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New DWP guidance on updated advice to healthcare professionals developed separately from Upper Tribunal decision on what evidence of work-related activity is required for Substantial risk to health arising from being found capable of work-related activity

http://www.rightsnet.org.uk/welfare-rights/news/item/substantial-risk-to-health-arising-from-being-found-capable-of-work-or-work

Please can you give a copy of the said DWP guidance on updated advice to HCP on what evidence of work-related activity is required for Substantial risk to health arising from being found capable of work-related activity.

## **DWP** response

Updated guidance for healthcare professionals on the assessment of risk in Employment and Support Allowance claimants with a Mental Health condition was developed with input from senior psychiatrists, and makes clear that the assessment of risk needs to focus both on the claimant's health and whether the claimant could cope with work-related activity. It can be found in Annex 6 of the Work Capability Assessment (WCA) Handbook, which is available on GOV.UK at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/work-capability-assessment-handbook-for-healthcare-professionals">www.gov.uk/government/publications/work-capability-assessment-handbook-for-healthcare-professionals</a>.