



# Welcome to Hertfordshire Direct Payment Support Service provided by Purple!

Since 1st January 2023, Purple has been supporting people utilising a Personal Budget through a Direct Payment or Individual Service Fund. This is an all age one stop shop.

The Service builds on Hertfordshire's Direct Payment and Individual Service Fund Strategy 2021–2024, which sets out the importance of people being able to control and have a say about the support they want to receive.

The support is accessed via the new Hertfordshire Direct Payment Support Service. Visit our website below to learn more about our services.

## www.herts-dpss.co.uk

#### Information, Advice and Guidance

Information, advice and guidance service for Direct Payment holders, including Personal Assistant recruitment support and signposting to relevant services.

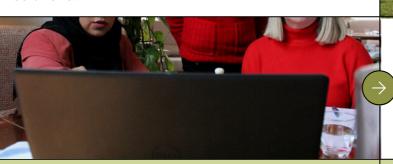


## **Purple Match: Personal Assistant Register**

Personal Assistant register to support Direct Payment holders to recruit suitable Personal Assistants either through the register or by advertising vacancies.



Support Brokerage to enable Direct Payment holders to maximise their Direct Payments to achieve desired outcomes, using local knowledge and expertise to propose innovative solutions.



#### **Peer Support Sessions**

Regular Peer Support sessions facilitated by our team and external industry experts to offer support and guidance to Direct Payment holders.





We at Purple are working with Hertfordshire County Council to provide peer support group sessions for Direct Payment holders and Personal Assistants. The purpose of these groups will be to enable peer support and learning from each other as well as an opportunity to ask questions of Purple and the Council.

## **Upcoming Direct Payment Holder Peer Support Sessions:**

Peer Support meeting – 10th March (1pm-2pm)

Training: "How to be a good employer" - 23rd March (10.00 - 11.30am)

Employer Toolkit - 7th April (11am-12pm)

Peer Support meeting - 14th April (10am-11am)

Peer Support meeting - 12th May (4pm-5pm)



Our sessions are designed to help you improve your skills and knowledge as a Direct Payment holder or Personal Assistant. Each session will cover a specific topic, such as "How to be a good employer" and "Employer Toolkit." The meetings will be held either in-person or virtually, depending on your preference.

To register for Peer Support, visit our website:



WWW.HERTS-DPSS.CO.UK



Navigate to: Direct Payments > Peer Support

#### Insurance announcement:

As a Direct Payment holder using our Support Services, you qualify for a 9% discount on services from any insurance provider on our list. Partnering with trusted providers, we're confident you'll receive quality service at a reduced cost. Contact us to learn more about this exceptional offer. Thank you for choosing us.

To register to receive our quarterly newsletter, visit our website.