

Disability Support Pension Impairment Tables Questionnaire

Response: 065

Anonymous

11a Select the key theme of the proposed changes to the Impairment Tables that is the most important to you

Other

11a (i) Other: What other Impairment Tables theme, not listed above, is the most important to you.

Deaf

11b Select the theme of the proposed changes to the Impairment Tables that is the second most important to you

Mental health

11c Select the theme of the proposed changes to the Impairment Tables that is the third most important to you

Other

11c (i) Other: What other Impairment Tables theme, not listed above, is the most important to you.

Nil

12a (i) The removal of the term 'permanent condition' provides greater clarity that a condition must persist for two years as part of the DSP eligibility criteria

Strongly agree

12a (ii) The proposed changes more clearly describe the requirements of diagnosis, treatment and stabilisation of conditions for DSP assessment

Strongly agree

13a (i) The inclusion of additional defined terms provides greater clarity around terminology used in the Instrument

Strongly agree

13a (ii) Simplification in Part 2 of the Instrument improves the guidance and readability of the section

Strongly agree

13a (iii) The proposed changes to Table introductions and descriptors has made it easier to understand the requirements of Tables

Strongly agree

13a (iv) The additional guidance in appropriate Tables provides greater clarity when considering functional impairment. For example an additional guidance point to all Tables on fluctuating and episodic conditions

Strongly agree

13a (v) The updating of references to relevant assistive technology provides clearer guidance and modernises the Tables

Strongly agree

13a (vi) The broader range of examples in the Tables illustrates how a person's functional impairment may impact their ability to work

Disagree

13b Please provide any additional comments on the proposed operational improvements.

Can't force people with disabilities who can't work due with health and also no qualifications and people have huge sore back unable to work either and don't like to force to work

14a The proposed changes recognise and capture the functional impacts relating to alcohol, drug and other substance misuse in appropriate Tables

Unsure

14b Please provide any additional comments regarding changes about the impacts from alcohol, drug and other substance misuse.

I can't say about this question but I am against alcoholism not to be abuse for welfare

15a The addition of guidance recognises the impacts of ongoing side effects from prescribed medication and treatment

Strongly agree

15b Please provide any additional comments regarding changes about the ongoing side effects of treatment.

If anyone who have cancer can't force to work and need to recovery

16a (i) Proposed changes better represent the functional impact of pain

Strongly agree

16a (ii) Additional examples of pain related conditions that result in functional impairment provide more clarity around the types of conditions that may be assessed against a Table

Strongly agree

16b Please provide any additional comments regarding changes about pain.

Need to accept for back pain can not work either can't stand up too long or can't sit too long either

17a Additional examples of chronic illnesses that result in functional impairment provide greater clarity around the types of conditions that may be assessed against a Table

Unsure

18a Additional examples of renal conditions that result in functional impairment provide more clarity around the types of conditions that may be assessed against a Table

Unsure

19a (i) Additional examples of fatigue related conditions that result in functional impairment provide greater clarity around the types of conditions that may be assessed against a Table

Strongly agree

19a (ii) The inclusion of a personal care descriptor captures the functional impacts of fatigue on a person's ability to undertake personal care activities

Strongly agree

19a (iii) Proposed changes better represent the functional impact of fatigue related conditions

Strongly agree

20a Additional examples of cancer and subsequent conditions that result in functional impairment provide more clarity around these types of conditions that may be assessed against a Table

Strongly agree

20b Please provide any additional comments regarding changes about cancer.

Don't force to workforce during cancer and don't need stress and need recovery

21a (i) Additional examples of specific pieces of evidence that may be used to support a claim assists individuals to identify the accepted range of medical evidence that can be provided

Strongly agree

21a (ii) Additional examples of professionals assists individuals identify the range of appropriate practitioners who are able to provide medical evidence in support of their claims

Unsure

21b Please provide any additional comments regarding changes to medical evidentiary requirements.

Don't give people hard time if not believe what they got of disability and need to accept it

22a (i) Addition of descriptors better capture shoulder function in Table 2 - Upper Limb Function

Unsure

22a (ii) The addition of descriptors for the loss of function of a dominant limb under Table 2 – Upper Limb Function better recognises functional impacts of losing a dominant upper limb
Unsure
22a (iii) Additional examples of specific skin conditions that result in functional impairment provide more clarity around the types of conditions that may be assessed against a Table
Unsure
23a The proposed changes better capture the functional impacts of balance, dizziness and a person’s ability to stand
Strongly agree
24a The proposed change will better support individuals by providing a broader range of medical professionals allowed to provide corroborating evidence in support of a diagnosis of a mental health condition for assessment under Table 5 – Mental Health Function
Disagree
25a The proposed changes improve alignment with other recognised mental health assessment tools (including the World Health Organization Disability Assessment Schedule –WHODAS, Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders – DSM, World Health Organization International Classification of Diseases - ICD)
Strongly agree
26a (i) Proposed changes better reflect conditions on the spectrum of neurodiversity
Strongly agree
26a (ii) The addition of a new social skills descriptors in the table relating to brain function recognise difficulties a neurodivergent person may experience in social situations
Strongly agree
26b Regarding the proposed change on Table 6 – Brain Function to better recognise social skills difficulties, would you prefer to:
add a new social skills descriptor and require a person to meet at least two descriptors for the relevant impairment rating to be assigned
27a The proposed changes better recognise the need for culturally appropriate assessments
Strongly agree
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