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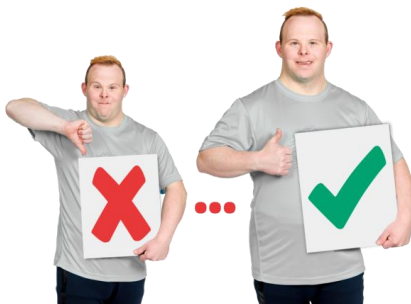


Adult Disability Payment (ADP) is a benefit from the Scottish Government.

It helps disabled people with the extra costs they face.



It has replaced the UK benefit called Personal Independence Payment (PIP).



ADP is meant to:

- be easier to apply for
- be more respectful
- treat people with dignity, fairness, and respect.



Around half a million people in Scotland now get ADP.

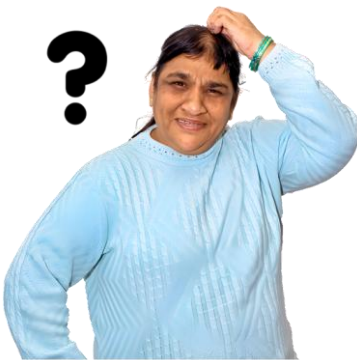
But it costs millions of pounds more than PIP.



The Scottish Government is spending more money than it gets from the UK Government.



This gap is expected to grow.



So far the Scottish Government has not explained:

- how it will deal with this
- what it might mean for disabled people.



Most people who get ADP say they feel treated with kindness and respect, especially those who moved over from PIP.



But people who are applying for the first time, or who did not get the benefit, are less happy with the process.



The report is asking the Scottish Government to make a clear plan that shows how ADP works with other support for disabled people.



It also needs to find out which parts of ADP are working well and how much they cost.



This will help make sure money is being used in the best way and that ADP is really helping people.



The report recommends that the Scottish Government should:

- put a disability strategy online in 2026 for everyone to read



- have better ways to track how well ADP is working



- learn from what disabled people tell them.



The Scottish Government also needs to:

- plan its spending more clearly
- show how ADP is helping to deliver what they want to achieve.



Without these changes it will be hard to know if ADP is:

- giving good value for money
- doing what it is meant to do.