

SHQ - Warren, Bob

From: SHQ - Hutchinson, Jayne
Sent: 30 March 2010 14:14
To: Wisdom, Julie
Cc: SHQ - Hamilton, Brendan; SHQ - Warren, Bob
Subject: RE: injuries and PI .doc

Julie

Bob Warren has approved the issue of the letter to all injury pensioners, with the exception of those whose injury pension has been suspended as we are unable to confirm whether they are in receipt of DWP benefits.

Those injury pensioners who currently have an overpayment outstanding will be issued with letters as you are able to calculate the revised amount from current DWP benefits.

As mentioned earlier in our telephone conversation you may wish to include in the letter that the adjustment to pension in May will also include the backdated adjustment to April's pension, so the reduction in pension in May will be higher than normal.

Brian Booth's letter if fine to send.

Thanks

Jayne

From: Wisdom, Julie [mailto:Julie.Wisdom@lancashire.gov.uk]
Sent: 30 March 2010 10:09
To: SHQ - Hutchinson, Jayne; SHQ - Hamilton, Brendan
Cc: Lambert, Diane
Subject: injuries and PI .doc

Good morning Jayne and Brendan

We have been sent guidance from CLG on Up-rating of DWP Benefits – Effect on Injury Pensions. The guidance does not include the methodology of how to calculate the correct rate of injury pension.

Therefore we are proposing to calculate the current value of the injury pension, including pensions increase from the start date, and then to deduct the current level of DWP benefits.

As we should have the details of all DWP benefits paid I propose that we use these benefits and apply the current rate of them in the calculation.

The letter we send out to the pensioners advising them of any change will include these details and ask them to contact us if there benefits are paid at a different rate. It will also contain the

sentence about advising us of any changes to DWP benefits.



As most benefits will increase from 15 April 2010 and we have already processed the April pension any pensioner receiving DWP benefits will have been overpaid.



Mr M Scott has already sent in details of his revised rate and as the guidance was received on the day the pension run was processed his pension has already been reduced as proposed above and I have attached the draft letter for him. As he will receive a payslip very soon a quick response would be appreciated.

Regards

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