

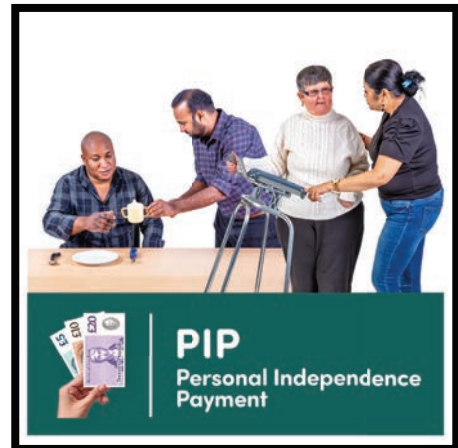


Department
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Pensions



Timms Review Workshop

Looking at a benefit called
Personal Independence Payment.
It is called **PIP** for short.



**Useful information for people
taking part in the workshop**



About this workshop

A **workshop** is when a group of people get together to talk and share ideas.



This workshop is about a **review** called the **Timms Review**.

A **review** means looking at something to find out more about it.



The Timms Review is looking at a **benefit** called **Personal Independence Payment**. It is called **PIP** for short.



Benefits means money from the Government for people who need help to pay for things.

This might be because they are unwell, disabled, or do not have a job.



This booklet tells you useful information about the Timms Review and why we are doing this workshop.

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 your disability or **health condition**.



A **health condition** is a problem that affects your body. Things like having a bad back, pain, 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.



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.



And they want PIP to help people to live **independently**.

Independently means doing some things by yourself and some things with some support.



A group of people called a **steering group** are leading the review.



They are looking at ways the Government could make PIP better.

Who is involved in the Timms Review



The steering group will work together with lots of different people on the review.

This includes:



- Disabled people and carers.



- Organisations that are run by disabled people or support disabled people.



- People who know a lot about health, disability and benefits.



- People who work for the Government.



- Other people who are interested in health and disability benefits.



This includes everyone who came to the workshop today.



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



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

Who is leading the Timms Review



The steering group will plan and lead the review.



There are 15 people in the steering group.



3 people in the group are **co chairs**. They are in charge of meetings about the Timms Review.



The steering group is 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.



The steering group's job is to come up with ideas about how to make PIP better.

Why we are doing workshops



The steering group have already started looking at PIP.



They want to collect more information about it.



The steering group wants to hear from lots of different people about PIP.



They have come up with lots of different ways for people to have their say.



Things like surveys, speaking to people and doing workshops.



Having your say

We want to know what you think about PIP.



We will write down what everyone says.



We will share things you tell us with the steering group.



But we will not tell them your name.



That way, they will not be able to tell it was you who told us.

What happens next



The steering group will look at everything people said.



It will help them come up with some ideas about what the Government could do to make PIP better.



They will write a report in the autumn. It will say what needs to happen next.



Thank you for taking part in the workshop.