



# **PIP Evidence**

**Supplimentary Guide**

# Evidence

When you send your PIP2 “How Your Disability Affects You” Form, you are also able to send additional evidence to support your claim. You can start getting this evidence together before you complete the form. Some people start organising their evidence before making the initial phone call, or soon afterwards.



This guide outlines some examples of evidence you can provide.

**This is not a complete list.**

**You do not need to provide everything on this list.**

Send the DWP evidence which shows the impact of your disabilities. Try to organise any evidence that you send to make it easy for the decision maker to find and understand.



## Proof of diagnosis and treatment

- Assessment letter
- Attendance summaries
- Medical records
- Prescriptions



## Letters from professionals

These should show what difficulties you have and what support professionals provide.

Some professionals do not provide help with benefit applications and others may charge a fee for providing a letter. Ask what they can do for you and check if there is a charge first. Ask them to send the evidence they provide to you so that you can make sure you are happy with it and decide if you want to include it in your claim.

**Remember that the letter should show how your condition affects you.**



- Statement from your GP
- Letter from a consultant
- Specialist therapy reports (occupational therapy, speech and language therapy etc.)
- Counsellor or therapist report
- Social worker report
- Learning support statement
- Support worker statement
- Statement or invoice from other hired staff



### **Work and study reports and statements**

- Occupational Health report
- Reasonable Adjustment plan
- Access to Work or Disabled Student's Allowance report
- Absence records
- Letter from a manager regarding absences or adaptations



### **Statements from friends and family**

This should explain what you have difficulty with and how they help you.

When acquiring evidence from another individual, ask for it to be forwarded to you instead of the DWP.

This ensures that you have the opportunity to review its contents, allowing you to decide whether you wish to include this in your claim.



### **Photographs**

- Pictures of aids and equipment you need to use

## Daily Diary



- Use this to demonstrate the actual day to day impact of your disability.
- Include facts about what you did or didn't do.
- Include what help you received from other people or what aids you needed to use.
- If a task took a long time, say how long it took
- Explain how your difficulties affect you, for example pain, fatigue or poor mental health.



## Receipts

- Receipts from takeaways or delivery services such as Just Eat, Deliveroo and Uber Eats can show difficulty with preparing and cooking meals. To effectively show this difficulty you would need to demonstrate repeated reliance on takeaways.



- Taxi receipts can support a claim if you cannot use public transport and use taxis instead.



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