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Information request

You run a number of mandatory unpaid back to work BTW schemes (Mandatory Work Activity, Community Work Placements etc) often called workfare for short. Is there any entitlement to paternity leave while a person is engaged on these BTW schemes?

DWP response

Paternity leave is an entitlement that is available to people who are in paid employment. It is not possible to claim paternity leave if you are claiming Jobseekers Allowance and are on a Mandatory Work Activity or Community Work Placement.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,