

New Breaks, New Horizons

Access to Work

Introduction

- ▶ What is Access to Work?
- ▶ Letter of eligibility
- ▶ Types of support

Access to Work

Introduced in
1994

Focuses on the
need of the
individual

Helps give advice and
financial support for ways
of helping disabled
employees perform work
tasks

Includes help for
people with dyslexia,
hearing impairment,
sight impairment,
learning difficulties,
mental health issues
and others

Help for interviews,
employment and self-
employment

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Letter of Eligibility

- ▶ A letter you can show a potential employer if you think you would need support from Access to Work

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/access-to-work-eligibility-letter-for-employees-and-employers>

Access to Work – Types of Support

- ▶ Special aids and equipment
- ▶ Travel to work
- ▶ Travel in work
- ▶ Support worker
- ▶ Communication support at interview
- ▶ Adaptations to premises and equipment
- ▶ Mental health support service

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Next Steps

- ▶ Think about any support you might need for interviews
- ▶ Consider an Access to Work eligibility letter to give to your potential or existing employers
- ▶ Talk to Access to Work about what support they might be able to offer you