

Child Disability Payment is open nationally for applications

From Monday 22 November 2021, people across Scotland will be able to apply for Social Security Scotland's new benefit, Child Disability Payment.

Child Disability Payment provides support for the extra costs that a disabled child might have. Child Disability Payment will replace Disability Living Allowance for children in Scotland, which is currently delivered by the UK Department for Work and Pensions.

People can apply if they have parental rights and responsibilities or are an appointee acting on behalf of the child who:

- is aged between 3 months and 16 years old
- has lived with a disability or long term health condition for 3 months or more and it is expected to continue for at least 6 months
- does not already receive Disability Living Allowance for children from the Department for Work and Pensions

Child Disability Payment will open for new applications only. Families who already get Disability Living Allowance for children don't need to apply.

Families currently receiving Disability Living Allowance for children will be contacted before their benefit will be transferred to Social Security Scotland in a phased approach starting from the end of October 2021.

People can find out more information and apply at mygov.scot or by calling Social Security Scotland on 0800 182 2222.