

APPENDIX 2

Description of Disability Benefits

Attendance Allowance [AA]

Attendance Allowance is paid to people who are 65 or over and the following apply:

- A person has a physical disability (including sensory disability, for example blindness), a mental disability (including learning difficulties), or both
- A person has a disability which is severe enough for them to need help caring for themselves or someone to supervise them, for their own or someone else's safety

A person could get £55.65 or £83.10 a week to help with personal care because they are physically or mentally disabled and are aged 65 or over.

Disability Living Allowance [DLA]

[Being phased out and replaced with Personal Independence Payments – PIP]

Disability Living Allowance (DLA) is a benefit for disabled people under 65 who need help with mobility or care costs.

A person may be eligible if they either:

- need help looking after themselves (the 'care component')
- have walking difficulties (the 'mobility component')

A person could get £22.00 [low] £55.65 [Middle] or £83.10 [high] a week to help with personal care because they are physically or mentally disabled and are aged under 65.

A person could get £22.00 [low] or £58.00 [high] a week if they have walking/mobility difficulties.

Personal Independence Payments [PIP]

Personal Independence Payment (PIP) is replacing Disability Living Allowance (DLA) for people with a long-term health condition or disability who are aged 16 to 64.

A person could get £55.65 [Standard] or £83.10 [Enhanced] a week if they need help with personal care because they are physically or mentally disabled.

A person could get £22.00 [Standard] or £58.00 [Enhanced] a week if they have walking/mobility difficulties.