

The Work Programme

The Work Programme is a radical transformation in the way that the Department for Work and Pensions will deliver welfare-to-work services across the UK. It replaces several existing welfare-to-work programmes with a single comprehensive programme designed to deliver more consistent support for job seekers through a simplified and streamlined process.

Welfare Reform to Get Britain Working

The current benefits system has two key problems:

- Work incentives are poor
- The system is too complex

The Coalition Government has set out a number of major welfare-to-work reforms that aim to fight poverty, support the most vulnerable and help people break the cycle of benefit dependency.

The Work Programme radically simplifies the back-to-work system; it will be an integrated package of support providing personalised help for a wide range of customers, many of whom have been out of work for a number of years. Reforming the benefits system aims to make it fairer, more affordable and better able to tackle poverty, worklessness and welfare dependency.

The Work Programme in summary:

- Replaces many of the existing programmes for unemployed people including New Deal, Pathways to Work and Employment Zones.
- Is a single programme for customers regardless of the benefit they claim.
- Focuses on providing skills and support to sustain work opportunities for customers.
- Payments are based largely on results.
- Is a regionally focused prime contractor model, with top-tier providers managing subcontractors and supply chains.
- Providers are incentivised through individualised pricing to work with customers who are furthest from the labour market.

Trac working in partnership with Jobfit will be delivering the Work Programme on behalf of Jobcentre Plus in the following locations:

Machynlleth, Welshpool, Newtown, Llandrindod Wells, Brecon, Ystradgynlais, Carmarthen, Ammanford, Llanelli.



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