



## **Personal Assistant Factsheet – Existing Personal (care) Assistants**

### **How can Disability Action Haringey help me?**

Disability Action aims to advocate and Support Personal (care) Assistants (PAs). If you need support or have questions about your role, please get in touch with us. We can offer advice regarding your employment as a PA, recommend training, connect you with peers and signpost support services if you need assistance. We can also help you find employment as a PA if you have any changes to your situation, such as a client moves away, or you wish to take on more hours.

### **Events for PAs**

PAs are important and DAH wants to make sure that you are treated as such. Therefore, we run events for PAs. This will be for learning about how DAH can help you in your role and to make meaningful connections with other PAs. Keep an eye on our website and social media for information about our events.

### **Can I have more than one employer as a PA?**

Yes, a PA can take on multiple employers who are receiving direct payments as long as they are able to maintain the quality of care between direct payment holders.

### **Can DAH help me find more work?**

DAH helps to match PAs with direct payment holders. This is done by hosting meetings/interviews between Direct Payment holders and prospective PAs and by supporting them to use [find-a-pa.co.uk](http://find-a-pa.co.uk) website. If you are an existing PA who is interested in expanding your working hours, please contact DAH.



## Who can I get in touch with?

DAH has a dedicated Personal Assistant coordinator who you can get in touch with:

Lydia Silver

**Number:** 07392 217665

**Email:** [lydia@d-a-h.org](mailto:lydia@d-a-h.org)

Available: Tuesday-Thursday, and alternate Fridays.

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## Where can I get more information?

**Disability Action Haringey** can be contacted regarding Personal Assistant support and connect you with employment opportunities.

Address: 33 Winkfield Road, Wood Green, N22 5RP

Email address: [info@d-a-h.org](mailto:info@d-a-h.org)

Telephone number: 0203 355 0071

If you would like to find out more about finding and recruiting a personal (care) assistant, please visit find-a-pa, a digital Personal (care) Assistants (PA) Platform. <https://www.find-a-pa.co.uk/haringey/haringey/>

If you are a carer and would like more information on receiving support, please contact **Haringey Carers First**.

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<https://www.carersfirst.org.uk/haringey>

Phone: 0300 303 1555

Email: [hello@carersfirst.org.uk](mailto:hello@carersfirst.org.uk)

Address: Resource Hub, 1 Russell Road, Leyton, E10 7ES

## Skills for Care:

The Skills for Care website provides more information for Personal Assistants: [Personal assistant toolkit \(skillsforcare.org.uk\)](https://www.skillsforcare.org.uk)

This information is presented in a range of toolkits. If you are unable to access the Skills for Care website, you can call 0113 245 1716