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Information request

Is there any circumstance in which a JSA claimant on HtW can be referred onto CWP or WSR after being allocated to MIR for more than the initial 8 week assessment period from the work programme completer's interview?

Could you please provide an upto date copy of any appropriate guidelines that stipulate this.

DWP response

Please find attached relevant current Jobcentre Plus guidance.

Claimant allocated to MIR at Work Programme Completer Interview

32. Claimants not allocated to Daily Work Search Review (WSR) or referred to Community Work Placement (CWP) at the Work Programme Completer Interview (WPCI) will be allocated to MIR.

33. Work coaches then have up to 8 weeks* to assess whether one of the other HtW options (i.e. Daily WSR or CWP) is more appropriate given the claimant's particular circumstances.

34. Claimants not allocated to Daily WSR or CWP will remain on MIR.

* Important note: 8 weeks is an absolute maximum and commences from the date the WPCI is conducted. Once the 8 week point has been passed, a claimant not allocated to Daily WSR or referred to CWP will continue in MIR i.e. after the 8 week point, allocation to Daily WSR and initial referral to CWP are no longer an option. The 8 week limit does not apply to claimants who may need referring again to CWP because they failed to attend the original provider Engagement Meeting or did not start their placement.