

Questions

Question 1

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

Having a manual and not electric wheelchair. Having to rely on someone to push me. them.

Question 2

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

All of it. especially getting the adapted vehicles if needed.

Question 7

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

Have regular reviews. Report changes.

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?

Yes all of these!

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?

Avoid repetition on claim form.
Publish and organise local public meetings.

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 person and someone who knows them best. E.g. Carer

Take on board what they are saying -

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?

Someone with communication difficulties would not be able to do this you have to allow for this and have someone to speak for them.

Being caught on the hop with questions is difficult.

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?

yes it is all according how bad Their
condition is, IF Someone has Heart condition
or cancer they should be checked less often.

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?

it already says when you get DLA to tell
them if anything changes so just keep doing
this, stress it is a offence if you are not
told if circumstances changes.

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?

Yes. If it is the right advice
CITIZENS Advice bureaus.

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?

D.L.A, IF they get enough to cover the
cost.

Question 16

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

Can't say what their needs are like
most adults can, so you have to allow for
this.

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?

Very important, if they are entitled to
these benefits it should not stop, these benefits
are important.

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?

Their diagnosis is important, so they get
what they are entitled to, how they cope
with their condition.

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

They should not be discriminated and get
what they deserve like anyone else. They are
not different to anyone else with the same
diagnosis.

Question 20

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

I do not agree with the new name as
PIP is also a parents group (parents in
Partnership) I can't see why the name has to be
changed anyway

Word list

Attendance Allowance

This is money that people aged 65 or over may be able to get if they need someone to help look after them because they are disabled7

Care and support

Care and support are the services and other things that help people live full, independent, active and healthy lives4

Consultation

This is when the government asks what people think about their plans, and for ideas about the best ways of doing things.....3

Disability Living Allowance

This is money that someone with a disability or a health condition may be able to get to help them pay for the help and support they need3