope with physical/mental demands of work
- 12. Poor relationship with employer
- 13. Been made redundant
- 14. Something else (specify)
- 15. Nothing is preventing me [S]
- 16. Don't know [S]

Base: all not currently working (code 2 at Q1)

Q17 [M] What support, if any, could have helped you return to work? Do not prompt.

- 1. Changed hours of work (e.g. number of days/hours worked)
- 2. Changed pattern of work (e.g. later start, earlier finish, allowing short breaks throughout the day)
- 3. Changed duties (e.g. alternative tasks, work in another part of the organisation)
- 4. Reduced workload (e.g. sharing deadlines, reallocation of workload)
- 5. Working at home or at a premises close to your home to avoid or reduce travel
- 6. Phased return to work
- 7. Provision of workplace adjustments (e.g. chairs/standing desk)
- 8. Regular meetings or updates with your employer
- 9. The attitude/level of support from your employer
- 10. Moving to a different job with the same employer
- 11. Finding a new job
- 12. Require employer to implement Return to Work Plan
- 13. Treatment or further treatment for your condition
- 14. More time for recovery
- 15. Help with building self-confidence
- 16. Nothing (not interested in going back to work/retired) [S]
- 17. Other (specify)
- 18. None of these [S]
- 19. Don't know [S]

Subsequent Return to Work Plan (RtWP) Actions

Base: all respondents who had remaining actions for their employer (W1 survey Q45 code 2)

Q18 [S] At *[insert date/month of W1 interview]*, you explained that there were recommendations in your Return to Work Plan that your employer had not acted upon yet. Has this changed?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know

Base: all respondents who had remaining actions for their employer (W1 survey Q45 code 2)

Q19 [M] Why have these recommendations for your employer not been implemented?

- 1. Recommendation(s) cost too much
- 2. Recommendations did not have enough detail or guidance
- 3. Couldn't deliver in my work context/not practicable
- 4. I did not want action taken
- 5. Recommendations would not benefit me
- 6. I had already gone back to work when recommendations were received
- 7. I was not ready to return to work when the recommendations were received
- 8. Recommendations still under consideration
- 9. Employer does not recognise Fit for Work
- 10. I have changed job role
- 11. I have left work
- 12. No specific reason
- 13. Other (specify) [S]
- 14. Don't know [S]

Views of Fit for Work [Scotland]

Base: all respondents who received a Return to Work Plan (RtWP) (W1 survey Q21 code 1)

Q20 [S] In hindsight, since your involvement with Fit for Work [Scotland – from sample], how satisfied are you ... Scripter: rotate statements but 'With your Plan as a whole' always comes last.

- That the Return to Work Plan covered all the issues affecting your return to work?
- That your Plan was tailored to your particular needs?
- That the actions in your Plan were achievable?
- That your Plan was helpful with a view to returning to work?
- That your Plan contained new suggestions or actions not considered before?
- With your Plan as a whole?
- 1. Very satisfied
- 2. Fairly satisfied
- 3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Fairly dissatisfied
- 5. Very dissatisfied
- 6. Don't know

Base: all respondents

Q21 [M] Could Fit for Work [Scotland – from sample] have done more to help you get back to work? If yes, what?

- 1. Support with careers advice/(re)training
- 2. Provide more follow-up and contact
- 3. More sympathetic/understanding approach
- 4. Require employer to implement Return to Work Plan
- 5. Act as a liaison/mediator between me and my employer
- 6. Help me/my employer understand what was in my plan
- 7. More personal/face-to-face contact
- 8. Help to access healthcare support
- 9. Support to gain more self-confidence
- 10. Provide more clinically relevant advice tailored to me
- 11. Other (specify)
- 12. No, the service could not have done anything else [S]

Base: all respondents

Q22 [M] Have you had any further contact with Fit for Work [Scotland – from sample] since you were discharged from the service? If yes, how?

- 1. From a case manager
- 2. Used the advice website
- 3. Called the advice telephone line
- 4. Had an online chat with an advisor
- 5. No further contact [S]
- 6. Don't know [S]

Base: all respondents

Q23 [M] Since [insert date of Q1 interview], have you received help with the obstacles affecting your return to work from anyone other than Fit for Work [Scotland – from sample]? If yes, probe for code.

- 1. Yes, from your employer's occupational health department or contractor
- 2. Yes, from your GP
- 3. Yes, from another health professional
- 4. Yes, from your trade union
- 5. Yes, from other source (SPECIFY)
- 6. Yes, from family/friends
- 7. No further support

Base: all respondents

Q24 [S] How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? The contact I had with Fit for Work [Scotland – from sample] ... Read out. Rotate statements.

- (If at work code 1 at Q1) Helped me to reduce the number of days I
 have been off sick from work since going back
- (If at work code 1 at Q1) Helped me to work more productively
- (If at work code 1 at Q1) Helped me to increase the amount of hours I can work
- (If at work code 1 at Q1) Helped me to have better relationships at work
- (If at work code 1 at Q1) Helped me to return to work more quickly
- (If at work code 1 at Q1) Reduced the likelihood I will have a period of long-term sickness absence in the future
- (If at work code 1 at Q1) Helped me to stay in work
- (All respondents) Helped me to manage by health condition(s)
- 1. Strongly agree
- 2. Agree
- 3. Neither agree nor disagree
- 4. Disagree
- 5. Strongly disagree
- 6. Don't know

Base: all respondents

Q25 [S] Overall, how satisfied are you with the service you received through Fit for Work [Scotland – from sample]? Read out scale.

- 1. Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- 4. Dissatisfied
- 5. Very dissatisfied
- 6. Don't know

Demographics

Base: all respondents

Q26 [S] How is your mental health in general? Would you say it is ... Read out

- 1. Very good
- 2. Good
- 3. Fair
- 4. Bad
- 5. Very bad
- 6. Changeable over time
- 7. Don't know

Base: all respondents

Q27 [S] How is your physical health in general? Would you say it is ... Read out loud

- 1. Very good
- 2. Good
- 3. Fair
- 4. Bad
- 5. Very bad
- 6. Changeable over time
- 7. Don't know

Base: all respondents

Q28 [S] How would you describe your overall physical and mental health now compared to ... Read out:

- When you were first referred to Fit for Work [Scotland from sample]
- [Insert date of W1 interview]
- 1. Much better
- 2. Somewhat better
- 3. About the same
- 4. Somewhat worse
- 5. Much worse
- 6. Don't know

Base: all respondents

Q29 [S] Assuming that your ability to work at its best has a value of ten points and at its worst has a value of zero points, how many points would you give your current work ability?

- 1. Insert number [0-10 only]
- Don't know

Base: all currently working (code 1 at Q1)

Q30 [S] Are you currently ... Read out

- 1. In full-time employment, working 30 hours a week or more
- 2. In part-time employment, working less than 30 hours a week
- 3. Self-employed full-time, working 30 hours a week or more
- 4. Self-employed part-time, working less than 30 hours a week
- 5. Other (specify)

Base: those who are now working for a different employer or self-employed (codes 2-3 at Q4)

Q31 [O] What is your current occupation? What is the name or title of your job?

- 1. Open (capture current job SOC information)
- 2. Don't know

Base: those who are now working for a different employer or self-employed (codes 2-3 at Q4)

Q32 [O] What does your current employer mainly make or do?

Describe fully: Probe - Manufacturing, processing or distribution etc.; main goods produced; materials used; wholesale or retail; etc. We are aiming to visualise where someone works and what they do – if you can't visualise those things then you need to keep probing.

- 1. Open (capture current job SIC information)
- 2. Don't know

Base: those who are now working for a different employer or self-employed (code Q4 is 2 or 3)

Q33 [S] How many people are employed at your current organisation?

- 1. 1-9
- 2. 10-49
- 3. 50-249
- 4. 250-499
- 5. 500+
- 6. Don't know

Base: those who are now working for a different employer or self-employed (code Q4 is 2 or 3)

Q34 [S] Does your current employer provide you with occupational health support, that is professional advice and support provided by your employer about your health, well-being and fitness to work?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Not sure

Base: those who are now working for a different employer or self-employed (code Q4 is 2 or 3)

Q35 [S] Does your current employer provide sick pay, in addition to Statutory Sick Pay?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Not sure

Base: all respondents

Q36 [S] Which of these best describes your family situation? Do you ... Read Out

- 1. Have sole responsibility for looking after any children under 16
- 2. Have shared responsibility for looking after any children under 16
- 3. No responsibility for any children under 16
- 4. Refused

Base: all respondents

Q37 [S] Other than in a professional capacity, do you look after or give special help to anyone who is sick, disabled or elderly?

Add if necessary: The person or people you look after could be a relative, partner, child or friend, and it doesn't matter if you live with them or not.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- Refused

Permissions

Base: all respondents

Q38 [S] Our research partners the Institute for Employment Studies may wish to contact you again in about 6 months to find out how things are going. Would this be OK?

If necessary: This is likely to be more of a free-flowing discussion lasting about 20 minutes and would be by phone again. You will still be able to decline to participate at this point.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

Base: all respondents

Q39 [S] We would like to add the information you have provided today to the information you provided when you were in contact with Fit for Work [Scotland], such as the aspects of the service you used and information about yourself. This will help us greatly when we analyse the survey results. Your details will remain confidential and anonymous and would be merged with hundreds of other cases. Do you agree?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

Research Tools Appendix 3 Fit for Work Employer Survey

Survey of employers who have referred an employee to the Fit for Work service, an occupational health scheme intended to get people back to work from long-term sickness.

Awareness of the Service/Process of Referral

Ask all

Q1 [S] Can I just confirm, have you heard of the Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland service? *Interviewers code YES if at introduction respondent demonstrated they knew the scheme.*

If no or don't know, read out this description before entering don't know code:

Fit for Work is a free occupational health and advice service for employees on long-term sick leave aimed at helping them back to work. From our records it looks like your organisation either referred one of your employees or received a Return to Work Plan from Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No (Close interview)
- Don't know/can't remember (Close interview)

Ask aware of service (code a at Q1)

Q2 [M] What contact has your organisation had with the service? If you are in an organisation with multiple sites please think about any contact you know about at this particular site. Has it... Read out and code all that apply.

- 1. Made a referral for an employee? If YES: How many?
- 2. Received a Return to Work Plan (RtWP) for an employee referred by your organisation? If YES: How many? Can only be equal to or less than number at 2A.
- 3. Received a Return to Work Plan for an employee referred by a GP. If YES: How many?
- 4. Had other contact (please specify)? Ask Q3-5. Then jump to Q34/35 and then to Q44, unless coded YES at Q2 a/b/c
- 5. [S] No, I have not made a referral or received a Return to Work Plan (CLOSE)
- 6. [S] Don't know (Ask Q3-5 before jumping to Q34/35 and then Q44)

Ask all except those who have not made a referral or received a Return to Work Plan, including: don't know/other (all except Q2/Code E)

Q3 [M] How did you first hear about Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland? Do not read out but code all that apply.

- 1. Emails and/or online marketing from Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland
- 2. Direct telephone marketing from Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland
- 3. Via occupational health, human resources or HR services/departments or providers
- 4. Training courses, conferences or other external events
- 5. From head office
- 6. From an employee
- 7. When we received a Return to Work Plan for an employee
- 8. My/our own research
- 9. Other (Please specify)
- 10. Can't remember

Q4 THERE IS NO Q4

Ask all except those who have not made a referral or received a Return to Work Plan, including: don't know/other (all except Q2/Code E)

Q5 [S] How well informed do you feel about the following? Read out. Note that all those coded D and F at Q2 now go to Q34/35 and then Q44. All those coded B and NOT A at Q2, now go to Q11.

- 1. Who is eligible for the service?
- 2. The remit of the service?
- 3. The referral process?
- 4. Explaining the service to your employees and asking for their consent to make a referral?

Very well informed, fairly well informed, not very well informed, not at all informed (don't know)

All those who initiated a referral (Q2 YES/Code A)

Q6 [M] Why did you decide to use the service in the first place? Any other reason? Do not read out but code all that apply.

- 1. To speed up an employee's return to work
- 2. To have workplace adjustments suggested
- 3. To have a medical professional assess the health condition of an employee
- 4. To have an independent certification
- 5. Employee requested referral
- 6. It is free to use
- 7. Other (Please specify)
- 8. Can't remember

Q7 THERE IS NO Q7

Q8 THERE IS NO Q8

Ask all those who initiated a referral (Q2 YES/Code A)

Q9 [S] Thinking about the employee(s) you have thought about referring to the service, how have they generally reacted when you have sought their consent to refer? Overall, were they... Read out and code one only.

- 1. Happy to give their consent
- 2. Reluctantly gave their consent
- 3. Or did they refuse consent?
- 4. Other (*Please specify*)
- 5. Mixed reaction (Some happy, others reluctant etc.)
- 6. Don't know/can't remember

Ask all those who initiated a referral (Q2 YES/Code A)

Q10 [M] In what ways, if any, could the referral process be improved? Any other ways? Do not read out but code all that apply

- 1. More space on online form to provide details/answer questions
- 2. More information on next steps and timings
- 3. Other (Please specify)
- 4. None no improvements needed
- 5. Don't know/can't remember

Contact with the Service

Ask all those who have had contact with the FfW Service (Q2/Code A, B, or C)

Q11 [S] Thinking about the employee who (most recently) used the service and to your knowledge had an assessment, did you or your organisation have any contact with the case manager from Fit for Work (Scotland – from sample) undertaking the assessment? ... Read out and code one only.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No.
- 3. Don't know/Unsure

Ask all who had no contact with that case manager or weren't sure (Q11/Code B or C) – Route around this question if single case only at Q2B

Q12 [S] Have you had contact with any case managers relating to other cases in the last 6 months? ... Read out and code one only.

- 1. Yes (After coding YES, read out) I'd now like to talk about the most recent contact you had with a case manager.
- 2. No
- Don't know/Unsure

Ask all who had contact with a case manager (YES/Code A at Q11 or YES/Code A Q12)

Q13 [S] Who initiated this contact? Was it ... Read out and code one only.

- 1. Your organisation
- 2. Or Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland?
- 3. Don't know/Unsure

Ask all who had contact with a case manager (YES/Code A at Q11 or YES/Code A Q12)

Q14 [S] When did this contact take place? Was it ... Read out and code one only.

- 1. Before your organisation received the Return to Work Plan
- 2. After your organisation received the Return to Work Plan
- 3. Or both before and after?
- 4. Don't know/Unsure

Ask all who had contact with a case manager (YES/Code A at Q11 or YES/Code A Q12)

Q15 [M] What was the nature of this contact? ... Do not read out but code all that apply.

- 1. Discussing practicalities of recommendations made in Return to Work Plan
- 2. Receiving an update on the progress of the case
- 3. Providing further information about employee's work environment and role
- 4. Discussing existing occupational health provision
- 5. Signposting to third parties
- 6. Discussing case history
- 7. Contacted by Fit for Work because couldn't reach employee (*If coded G, only route around Q16/17 come back in at Q20*)
- 8. Other (Please specify)
- 9. Don't know

Ask all who had contact with a case manager (YES/Code A at Q11 or YES/Code A Q12)

Q16 [S] Were you/your organisation satisfied with the outcome of this contact? Were you ... Read out but code one only.

- 1. Very satisfied
- 2. Fairly satisfied
- 3. Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied
- 4. Fairly dissatisfied
- 5. Or very dissatisfied
- 6. Don't know/can't remember

Ask all who had contact with a case manager (YES/Code A at Q11 or YES/Code A Q12)

Q17 [S] How much of the information you wanted were you able to access from the case manager? Read out and code one only.

- 1. All
- 2. Some
- 3. None
- 4. Don't know/Unsure

Q18 THERE IS NO Q18

Ask all who had no contact with a case manager (NO/don't know/Code B or C at Q12)

Q19 [M] What, if anything, would you/your organisation have liked the opportunity to discuss with a case manager? Do not read out but code all that apply.

- 1. Discussing practicalities of recommendations made in Return to Work Plan
- 2. Receiving an update on the progress of the case
- 3. Providing further information about employee's work environment and role
- 4. Discussing existing occupational health provision
- 5. Signposting to third parties
- 6. Discussing case history
- 7. Other (Please specify)
- 8. Don't know
- 9. Nothing/didn't want contact

Return to Work Plan

Ask all who received a Return to Work Plan (Q2/code B or C) – other go to Q34

Q20 [S] Have you received Return to Work Plans for all of the employees who have been referred to the service, whether by your organisation or by a GP? Read out and code one only.

- 1. Yes, for all
- 2. No, only for some
- 3. Don't know/Unsure

Ask all who only received a Return to Work Plan for some employees (Q20/code B)

Q21 [M] Do you know why you have not received a plan for some people? Do not read out but code all that apply.

- 1. Employee not consented to sharing plan
- 2. Too soon, recent referral
- 3. Could not access the plan (e.g. due to IT issues)
- 4. Other (*Please specify*)
- 5. Don't know/Unsure

Ask all who only received a Return to Work Plan for some employees (Q20/code B)

Q22 [S] Would you have liked a plan to have been shared with you in these cases?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No.
- Don't know/Unsure
- 4. Not relevant, recent referral

Ask those who received a Return to Work Plan via a GP referral (Q2/code C)

Q23 [S] Thinking about the most recent Return to Work Plan you received, did you/ your organisation make the referral to the service in this instance or did it come from a GP?

- 1. Employer made referral
- 2. GP made referral
- Don't know/Unsure

Ask those who have not done a referral (Q2/not coded A)

Q24 [S] Were you aware that employers could refer employees to the service? Read out and code one only.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know/Unsure

Ask all who have received a Return to Work Plan (YES at Q2/code B or C)

Q25 [S] Again thinking about then most recent Return to Work plan you received, was this first sent by Fit For Work/Fit for Work Scotland to the most appropriate person in your organisation? *Read out and code one only.*

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- Don't know/Unsure

Ask all who received a Return to Work Plan (YES at Q2/code B or C)

Q26 [S] Were there recommendations in that plan for you/your organisation? *Read out and code one only.*

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know/Unsure

Ask those who did not have recommendations in the Return to Work Plan (Code B at Q26)

Q27 [S] Would you have liked to receive recommendations in the plan for you/your organisation? We are thinking about the most recent plan received. *Read out and code one only.*

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- Don't know/Unsure

Ask all who had recommendations in the Return to Work Plan (YES/code A at Q26)

Q28 [S] On paper, how helpful were the recommendations with a view to facilitating your employees' return to work? Please think about the actual recommendations that were made regardless of the outcome. Were they... Read out and code one only.

- 1. Very helpful
- 2. Fairly helpful
- 3. Neither helpful nor unhelpful
- 4. Fairly unhelpful
- 5. Very unhelpful
- 6. Don't know

Ask all who had recommendations in the Return to Work Plan (YES/code A at Q26)

Q29 [S] To what extent were these recommendations implemented by your organisation? *Read out and code one only.*

- 1. Fully
- 2. Partially
- 3. Not at all
- 4. Don't know/unsure GO TO Q33

Ask those who fully or partially implemented the recommendations (Code A or B at Q29)

Q30 [M] Which recommendations were acted on? Did they include ... Read out and code all that apply. Scripting: rotate order.

- Phased Return to Work
- 2. Amended Duties
- 3. Altered Hours
- 4. Workplace Adaptations
- 5. Alternative Work
- 6. And were any other recommendations made in the plan that were acted on by your organisation? (*Please specify*)
- 7. Don't know/unsure

Ask all who did not implement all recommendations (codes B and C at Q29)

Q31 [M] Which recommendations were not acted on? Did they include ... Read out and code all that apply.

- 1. Phased Return to Work
- 2. Amended Duties
- 3. Altered Hours
- 4. Workplace Adaptations
- 5. Alternative Work
- 6. And were any other recommendations made in the plan that were acted on by your organisation? (*Please specify*)
- 7. Don't know/unsure

Ask all who did not implement all recommendations (codes B and C at Q29)

Q32 [M] Why were these recommendations not implemented? Do not read out but code all that apply.

- 1. Couldn't deliver in my work context/delivery not practicable
- 2. Recommendation(s) cost too much
- 3. Employee did not want action taken
- 4. Employee had already returned to work when recommendations were received
- 5. Employee was not ready to return to work when recommendations were received
- 6. Recommendations would not benefit the employee
- 7. Recommendations still under consideration
- 8. Will action shortly
- 9. Not enough detail or guidance
- 10. Not had time to implement everything yet
- 11. Other (Please specify)
- 12. No specific reason
- 13. Don't know

Ask all who had recommendations in the Return to Work Plan (YES/code A a Q26)

Q33 [S] To what extent did you liaise with your employee about these recommendations? Was it ... Read out and code one only.

- 1. To a large extent
- 2. To some extent
- Not at all
- 4. Don't know/unsure

Ask all

Q34 [S] Employers can qualify for a tax exemption of up to £500 (per year, per employee) on medical treatments recommended to help their employees return to work. This will be applicable to treatments recommended by health professionals within Fit for Work and health professionals within employer-arranged occupational health services.

Which of the following statements applies to this organisation? *Read out and code one only.*

- 1. We have used this tax exemption in the past
- 2. We are aware of this tax exemption but not used it in the past
- 3. We are not aware of this tax exemption at all
- 4. Don't know/Unsure

Ask all

Q35 [S] Would you consider this tax exemption to fund medical treatments to help employees get back to work?

Read out and code all that apply.

- 1. Yes definitely
- 2. Yes possible
- 3. No
- 4. Not applicable Do not read out
- 5. Don't know/Unsure

Overall

Ask all who have used the service (i.e. coded Q2/code A, B or C)

Q36 [S] Please think about the employee who has most recently been through the service. To what extent do you agree that the advice provided by Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland has helped or will help your employee to better manage their health condition(s)? Read out and code one only.

- 1. Strongly agree
- 2. Agree
- 3. Neither agree nor disagree
- 4. Disagree
- 5. Strongly disagree
- 6. Don't know/too early to say
- 7. Not applicable If code G ask Q37 but skip Q38/Q39 and code D at Q43

Ask all who have used the service (i.e. coded Q2/code A, B or C)

Q37 [S] Is this employee now back at work? Read out and code one only.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No employee has not returned yet
- 3. No employee has left their job Do not ask Q38/39 if coded C
- 4. Don't know/unsure

Ask all who have used the service (i.e. coded Q2/codes A, B or C). Don't ask if code Q36 code G. Do not ask if code C at Q37.

Q38 [S] What has been or will be the effect of the advice provided by Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland on your employee's ability to go back to work? Read out and code one only. SCRIPTING please vary wording – has or will – to reflect response at Q37

- 1. It has helped/will help my employee to go back to work <u>quicker</u> than they would have done otherwise
- 2. It has made/will make <u>no difference</u> to the time it has taken or will take my employee to go back to work
- 3. It has meant/will mean that my employee has taken <u>longer</u> to go back to work than they would have done otherwise
- 4. Don't know/too early to say

Ask all who have used the service (i.e. coded Q2/codes A, B or C). Don't ask if code Q36 code G. Do not ask if code C at Q37.

Q39 [S] What has been or will be the effect of the advice provided by Fit for Work/ Fit for Work Scotland on employee's ability to remain in work following their return? Select one option. Read out. SCRIPTING – vary working to reflect response at previous question.

- 1. It has helped/will help my employee to remain in work longer than they would have done otherwise
- 2. It has made/will make no difference to my employee's ability to sustain themselves in work
- 3. It has had/will have a detrimental impact on my employee's ability to remain in work
- 4. Don't know/too early to say

Ask all who have used the service (i.e. coded Q2/codes A, B or C)

Q40 [S] Would you use the Fit for Work service in future? Would you say ... Read out and code one only.

- 1. Definitely
- 2. Probably
- 3. Possibly
- 4. Definitely not
- 5. Don't know/too early to say

Ask all who have used the service (i.e. coded Q2/codes A, B or C)

Q41 [S] Are there any improvements you like to see made to the service? Read out and code one only.

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- Don't know/Unsure

Ask all who would like to see improvements (Q41/code A)

Q42 [M] What improvements would you like to see? Anything else? Do not read out but code all that apply.

- 1. More communication between the case managers and employers
- 2. Help with implementing recommendations
- 3. Better outcomes from using the service
- 4. Recommendations that are more realistic and achievable
- 5. Advice more tailored to work environment and nature of role
- 6. Advice more tailored to nature of employee's health condition
- 7. Able to refer employee before they have been on sick leave for 4 consecutive weeks
- 8. Compulsory for employee to engage with the service
- 9. Compulsory for employee to share Return to Work Plan
- 10. Other (Please specify)
- 11. Don't know/unsure

Fit for Work Customer Satisfaction Questions

Ask all who have used the service (i.e. coded Q2/codes A, B or C)

Q43 [S] The next few questions refer to your satisfaction with Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland. Looking back, how satisfied are you with the following aspects of Fit for Work? *Rotate A to D.*

- Very satisfied
- Fairly satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied
- Fairly dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied
- Don't know/can't remember
- 1. How satisfied are you that the service was easy to use?
- 2. If answered YES to Q2/B or C: How satisfied are you that the recommendations in the most recent RtWP you received appropriately addressed the return to work needs of your employee (including work, health and social issues)?
- 3. How satisfied are you that the most recent Return to Work Plan you received was deliverable?
- 4. How satisfied are you that you felt able to trust the advice provided by the service? Code D DO NOT ASK if code Q36 code G

Employer Characteristics

Ask all

Q44 [S] Finally a few questions about your organisation (across all operating sites). How many full-time equivalent employees do you currently have across the organisation? Please include yourself, all others on your payroll and any working proprietors or owners, but exclude the self-employed and outside contractor or agency staff. Ask for estimate across all sites of the organisation if multi-site.

- 1. 1-9
- 2. 10-49
- 3. 50-249
- 4. 250-499
- 5. 500+
- 6. Don't know

Ask all

Q45 [S] In which industry does your organisation operate? *Prompt to precode if needed*

- 1. Energy, utilities, agriculture and the environment
- 2. Manufacturing, engineering, property management and construction
- 3. Science and pharmaceuticals
- 4. Hospitality, leisure services and sport
- 5. Retail, marketing, advertising and PR
- 6. Transport, logistics, IT and communications
- 7. Business services A: accountancy, banking, finance and insurance
- 8. Business services B: law, consultancy, management, recruitment and HR
- 9. Public administration and services: government, civil service, education, health, social work, armed forces and emergency services
- 10. Creative arts, culture, entertainment, media and publishing
- 11. Other (Please specify)
- 12. Don't know

Ask all

Q46 [S] Would you classify your organisation as one...? Read out and code one only.

- MAINLY seeking to make a profit
- 2. A charity or voluntary sector organisation or a social enterprise
- 3. A local-government financed body (*Add if necessary*: such as a service provided or funded by the council such as leisure centres, social care, waste or environmental health services)
- 4. A central government financed body (*Add if necessary*: such as the Civil Service, any part of the NHS, a college or university, the Armed Services, an Executive Agency or other non-departmental public bodies)
- 5. Or none of the above? (Please specify)

Ask all

Q47 [S] Does your organisation have existing in-house or contracted Occupational Health services? *Read out and code one only.*

- 1. Yes in-house
- 2. Yes contracted to external providers
- 3. No
- 4. Don't know/Unsure

Ask all

Q48 [S] The next two questions relate to long-term sick leave, defined as 4 weeks or more, within your organisation. To what extent do you agree with the following statements? Read out and code one only. SCRIPTING rotate statements.

STATEMENTS

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know
- 1. The level of long-term sick leave is high within the organisation
- 2. Long-term sick leave is well managed within the organisation

Q49 THERE IS NO Q49

Responsibilities within Organisation relating to the Fit for Work service

Q50 THERE IS NO Q50

Ask all

Q51 [M] Who within your organisation would have responsibility for <u>making referrals</u> to the Fit for Work service? If respondent says 'themselves' then ask for their job title and code to precodes (do not read out but code all that apply).

- 1. Employee's line manager
- 2. HR in centralised office
- 3. HR in branch office
- 4. Only show if coded at Q47B: Occupational health professional (contracted)
- 5. Only show if coded at Q47A: Occupational health professional (in-house)
- 6. Health and safety officers
- 7. Other (Please specify)
- 8. Don't know

Thank and close.

Research Tools Appendix 4 Employer Interviews Discussion Guide

Introduction

Could you please provide a brief overview of:

- 1. Your organisation
- 2. Your job role and responsibilities? *Probe for line management responsibilities of employee (where consent given)*
- 3. Is long-term sick leave (e.g. four weeks or more) a particular problem within your organisation? What are the (operational) consequences of this?
- 4. Existence of in-house or contracted occupational health services and current use/impact of this

Awareness of Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland

What do you know about Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland? How did you first hear about it?

Researcher Note:

To be eligible for referral into Fit for Work an individual must be employed, have reached (or be expected to reach by their GP) four weeks of sickness absence, have a reasonable likelihood of making at least a phased return to work, have not been referred to a FfW assessment in the last 12 months and received an RtWP and lastly have provided consent to be referred.

Who do you think is eligible for the service? Probe on employee, off work (or at risk of being off work for GP referrals) for four weeks or more with capacity to return in three months, not referred in the previous 12 months and consented to be part of the service.

To what extent do you feel confident about outlining the service to your employees and gaining their consent to refer?

If employer has OH provision: How (if at all) did you anticipate that Fit for Work could help over and above your existing occupational health provision?

Referral

Have you referred any of your employees to Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland? *Clarify whether one/multiple employees*

Following questions for employers who have referred only:

Why did you make a referral? What support were you hoping to get from the service? *Probe whether employee requested a referral*

How has the referral process worked in practice? Have you been able to use your preferred means of referral?

In your experience, are there any downsides or disadvantages to the referral process?

Non-employer referrals

What was the first you knew about your employee's referral to Fit for Work? Probe for whether they knew about the referral before they received a Return to Work Plan etc.; clarify whether they have one/multiple employees who have been referred by their GP.

How did you feel about this? Have you discussed Fit for Work with your employee and the reasons for referral? And what they/you hope to get out of this?

Contact with Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland

Have you/your organisation had any contact with the case manager undertaking your employee's assessment?

For employers who have had contact with Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland

What form did this take? What (if any) expectations did you have, and do you feel these were met? *Probe:*

- Whether the contact happened before or after they received a copy of the RtWP
- 2. Whether most appropriate person in the organisation was spoken to
- 3. What was discussed/the nature of the discussion
- 4. Whether had any input to the recommendations that were being made
- 5. Value/impact of this contact (inc. contribution to return to work)

For employers who have not had contact with Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland:

Would you have liked to have talked to the case manager before/after receiving the RtWP?

If so, what would you have liked the opportunity to discuss?

Return to Work Plan

Have you received a Return to Work Plan for this employee? Clarify whether they have received other RtWPs for other employees.

For employers who have received a Return to Work Plan

Who within your organisation was the plan shared with? Do you feel this was the most appropriate person to share the plan with?

Were there recommendations in the plan for you/your organisation? What were these?

Do you feel that these recommendations were realistic and achievable?

Where they helpful? Did they come up with suggestions that you had not thought of?

What if any workplace adjustments did the Return to Work Plan suggest? e.g. temporary or permanent reduction of hours/duties, adjustable height desk or workbench, change of duties? If yes, what were your views on this?

Researcher Note:

Employers can qualify for a tax exemption on payments of up to £500 per employee per tax year where the employer funds the costs of medical treatments recommended by a healthcare professional as part of either Fit for Work or any employer-arranged occupational health service.

Would you consider using the tax exemption to fund medical treatments? Why/ why not?

What proportions of the recommendations have you been able to enact? Which recommendations have you (not) acted on?

If all - how easy was it to deliver these?

Where partial, why, in your view, were you able to address some and not others? *Probe on cost, ease, perceived relevance etc.*

Where you were not able to act on certain recommendations in the Return to Work Plan, did you have any (further) interactions with a case manager/the service?

If yes, what was the outcome of this?

Where you could not enact certain recommendations, did you discuss with the employee why this was the case?

To what extent were you able to support your employee with their own recommendations?

Have you used the Return to Work Plan in place of a Fit Note? In your view, what are the differences? *Probe whether they had any reservations about accepting the Statement of Fitness for Work element in place of a fit note.*

Are you planning to provide/have you provided any support to your employee which was not suggested in their Return to Work Plan? What?

Impact(s) of Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland

What benefits of Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland to your employee have you identified?

If employee is back at work, How do you feel the recommendations that are being delivered are helping your employee?

If employee is not back at work, When do you anticipate your employee will return to work? Will they be given additional support outside of the Return to Work Plan?

What feedback, if any, do you have? Is there more you feel could be done by you/your employee/the service?

In your view, what are the key benefits of the service for you as an employer/your organisation? *Probe on:*

- 1. Reduction in sickness absence duration or reoccurrence; changes or improvements to sickness absence policies
- 2. Reduction in staff turnover
- 3. Any (other) cost savings
- 4. Operational benefits (improved staffing availability, more predictable staffing levels, better customer service)
- 5. Better access to occupational health advice and services

- 6. More positive actions taken within the organisation regarding to support health at work
- 7. Change in attitudes around work and health
- 8. Benefits for wider workforce

Are there other (wider) benefits you have identified that we have not touched on?

Fit for Work advice service

Are you aware of the Fit for Work advice services? Probe on advice line, advice hub, live chat.

Following questions only for those who are aware of the advice service

Have you used any of the advice services of Fit for Work? Probe whether before/during/after engagement with the assessment service

If yes: What reasons did you seek advice from Fit for Work for? How useful did you find this advice?

What aspects of the advice service were particularly helpful or valuable? What improvements could be made?

Overall

Without Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland, what would you have turned to? In what ways (if any) do you feel it duplicates in-house/contracted OH services, or other provision?

Where appropriate, how did Fit for Work communicate with and/or provide support to any existing occupational health support already available to your employees?

How (if at all) has engaging with Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland reduced or increased the burden on you as an employer?

What do you anticipate your uptake of the service will be in future? Are you likely to make any (more) referrals? Why is this?

What would need to change for you to be in a position to make more referrals in future? *Probe about aspects of service VS wider/local context*

How do you think Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland could be improved (if at all)? *Probe on marketing, feedback about patients, communication, access issues.*

Research Tools Appendix 5 Employee Interviews Discussion Guide

Background Information

Are you currently in work? Probe whether off sick but still employed, returned to work (during/post using Fit for Work; same/different job role; same/different employer) or out of work/inactive

What is your current/most recent job role? Probe on:

- 1. Who work for (sector and size of employer)
- 2. Type of work (job role and main responsibilities)
- 3. Hours, (p-t/f-t)
- 4. Length of service/job duration

Immediately before your referral to Fit for Work, what were your circumstances regarding:

- 1. Nature of health conditions(s), how long you had experienced it for
- 2. Relationship with employer and/or work colleagues
- 3. Any other reasons why it was hard to stay in work (family, finances, housing)

How long had you been experiencing these problems/circumstances?

How long had you been on sick leave, and at what point were you referred to Fit for Work? *Probe, whether reasons for recurrent sickness absence are the same or different conditions*

What were your hopes or expectations about your ability to stay in/return to work at that time?

Contact with Fit for Work

When and how did you first hear about Fit for Work (assessment service)? Probe on how learned about the service (GP, employer, OH, colleagues, other word of mouth, radio, online)

Were you referred to the service by your GP or your employer? How did that referral come about? *Probe whether employee requested that they be referred*

Would you have preferred to refer yourself to Fit for Work?

Why were you referred to Fit for Work? *Probe on muscle, joint and/or back pain, stress, anxiety, depression, workplace issue, other reasons*

What information were you given about the service? What were your first impressions of the service based on this information?

In your view, how well did your GP/employer outline the service to you? Is there any more information you would have liked? *Probe for details*

To what extent do you feel it was your choice to use the service? *Probe whether they felt they were able to/did give fully informed consent.*

How did you think Fit for Work might be able to help you? What were your reasons for choosing to use the service? *Probe on:*

- 1. Support with health conditions/other obstacles
- 2. Support in returning to work
- 3. Referrals or signposting to other services
- 4. Help liaising with employer (any expectations of advocacy/mediation?)
- 5. Any other reasons?

Did you have any concerns about using Fit for Work? What were these?

Fit for Work: Assessment

After your referral, what was your first contact with Fit for Work? Probe on:

- 1. How (telephone/face-to-face)
- 2. Who did you speak to (healthcare professional, specialist in your condition/issue(s))
- 3. Did you have your assessment straight away or was it booked in for a later date?

How did you feel about having your assessment via telephone/face-to-face? *Probe on feelings before and after assessment*

For those who received a face-to-face assessment

How did the provision for face-to-face assessment work? *Probe whether within 90 minutes travel, in appropriate premises, private, adjustments made (where necessary)*Ask All

Was the assessment conducted at a convenient time for you?

What did you think about the assessment itself? How did that work? *Probe for length of assessment and views on this.*

During the assessment, did you feel able to talk about a wide range of issues? Did your conversation focus just on physical/mental health issues or did you talk about other obstacles to returning to work? Probe for support/advice with health employment and social aspects inc. attitudinal responses

If yes How effective was this approach? Did the case manager help you identify things that were stopping you getting back to work? Do you feel the conversation allowed you to consider various reasons for being off work that may otherwise have been hidden or not at the top of your mind?

To what extent did you discuss how your attitude towards your health condition/other obstacles affected your ability to work?

What did you think of the approach of your case manager/the person conducting the assessment? *Probe on tone/approach used during assessment*

Did you feel you had enough time to talk through all your concerns and circumstances?

Do you feel that case manager/the healthcare professional you spoke to had a good understanding of your workplace environment? And health condition/other obstacles? Did you feel confident in them to give you advice?

Did the case manager/person conducting the assessment have any contact with your employer/occupational health provider at this stage?

If yes What did you expect would happen as a result? Were you happy with this approach?

If no Do you feel that this would have been valuable? Would you have welcomed this?

Did you have one or more than one assessment? If yes, How many assessments? Was your second and/or third assessment face-to-face? If multiple probe for any changes/differences between assessments e.g. new obstacles, new advice or recommendations

To what extent did your assessment meet any expectations that you had? Why?

At the same time as you were in contact with Fit for Work, did you receive help from anyone else? Probe for support from family and friends, employer, any OH service, GP, health services, trade union, third sector organisations, any other services

If yes What are your views on the value of this support?

Fit for Work: Return to Work Plan

We would now like to ask you a little about the recommendations you were given and your Return to Work Plan.

Do you recall receiving a Return to Work Plan?

How did your case manager talk through recommendations to you? Did you agree aims and timings?

Did you feel part of developing your plan? Did have an input into ways of overcoming the obstacles?

Did you see the point of a plan?

What were your views on your Return to Work Plan? Did it meet your expectations of what you would receive?

Have you previously received a Fit Note? How did the Return to Work Plan compare?

What did you think of the recommendations in your Return to Work Plan? Do you feel they were realistic and achievable? *Probe if RtWP suggested reduction of hours/duties/changed duties and whether permanent or temporary* How did you feel about this?

Were you given any information (booklets, leaflets, website addresses) about health and work, or about your particular health problem?

Were you signposted to other services or professionals through your RtWP? *Probe for health services, employment services, debt/welfare advice, housing services*

If yes: Did you go on to use those other services/professionals? If appropriate, probe whether self-referred or referred by GP, ease of referral, length of referral process

Did you feel they were suitable/helpful? Do you feel you may have gone on to use those services/professionals without the input of Fit for Work?

Did you receive more than one RtWP? *If yes*, why and how did later experiences/plan(s) differ from your first experience?

What parts of the Return to Work Plan do you see as most valuable or helpful? And unhelpful?

Did you have any further contact with your case manager about the progress on your Return to Work Plan, or to see if you had returned to work? *Probe on method of contact, and whether employee got in contact with Fit for Work when prompted by email/text*

Have you been required to submit the summary of your Return to Work Plan to your employer to certify your absence? *Probe on what employees had to submit, whether they were also asked for a Fit Note*

Did you choose to share your Return to Work Plan with your GP and/or employer? Why? The whole plan or just certain obstacles and recommendations? How did you decide what (not) to share?

Researcher Note: The following questions are only applicable for participants who chose to share their Return to Work Plan

When did you decide to share your plan? At end of assessment, after opportunity to see it – probe whether sharing RtWP without telling the service

How was your Return to Work Plan shared? Did your case manager talk to your line manager/employer, or your GP, or your family?

How did your employer react to the plan?

In what ways (if any) has your employer acted on the recommendations in your RtWP? How did this come about? *Probe whether passive/active?*

If employee has returned to work Did your employer continue to act on recommendations in your plan once you had returned to work?

Have you talked to your GP about your plan? Has anything happened as a result?

Were there recommendations that were not acted on? Why was this? Did you approach Fit for Work/your case manager for support or advice about this?

If sought support from Fit for Work, probe on views of this support, how met expectations

Do you feel that you returned to work more/less quickly than you would have done without using Fit for Work? What are your reasons for coming to that conclusion?

Fit for Work 'Drop Outs' [Only those who have not received a Return to Work Plan]

At what point did you stop using the service? What were your reasons for this? Probe on return to work, lack of engagement with referral/changed mind about referral, received level of advice desired before receiving RtWP, assessment or staff perceived as unhelpful

What (if anything) would have needed to change for you to have continued using the service?

Fit for Work: Discharge

What was your experience of leaving Fit for Work? Probe on:

- 1. Discharge process
- 2. Follow-up Probe on customer satisfaction questions

Fit for Work Advice Line

Are you aware of the Fit for Work advice services? *Probe on advice line, advice hub, live chat*

Researcher Note: Following questions only for those who are aware of the advice service

Have you used any of the advice services of Fit for Work? Probe whether before/during/after engagement with the assessment service

If yes: What reasons did you seek advice from Fit for Work for? How useful did you find this advice?

What aspects of the advice service were particularly helpful or valuable? What improvements could be made?

Overall Views on Fit for Work

What did you think of the support received from Fit for Work overall? *Probe on:*

- 1. What has been particularly helpful or valuable about the service?
- 2. What has been unhelpful or disappointing?
- 3. What are your views on the independence and quality of the service?
- 4. Was there any other help you would have liked that was not offered to you?
- 5. Do you have any suggestions about changes to Fit for Work?

Did you need to make a complaint at any point when using the service? *If yes*, Why was this, and how was this handled?

Without Fit for Work, what other service(s), provision or support might you have used in its place?

Current Circumstances and Expectations

We would now like to hear a little about your current circumstances.

Researcher Note:

Refer back to participant's answers to Question FIRST ABOUT HEALTH CONDITION Since making contact with Fit for Work, in what ways have there been changes in the following:

1. Your health (impact of health on daily life, changes to management of health condition or belief you can manage it, prognosis)

- 2. Your ability to work
- 3. Your perception of being able to stay in work/return to work (physically, emotionally)
- 4. Your beliefs about the benefits of work on health?
- 5. Relationships with your employer and/or work colleagues
- 6. Other circumstances (family, finances, housing)

What factors and/or services have helped bring about these changes?

To what extent (if any) has your involvement with Fit for Work brought about these changes? What particular aspect(s) of the service brought about this impact? *Probe for specific value of Return to Work Plan and/or assessment*

Is there anything else that Fit for Work or anyone else could have done to help you manage your health condition and help you do your job?

What are your current thoughts about work? Probe on:

- 1. Is anything making it difficult to stay in work/return to work at the moment?
- 2. What would help you now to stay at work/return to work?
- 3. What are your hopes/expectations about staying in work/returning to work in the longer term?

Finally overall, what are your thoughts and feelings about your current situation? *Probe on:*

- 1. Happy, content, frustrated, disappointed why?
- 2. Comparing current situation with your situation when you first made contact with Fit for Work?

Thank and Close

Research Tools Appendix 6 GP Interviews Discussion Guide

A: Awareness of the service (all) – 2 mins

Confirm that they are talking about the Assessment service.

- 1. How and when did you first hear about Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland? Probe on engagement with practice, GPs, practice manager
- 2. What did you understand about the service? Who do you think is eligible for the service? Probe on employee (not unemployed or self-employed), off work (or at risk of being off work) for four weeks or more, not referred in the previous 12 months and consented to be part of the service
- 3. How confident do you feel in explaining the service to your patients and asking for their consent to make a referral?

B: Referrals (all) - 5 mins

Have you referred any of your patients to the service?

If referring GP, prompt whether just once or more than once and go to question 10

Following questions non-referring GPs only

If No, why have you not used the service? *Probe on:*

- 1. Size of eligible/relevant population (explore high/low roster, level of local unemployment), views on eligibility criteria
- 2. Frequency of contact with appropriate patients
- 3. Level/nature of non-consent to referral (explore whether they try to persuade patients)
- 4. Awareness/visibility of Fit for Work alongside alternative services on offer
- 5. Experience of (trying) to use the service
- 6. Don't understand how the service works
- 7. General view/perception of the service
- 8. Patient advocacy
- 9. Do not see work as a clinical issue
- 10. Lack of time
- 11. Other reasons

Are there eligible patients you choose not to refer? Why is this?

Go to Section C

Following questions for referring GPs only

If yes, in your experience, how does the referral process work? How easy is it to make a referral? Are you able to use your preferred means of referral? *Probe on format of referral including digital means, who makes the referral...*

How do you decide who to refer? Probe on:

- 1. What types of patients have you been referring and why?
- 2. Which patients do not want to be referred and why? *Probe whether they try to persuade their patients*.

Note: for GPs that have only referred once, make sure to explore both why they referred in the first instance, and why they have not gone on to refer more patients.

Have you referred patients to the service when you felt they were *at risk* of being off work for four weeks or more [i.e. where a patient had been off work for fewer than four weeks but where you expected them to reach four weeks off work]? Why was this?

Without the option of Fit for Work, what action would you have taken for your patient(s)? Probe whether feel there is any duplication with existing services

In your view, why might other GPs not be referring their patients to Fit for Work?

C: Return to Work Plan(s) – 3 mins

Has one or more of your referred patients shared a Return to Work Plan with you? *If* NO, go to Section C. If YES:

Do you feel the plan was sensible and appropriate for your patient?

Did you find the plan useful? Why? Probe on views of usefulness to GP, patient, employer

Were the interventions suggested in the plan approaches that are familiar to you? *Probe degree to which GP would have taken these steps anyway*

What actions (if any) have you taken as a result of receiving a Return to Work Plan? E.g. referrals *Probe whether they have to wait for patient to pursue it, or whether they are able to be proactive*

If appropriate: To what extent do you fund follow-up interventions cited in the plan?

In your view, what (if any) is the additional value of a Return to Work Plan over and above a Fit Note? *Probe whether they feel the RtWP included workplace adjustments they might not have time to discuss/recommend, or provide*

Have you had any direct interactions with the service, or with your patients' employers related to Fit for Work? *Probe for how these interactions worked*

D: Benefits and challenges of Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland – 4 mins

Has Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland benefited your patients? How/why? For GPs referring more than once, probe on:

- 1. Has it helped any particular groups?
- 2. Any patients for whom it has been less successful? Why?

- 3. What have been the main benefits?
- 4. Whether benefits have been identified by GP or patient

In your view, what are the key benefits of Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland for you as a GP/your practice? Has Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland had any benefits for your practice? *Probe on:*

- 1. Reduced consultation times/number of consultations
- 2. Improved awareness of/access to available services, improved access to services
- 3. Support with occupational health advice
- 4. Improved relationships with patients
- 5. Improved understanding of the work context of advice on absence

How have your patients described their experience of Fit for Work to you? In your view are there any downsides or disadvantages to Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland? If so what are they? *Probe for disadvantages for patients and/or GP practice*

E: Overall (all – if time) – 3 mins

What do you anticipate your uptake of the service will be in future? Why is this?

What would need to change for you, your colleagues or GPs in general to be in a position to make more referrals in future? *Probe about aspects of service (referral process, eligibility criteria, IT functionality) VS wider/local context*

What are your views on employer referrals? Do you feel employees should be able to self-refer?

Have you discussed Fit for Work with other GPs or healthcare professionals? What was the nature/context of those discussions?

How do you think Fit for Work/Fit for Work Scotland could be improved (if at all)? *Probe on marketing, feedback about patients, communication, access issues*

Have you used any of the advice services from Fit for Work?

If yes: What reasons did you seek advice from Fit for Work for? How useful did you find this advice?

Could you explain how your practice's approach to writing Fit Notes works? Are you responsible for completing the first and all subsequent Fit Notes or are they written by other practice employees?

Thank and close.