5. Introducing PIP for new claimants

This fact sheet outlines the phased approach DWP have taken to introduce PIP for new claimants

Introducing PIP

DWP decided to use a phased approach to introduce PIP, which started with a limited number of new claims from 8 April 2013 before increasing new claims volumes for full National rollout on 10 June 2013. From October 2013, DWP will begin to invite existing DLA claimants to claim PIP.

This was to make sure that the delivery of PIP was right by:

- allowing processes to bed in
- making sure our systems are working as we intend and
- learning from the experience of these early stage new claims.

8 April 2013

From 8 April 2013, DWP started taking new claims to PIP from people living in the North West and North East of England who were aged 16 to 64.

New claims to DLA continued to be available in the rest of Great Britain until 10 June 2013.

Between 8 April 2013 and 9 June 2013, anyone outside of these areas was not able to claim PIP.

Existing DLA claimants were also not able to make a new claim to PIP.

10 June 2013

From 10 June 2013, DWP have started to take claims to PIP in all areas of Great Britain. No more new claims for DLA will be taken from now on from people aged between 16 and 64.

October 2013

From October 2013, DWP will start to invite some existing Disability Living Allowance (DLA) claimants to claim PIP.

For details regarding the reassessment process see <u>fact sheet 6</u>.

Making a claim for PIP

For details on how to claim PIP see <u>fact sheet</u> <u>7</u>.

