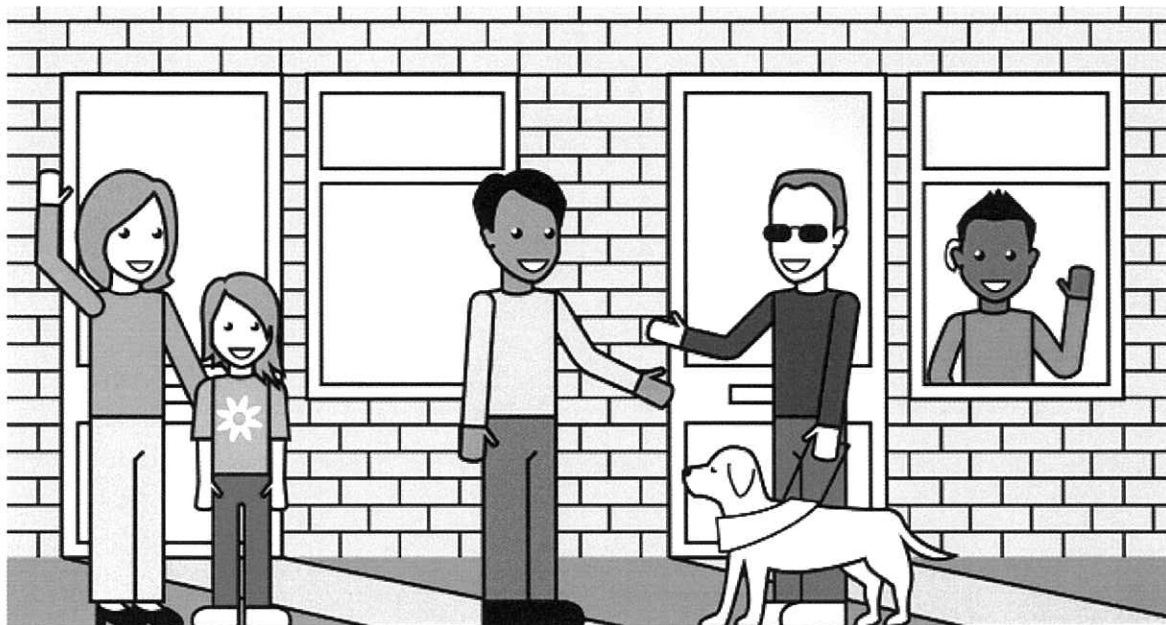


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Consultation about changing Disability Living Allowance to a new benefit

Tell us what you think

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Easy Read

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Work and Pensions

Questions

Question 1

What things stop disabled people joining in with other people and living full, active and independent lives?

Being able to leave the house on their own always
Having to have someone to make sure they are safe
memory loss Feeling frightened Fear of falling speech
problems unable to part in most things non disabled people can

Question 2

What parts of Disability Living Allowance do you think we should keep?

All parts disabled people don't claim unless they
have to, to make life easy they have to pay people
for the help they need.

Question 3

What extra things do disabled people need to spend money on?

Help with all parts of their care washing showering
making meals getting about ~~into~~ in the home also getting
around outside. Taking of tablets to help them forgetfulness
visits to Doctors and Hospitals

Question 4

The new benefit will have 2 amounts for each of the 2 parts of the benefit. Do you think this will make the benefit easier to understand and also easier for us to run?

Do you think just having the 2 amounts for each part will cause any problems?

Yes most people find forms to hard to understand
so having two parts will make things harder to
understand and this will be most unfair to
disabled people.

Question 5

Do you think some health conditions or disabilities should allow people to get an amount of the benefit automatically?

Or do you think that all claims should be based on the needs of the person asking for the benefit?

Yes people who have had strokes people who are born with disabilities people with ^{bone} ~~born~~ problems and many others also people who cannot get around without help.

Question 6

How can we make sure that disabled people who most need the new benefit can get it?

What activities or actions are the most important to live an independent life?

ask the Doctors at both G.P.s. and Hospitals and the disabled people's needs must be taken into account

Question 7

How can we make sure that the new benefit takes into account the way a person's health condition can change?

Speaks to the G.P.s and Doctors at hospitals most disabled people do not get any better most will only get worse the people I care for are only getting worse

Question 8

When a person makes a claim to the new benefit, should we take account of any aids or adaptations that they use?

What aids and adaptations should we take into account?

Should we only take aids and adaptations into account if the person already uses them? Or should we take aids and adaptations into account that a person could use and get hold of easily?

why should aids and adaptations make any difference to whether the people get the benefit without these things, the disabled person life will be even more difficult all disabled people would much more love to be fit and well not having to beg for help

Question 9

How could we make the way a person asks for benefit better.
For example

- How could we make the claim form easier to fill in?
- How could we tell people about the new benefit so that they know what the benefit is for and who is likely to get the benefit?

make the forms easy to understand and not so long winded - write to all disabled people you can then ask them DON'T keep us in the dark all the time

Question 10

Who are the best people to tell us about the needs of the person asking for benefit?

What information will we need to make it clear what the person can and cannot do?

The carers the G.P.s of the disabled people and the person themselves

Question 11

An important part of the new benefit may be talking face to face with an independent person about how well you can do the things you need to do to take part in everyday life.

What good things and bad things may this bring?

Is there any time when it would not be right to say that a person had to meet an independent person face to face, either in the person's own home or somewhere else?

people would need to know the nature of the
claimants disability not just a nobody who
thinks they know.

Question 12

What should we use to decide how often we should look at a claim again and check it?

Should the way we look at a claim again depend on the needs of the person and their health condition or disability?

The persons illness should be the top of the list and how it affects their everyday lives and the lives of the people who care for them.

Question 13

The new benefit will be easier for people to understand, so we will expect people to tell us when things change in their lives.

How can we get people to tell us about the changes in their lives?

The persons G.P. will know if things will change for the better or worse. also most disabled people are honest so leave it to them.

Question 14

What types of help and advice are people who will ask for the new benefit likely to need?

Would it help if we told people to get help and advice and where to get it from?

its always helpfull to get help and advice on
Form Filling and help to fill in the Form, spellin,
is my weakness help with this would help

Question 15

How do disabled people pay for their aids and adaptations at the moment?

Should disabled people be allowed to use the new benefit to pay for a one-off cost?

A lot of people cannot pay for aids and
adaptation so go without, or end up with big
bills from Banks to pay for them

Question 16

What are the main differences we should think about when we are dealing with claims for children instead of adults?

The child's needs must be met at all times
if you speak to a child do it in a fun way

Question 17

How important or useful has **Disability Living Allowance** been in getting people to use other services or to get other benefits?

What can we do to make things better?

At the moment people who get **Disability Living Allowance** automatically get help from other benefits and services, like the Blue Badge scheme and the Warm Front scheme.

What would it mean to disabled people if they did not automatically get help from these other benefits or services?

The DLA is a God send with out it disabled
people lives would be not worth living

The Blue Badge helps people to try and keep going
out it helps if the can park closer to where they
are going what is the Warm Front.?

Question 18

What information about the disabled person could we share with other services or government departments to stop the disabled person having to tell lots of people the same thing?

make things easy share things with all departments
but ask the disabled people permission first

Question 19

How would our ideas for the new benefit affect different equality groups? For example, the equality groups looking at disability, age, race, gender, **sexual orientation** and religion and belief.

Sexual orientation

This is about whether a person is

- heterosexual – sexually attracted to people of the other sex.
- lesbian – a woman who is sexually attracted to women.
- gay – a man who is sexually attracted to men.
- bisexual – sexually attracted to men and women.
- asexual – not sexually attracted to men or women

ITS SHOULD MAKE NO DIFFERENCE.

Question 20

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about our plans?

YES LEAVE THEM AS THEY ARE YOU ARE GOING
TO MAKE DISABLED PEOPLES LIVES WORSE AND
WE HAVE A LOT TO PUT UP WITH