

Find out more about PIP reform

How will it impact on you or a loved one, if you have a hearing loss?

Hearing Link has teamed up with **Advice NI** to offer a training session on the forthcoming Personal Independence Payment (PIP) benefits reform, that is accessible and relevant to people with hearing loss.

Join us for the event this month which will begin with a networking lunch prior to the session to find out more about the types of support and services offered by Hearing Link across Northern Ireland for people with hearing loss and their families.

Come along to our training session:

WHEN: Tuesday 30th April

TIME: 2pm (Networking lunch from 1pm)

VENUE: Girdwood Community Hub, 10 Girdwood Avenue, Belfast, Antrim, BT14 6EG.

About our session

The event will start with a networking lunch at 1pm.

Hearing Link staff and volunteers will be on hand to answer any questions you might have related to hearing loss, or can give more information about the support Hearing Link offers across Northern Ireland. There will also be a chance for participants to test different types of assistive listening equipment that supports hearing loss.

The training session will begin at 2pm, delivered by a tutor from Advice NI.



It will provide participants with an overview of both parts of PIP, how the benefit is claimed and assessed, how to best prepare to complete an application and how to support someone through the process. There will also be crucial information on the reform to non-means tested benefits in a generation. The information will be presented in a clear, concise manner, with great supporting material.

A hearing loop will be available and communication support in the form of a Speech-to Text-Reporter is provided for the whole session.

The session will be held at the Girdwood Community Hub, 10 Girdwood Avenue, Belfast, Antrim BT14 6EG. Ample parking is available on site.

Who Should Attend

The course is aimed at advisers and others working with groups and/or individuals who are likely to be impacted by PIP changes. This particular session is for people with hearing loss who need advice on PIP. If you are not affected by hearing loss, please contact Advice NI for details of their next general information session.

How to book your place

To register your place at this session, please email northernireland@hearinglink.org or tel/SMS: 07534 563451.

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