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## Preventative Adaptation Schemes (PAS)

The Preventative Adaptation Scheme undertakes minor adaptations in people's homes installing things such as grab rails, stair rails, half steps or other safety features to give confidence when getting around the home.

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# Preventative Adaptation Schemes (PAS)

## Objective

- Enable people to stay safely in their own homes.
- To provide quick low cost provision of basic adaptations such as rails and steps to increase people's access to their home, garden and to prevent accidents.

## Activity

- PAS is provided through Home Improvement Agencies in each District of the County.
- PAS is integrated with the Home Improvement Agency and Home Handy Person scheme for a subsidised fee.

## Achievements against objectives

- 293 Adaptations have been completed in six months.

The case study below is taken from a monitoring form

*Mrs X - two half steps (front and back doors) and five grab rails (bathroom and front and back doors) were provided. Via First Contact referral Mrs X has also been seen by the police, the falls prevention scheme and the Mansfield Voluntary Services.*

Consequences of action taken, which *may* include (if appropriate to that particular service user):

*Mrs X stated she feels very happy to know she is able to access so many services via PAS. Mrs X stated she feels the level of care shown to her is wonderful. Mrs X stated she feels able to voice her opinion on health issues and was able to say what her needs were and have them met directly without need for lengthy assessment.*

*Mrs X stated she feels able to get out easier and feels safer using the bath. Mrs X stated she feels that this is something she feels will benefit her more in the longer term once the things she finds difficult. This is something which will enable Mrs X to remain independent in her own home, thus helping to maintain her health and life expectancy.*

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## Material wellbeing

*Mrs X states sometimes she cannot afford to go out and states this free service has helped her to enjoy community activities more due to the extra money. Previously Mrs X states she purchased her own adaptations.*

## Psychological well-being

*Mrs X stated the PAS scheme has made her feel very happy and no negatives at all.*

## Support and Care

*Mrs X stated her health is not the level where this is a concern. However Mrs X stated she feels the adaptations will help her to be safe at home in the future which is very good for peace of mind.*

## Fairness in work and later life

Was there any impact on:

*There was an impact on inactivity in that Mrs X was able to use the money she saved to enjoy community activities.*

## Independence in supportive communities

Were they helped to have:

- Voluntary Services;
- Police crime liaison officer;
- Falls prevention team;
- adaptations.

## Wider achievements

- Greater independence within the home.
- Responding to older people's stated needs provided at reduced cost to all service users.

## Resources

- Administration.
- Link to Home Handy Person's Schemes and Home Improvement Agencies.

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## Key lessons learned

- The schemes are very popular.
- People need quick, trusted provision of simple adaptations.
- People wish to make a contribution to work completed.
- The service can be provided quickly without in-depth assessment.
- The scheme prevents hospital admission.

## Further information

Ashfield 01623 457 402

Bassetlaw 01909 535 128

Broxtowe, Gedling and Rushcliffe 0115 977 5343

Mansfield 01623 457 402

Ref to website: [www.notts50plus.co.uk/search?search\\_terms=pas](http://www.notts50plus.co.uk/search?search_terms=pas)

## Related documents

See website above.