

The Right to Control

Control and choice
for disabled people

Manchester Area Partnership
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What is the Right to Control?

The Right to Control is a new right for disabled adults. It will give you more choice over the support you get and more control in your daily life.

The government has worked with disabled people to create the Right to Control. This new right means you can have more control over the social care, housing related support and employment support and funding you get. So instead of receiving services you could take a cash payment and buy different services, support or equipment to help you live your life your way.

The Right to Control is being tested across the country in seven areas known as Trailblazers.



What is the Manchester Area Partnership?

The Manchester Area Partnership (MAP) is a Trailblazer made up of the Greater Manchester Coalition of Disabled People, Breakthrough UK, Jobcentre Plus, Independent Living Fund (ILF) and Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Stockport and Trafford Councils.

The Manchester Area Partnership will be testing the Right to Control from April 2011. At first it will be for new customers only. The aim is to offer it to existing customers at their review.



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Who has the Right to Control?

You have the Right to Control if you are a disabled adult living within a Trailblazer and you start to receive support from one or more of these services:

Access to Work

Support for disabled people in work and help to get to work.

Work Choice

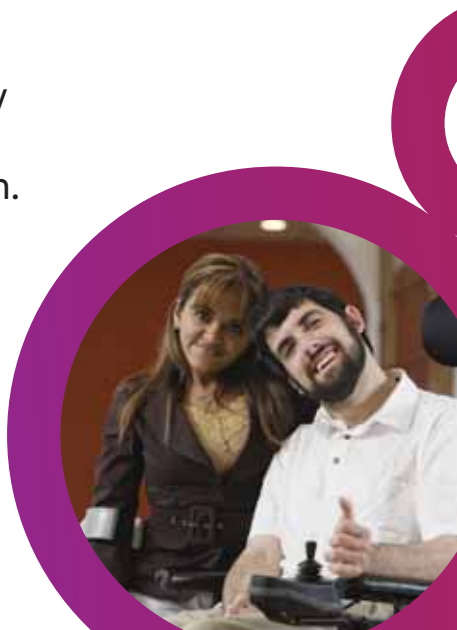
Support for disabled people to help them learn new skills, find work, stay in work and get continued support while in work.

Adult Social Care

Local council social care services to support people who have care needs, including community equipment services.

Disabled Facilities Grant

Money from the local council to pay for changes to a disabled person's home to make it accessible to them.




Independent Living Fund (ILF)

Money for disabled people who need extra help to live at home. ILF is not available to new customers.

Supporting People

Housing support to help people to keep their independence in their own home in the community.



The organisations providing the support services have a responsibility to tell you when you have the Right to Control.

They must also tell you how much money you have to spend, the other types of support available to you and how to make a complaint if you are unhappy.

What does the Right to Control mean for me?

Having the Right to Control means you will have more control over your Support Plan. Organisations will work together to help you get the outcomes you want.

You will have more choice over how money in your support plan is spent. You can choose the support that is offered, ask for another form of support from another provider or have the money paid direct to you so that you can arrange your own support.

We may need to share your information with other people but we will ask you for your permission. This could be where you can get support from more than one organisation and it will mean that you will not need to keep telling people the same things.

The Office for Disability Issues might contact you to ask about how Right to Control has worked for you.



Information and Support

The Manchester Area Partnership has asked Breakthrough UK Ltd, a disabled people's organisation, to be a Centre for Independent Living (CIL).

The CIL will work closely with other disabled people's organisations in the area, and will work in partnership with the five local authorities, Jobcentre Plus and the ILF to develop a range of support options. They will provide support for disabled people who are, or may be, eligible for the Right to Control.


Manchester Area Partnership Centre for Independent Living (CIL)

Phone: 0161 273 5412 (Textphone: 0161 273 5727)

Web: www.breakthrough-uk.co.uk

You may want to write to them at:

Breakthrough UK Ltd
Business Employment Venture Centre
Aked Close
Ardwick
Manchester
M12 4AN



If you would like a copy of this leaflet in large print, Easy Read, Braille or audio format, or in an alternative language please contact the CIL for a copy.

Your local contacts for Right to Control

If you live in Bury

Phone: 0161 253 5151 (Minicom: 0161 253 7408)

Web: www.bury.gov.uk/righttocontrol

If you live in Manchester

Phone: 0161 234 5001 (SMS Text: 07860 003 160)

Web: www.manchester.gov.uk/righttocontrol

If you live in Oldham

Phone: 0161 770 1515 (Minicom: 0161 770 1520)

Web: www.oldham.gov.uk/health_and_social_care

If you live in Stockport

Phone: 0161 217 6029 (Minicom: 0161 217 6024)

Web: www.mycaremychoice.org.uk

If you live in Trafford

Phone: 0161 912 5199 (Minicom: 0161 912 5129)

Web: www.trafford.gov.uk/myway

Jobcentre Plus – Access to Work

Phone: 0141 950 5327 (Textphone: 0845 602 5850)

Web: www.direct.gov.uk/accesstowork

Jobcentre Plus – Work Choice

Phone: 0845 604 3719 (Textphone: 0845 608 8551)

Web: www.direct.gov.uk/workchoice

Independent Living Fund (ILF)

Phone: 0845 601 8815 (Textphone: 0845 601 8816)

Web: www.direct.gov.uk/ilf