



Department
for Work &
Pensions



Disability Advisory Panel

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About our Disability Advisory Panel

We are the Department of Work and Pensions.



We are looking for people to join our **Disability Advisory Panel**.



The panel is a group of people who will meet with us. Together we will talk about our different experiences and **policies**.



Policies are like rules. They tell us how to do something.



We are looking for people who are Deaf, disabled or have a **long term health condition** to join our panel.



A **health condition** is a problem that affects your body.

Things like having a bad back, pain, or problems with your heart or your breathing.



It could also be a **mental health** condition.

Mental health is things like your thoughts, feelings and how you cope in everyday life.



Long term means it lasts for 12 months or more.



You must live in England, Wales or Scotland to take part.



What experience you need

You must have been involved in work around health and disability before.

You must have:

- Worked or helped out at a Deaf or disabled people's organisation or charity

or

- Taken part in **research** or spoken out about things to do with health or disability.

Research means looking at something to find out more about it.



You must have given advice about health and disability before.



This might be to places like your local council or healthcare services.



You must be able to work well together with other people.



We really want to understand what makes it hard for people to get a job and work.



You must understand **barriers** that people who are Deaf, disabled or have a long term health condition face.



A **barrier** is when something stops you or makes it harder for you to do something.

If you want to join the panel



If you are interested in taking part, please fill in this form or write your answers in an email.



If you fill in this form you will need to do it on a computer, tablet or phone.



You can type your answers in the boxes.



When you have finished you need to save the form on your computer. Then you can email it to us.



Send your form or email to:
**disabilityadvisorypanel.secretariat@
dwp.gov.uk**



You must send us your form or email
to us by **Monday 29th September.**



If you need any support to take part,
please tell us what support you need
in your email.

About you



Write your name:



Write your email address:



Write your phone number:



If you are part of an organisation, tell us their name here:

Questions about your experience



These next questions ask you about your experiences.



You must not write more than 500 words for each question.



You can send us a video to tell us your answers if you want.



Your video must not be any longer than 10 minutes for each question.



Question: Please tell us about your experience of being involved with health and disability.

You should tell us about things like:

- How you have made a difference.
- Times when you have given advice.
- How you understand what barriers people face.
- Working with other people.





Write your answer here:



Question: Please tell us why you want to join our panel.

You might want to tell us about things like:



- Your lived experience. This means you know what it is like to be Deaf, disabled or have a long term health condition

and



- What good things you will bring to the panel.



Write your answer here:

Questions about coming to the meetings



The panel will meet every month.



The meetings might be **online** or in person.

Online means using the internet. This is something on a computer, phone or tablet.



You might need to come to some other meetings too.



At the meetings, you must feel comfortable to:

- Share your stories and ideas.



- Listen to other people and learn from them.



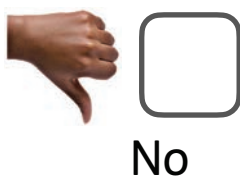
- Talk to our staff



Question: Are you happy to come to the meetings?



Yes



No



I don't know



Question: Do you need any support to **communicate** at the meetings?

Communicate means being able to tell other people what you want and how you feel.



Yes



No



I don't know



If you ticked **yes** or **I don't know**,
please tell us what support you need.
Write your answer here:




Some of our meetings will be online.



Question: Do you have a computer,
phone or tablet you can use so you
can join the meetings?

 ☐
Yes

 ☐
No

? ☐
I don't know

Question: Do you need any support to come to the meetings. This might be things like:



- If you need someone to support you.



- An interpreter, if you use British Sign Language.



- Help to get to the face to face meetings.



Yes



No



I don't know



If you ticked yes, please tell us what support you need. Write your answer here:



Question: Is there any other support you need to join our panel?



Yes



No



I don't know



Please tell us what support you need.
Write your answer here.

Using your information



To join the panel, we will need some information from you. Things like your name and email address.



We can only keep and use your information if you agree. Do you agree that we can use your information?



Yes



No



I don't know



We will send you emails with information before the meetings.



If you want us to contact you in a different way, please tell us here.

Extra questions

The next few questions ask you about you.



These questions help us to make sure we ask a good mix of people to join our panel.



You do not have to answer the questions if you do not want to.



We will keep what you tell us safe and private.





Question: Do you have a disability or long term health condition that affects how you do everyday things?

Things like cleaning, shopping or making meals.

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Yes

☐

No

☐

I don't want
to say



If you ticked **yes**, please tell us more about it. Write your answer here.



Question: How old are you? Please tick 1 box.

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19 or younger

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20 to 29

☐

50 to 59

☐

30 to 39

☐

60 to 69

☐

40 to 49

☐

older than 70

☐

I don't want to say



Ethnicity is your race, background and culture.

Question: What is your **ethnicity**? Please tick 1 box.



Asian or Asian British:

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Asian British

☐

Indian

☐

Bangladeshi

☐

Pakistani

☐

Chinese

☐

I don't
want to say

☐

Another Asian Background.
Please tell us here:



Black, African, Caribbean or Black British:

☐

African

☐

Caribbean

☐

Black British

☐

I don't
want to say

☐

Another Black, African or
Caribbean background.
Please tell us:



Mixed ethnic group:

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Asian and White

☐

Black African and White

☐

Black Caribbean and White

☐

Another mixed ethnic group.
Please tell us:

☐

I don't want to say



White:

☐

English

☐

Gypsy or Irish Traveller

☐

Irish

☐

Northern Irish

☐

Scottish

☐

Welsh

☐

Other European

☐

I don't want to say

☐

Another white background. Please tell us:



Other ethnic group:

☐

Arab

☐

Another ethnic group. Please tell us:

☐

I don't want to say



Question: What is your religion or belief? Please tick 1 box.

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Buddhist

☐

Jewish

☐

Christian

☐

Muslim

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Hindu

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Sikh

☐

No religion or belief

☐

Another religion or belief.
Please tell us:

☐

I don't want to say



Question: What is your sex? Please tick 1 box.

☐

Female

☐

Male

☐

Other. You can tell us how you see yourself here if you want to:

☐

I don't want to say

What happens next

We will read everyone's forms and choose who will join the panel.



We will let you know if we choose you.



We will still let you know, even if we do not choose you.



Thank you for your interest in joining the Disability Advisory Panel.