



Appointeeship

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What is an appointeeship?

An appointeeship allows someone, by law, to manage another person's benefits money



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- it is set up and approved by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP)
- the appointee gets the person's benefits payments and uses the money for that person
- the money must be used in the person's Best Interests for their daily needs
- an appointeeship **only covers benefits** – it does not include savings, bank accounts, property or other money





Who can have an appointeeship?

Appointeeships are for people who cannot manage their benefits payments themselves

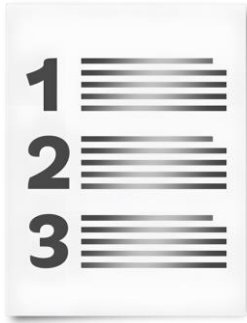


This may be because of

- a learning disability
- mental health need
- or another reason that affects mental capacity to manage their money



Before an appointeeship is set up, people should check if the person can be helped or supported to manage their own money



How to get an appointeeship



An appointee can be

- a family member
- a friend
- or an organisation such as the council if no one else is suitable



To become an appointee, an application is made to the DWP



The Department of Work and Pensions will look at the situation and may visit the person before agreeing