

The Disability Employment Advisor (DEA) will be available every 1st Thursday of the month at the surgery. If you would like to book a face to face or telephone consultation please contact reception to book an appointment.



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The Role of the DEA within Jobcentre Plus

Disability Employment Advisor



If you have a health condition or a disability that affects your ability to work, you can get assistance and advice on returning to the workplace by speaking to a Work Coach at your local Jobcentre Plus. For additional support, the Work Coach will refer to the DEA for advice on health & disability. Whether you have just lost your job or have been out of work for a long time, the DEA is trained to be able to help you to find work or to gain new skills for a job. We can help with work preparation, recruitment, interview coaching and even confidence building.

A DEA is assigned to every Jobcentre to provide personalised support. The service is tailored to your individual health & disability needs - to allow you to move towards training or into sustainable employment.

Alongside Jobcentre work coaches the Disability Employment Advisors can support you on job - seeking, accessing training and new skills and offer advice on government schemes.

DEA's can tell you about Disability friendly employers – “Disability Confident ©” employers in your area

The DEA can work in partnership with:

- Access to Work, Work Psychologists, Employment Advisors, Providers and payments team on Universal Credit, PIP, ESA & JSA etc
- DEAs are a point of contact for GPs, NHS, Local Authorities.
- We can liaise with Social Workers, Mental Health Support Workers, Homeless-ness Organisations and charities including Armed Forces, Salvation Army etc.
- DEA's have knowledge and are able to signpost to services on Health & Disability within your area and Nationally.

People with a disability and those with a health condition can offer a great deal to an employer, however some may need extra support to make work possible.

If you would like to access the additional support of the DEA, please discuss with your work coach at your local Jobcentre or GP at your surgery. We offer 1-2-1 consultations or work alongside your work-coach offering 3-way appointments.



South London District
DEA Team