Universal Credit & Work

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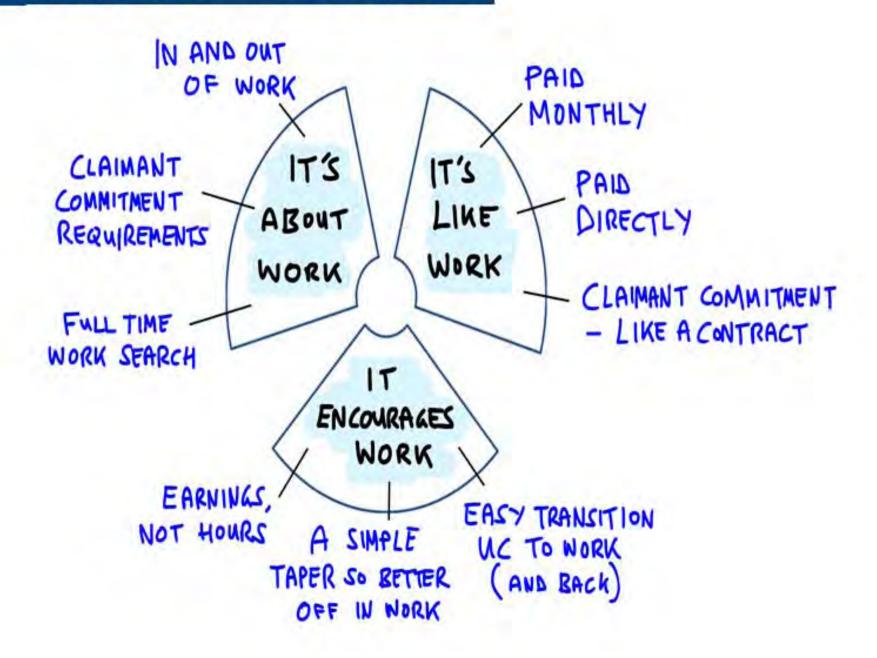




Legacy Benefits



Universal Credit – What's it about?



What is happening?

- It is not possible to make a new claim for any of the legacy benefits for working age people (except in limited circumstances)
- Instead, you will need to claim Universal Credit online.
- This will mean all legacy benefits will stop once UC is claimed.
- Rolled out to every JCP by 12/12/2018



Who is not affected?

- Pension age claimants
- Families with **three or more** dependant children (ending 1/2/2019)
- Households in specified or temporary accommodation – will receive UC for living costs and HB for housing costs
- Claimants who are entitled to the severe disability premium (from 16/1/2019)



Who will the roll out effect, when?

Natural Migration

- This is where a claimant moves due to a change in their circumstances, meaning that they need to claim UC
- No transitional protection if entitlement is lower

Managed Migration

- This is where the DWP have selected a claimant to move to UC
- Expected to start from November 2020, due to be completed December 2023
- Transitional protection should be available

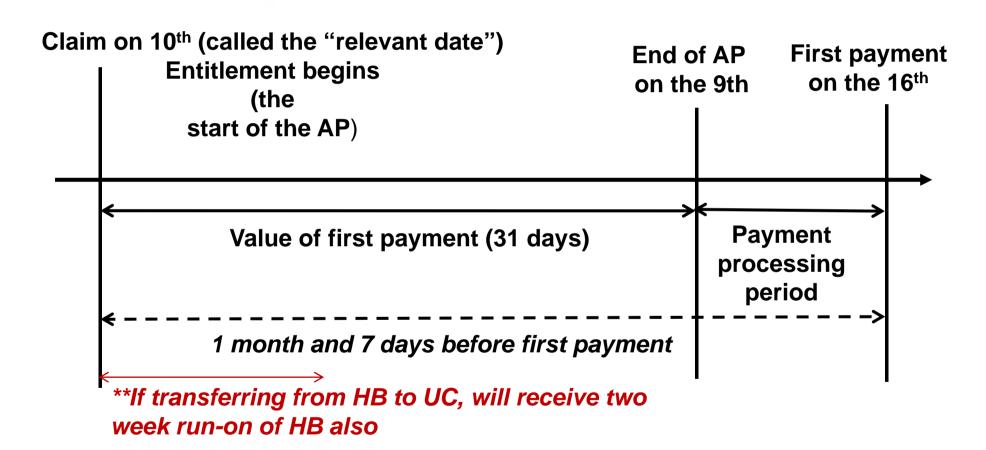


Natural Migration triggers

Moving from out of work to sick, or sick to out of work	Moving from out of work to work, or work to out of work	Moving from in work to sick	Moving from sick to in work
HB claimant moves to different Local Authority	IS lone parent child under 5 reaches 5yrs old or leaves the household permanently	Separating claimants	Household becomes responsible for a child for the first time



Waiting for first payment (six five week wait)





Work Allowance

	HOME OWNERS or NO HOUSING COSTS Maximum disregard	RENTERS Minimum disregard
Single or couples without children		
Couple with children	£409 / £492* *Rates from April 19	£198 / £281*
Lone parent	£409 / £492*	£198 / £281*
Disabled Need LCW	£409 / £492*	£198 / £281*



Claiming Universal Credit

- Need an email address, bank account & mobile number
- Can verify online or at JCP
- Most people need to claim online .GOV
- If unable to manage claim online, can make the claim over the phone. This is recommended if they will be unable to manage online claim due to their disability



Supporting claimants with complex needs

Assisted Digital Support

Personal Budgeting Support

Alternative Payment Arrangements

Advanced Payments

Facts about Universal Credit

Housing Costs paid directly to you

Let your work coach know of any vulnerabilities

UC claim managed online

Paid Monthly

Claim Council Tax Support separately

Five weeks for first payment