



Department
for Work &
Pensions

The Timms Review of PIP

Call for Evidence: Tell us what you think about the Personal Independence Payment benefit.

It is called **PIP** for short.



About this easy read survey



This is the easy read of a bigger survey called **Timms Review of Personal Independence Payment: Call for Evidence**.



It is about some work being done looking at a benefit called PIP.



This easy read tells you about the main things in the bigger survey.



We are asking people what they think. Please read about our work, then answer our questions.

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About PIP

PIP is a **health and disability benefit**.



Health and disability benefits are extra money some people can get from the Government.



The money is to help pay for extra things you need to help you because of a disability or **health condition**.



A **health condition** is a problem that affects your body. Things like having a bad back, pain, or problems with your heart or breathing.





Or it could be to do with your **mental health**.

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



People use the money from PIP to help with everyday things like cooking or shopping.



Or they use it for help with travelling and getting around.



The **Department of Work and Pensions** is the part of the Government in charge of benefits.

They are called the **DWP** for short.

About the Timms Review



The Government is doing a lot of work looking at PIP.



They want to make sure PIP is fair and gives people the best support for their needs.



The Government has asked us to do a **review** about PIP. A **review** means looking at something to find out more about it.

The review is called the **Timms Review**.



A group of people called the **steering group** will plan and lead the Review.



There are 15 people in the steering group.



They are made up of a mix of people who know about health, disability and benefits.



Most people in the group have a disability or a health condition. Or they work for places who help disabled people to speak up.



This means that people who are affected by PIP will help make the decisions about the review.



This way of working is called **co-production**.



We have more easy read information about the Review and the steering group.



You can find it on our website:
www.gov.uk/government/collections/the-timms-review

About our Call for Evidence



The steering group have already started looking at PIP.



They want to collect more information about it. They are asking lots of people some questions about PIP.

This is called a **Call for Evidence**.



To find out what people think, we have written this survey.



The steering group will use people's answers to help them with the Review.

People we want to answer our questions



Disabled people and their carers.



Places that are run by disabled people or support disabled people.



People who work in health and **social care**.



Social care is care and support that people might need at home, in their local community or in a care home.



People who know a lot about health and disability benefits.



Politicians. A **politician** is someone who helps to makes decisions about running the country.



Other people who are interested in health and disability benefits.



It will help to make sure lots of people's views and voices are heard.

How to tell us what you think



Send your answers back to us by **Thursday 28th May 2026.**



By Post

Write your answers in the boxes in this survey. Then post it back to us.



Send your answers to:

The Timms Review
Disability and Health Strategy
Directorate
Department for Work and Pensions
Floor Two
Caxton House
London
SW1H 9NA

By email



You can write your answers in an email if you want to.



Send your email to:

timmsreview.callforevidence@dpw.gov.uk



When you answer our questions, you should try not to put any **personal information**.



Personal information is information that tells people who you are. Things like your name, phone number and address.

About the questions



The steering group want to know more about 4 **themes**.



Themes are things that stood out the most when the steering group looked at PIP.

Theme 1: How PIP helps people



People use the money from PIP to help with everyday things like cooking or shopping.



Or they use it for help with travelling and getting around.



Question 1: Does PIP support people to do things they want to do?



Please tell us why you think PIP does support people. Or why PIP does not support people.

Write your answer in this box:



Being independent means you can do some things for yourself.



And if you need to, you can do some things with support.



You don't need people to do everything for you.



Question 2: Does PIP help people to be more independent in their day to day life?


Yes


No



Please tell us why you think PIP helps people to be independent. Or why PIP does not help people to be independent.

Write your answer in this box:

Theme 2: Who can ask for PIP and is PIP given out fairly



The PIP assessment looks at things called **activities**.

Activities are day to day things like:



- Washing and dressing.



- Cooking and cleaning.



- Getting out and about.



- **Communicating** with other people.

Communicating is telling people what you want and how you feel.



Question 3: Do you think PIP looks at the right activities?



Please tell us why you think PIP looks at the right activities. Or why PIP does not look at the right activities
Write your answer in this box:

Theme 3: What is asking for PIP like



When you ask for PIP, you have an **assessment**. An **assessment** is a check to see if a person can do everyday things.



Things like cooking, washing and telling people what you want or how you feel.



If you get PIP, you will have a **review**. A **review** is a check to make sure you are still getting the right amount of support.



If the DWP says no to PIP, some people may **appeal**.

An **appeal** is when they ask the DWP to think again about their decision about PIP.



Question 4: What is it like for people to ask for PIP?

Write your answer in this box:



Question 5: What is it like for people to get PIP?

Write your answer in this box:



Question 6: Is asking for PIP the same for everyone? Do you think it is easy for some people? Or harder for some people?

Write your answer in this box:

Theme 4: Does PIP still work or does it need to change



PIP has been around for a long time. Lots of things have changed since it started.



More people are asking for PIP.



More disabled people and people with health conditions want to work.

They use PIP to support them to work.



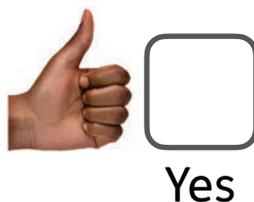
Because more people are asking for PIP. This means it might take longer to get a decision.



Question 7: Can you tell us how other changes have affected PIP?
Write your answer in this box.



Question 8: Because of these changes do you think PIP needs to change?



Yes



No



Please tell us why PIP does need to change. Or why it does not need to change. Write your answer in this box:

How we will use your information and the things you tell us

When you answer our questions, you will tell us some things about PIP.



People who work for the Government will be able to see your answers.



We might share your answers with **third parties**. **Third parties** are companies that do not work for the Government.

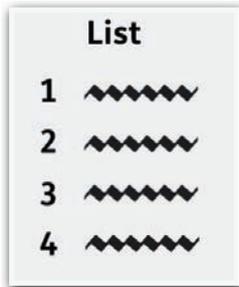


They will help us to look at everyone's answers





We may also share your information if the law says we need to share it.



We will put all everyone's answers together in a list.



We will also use what people tell us to write reports.



Other people will be able to read the list and reports.



If you do not want us to share your personal information, you should try not to put it in your answers.



If we use your answers in our list or reports, we will not put things like your name or address with it.



That way, nobody can tell it was you who told us.