

## **FACTSHEET**

## **Personal Independence Payment**



Carers...For more information on this or any other benefit, contact St Helens Carers Centre on 01744 675615 or head over to www.sthelenscarers.org.uk and live chat with us Monday to Friday between 10 and 3.

- Personal Independence Payment is a benefit you may be able to claim if you need help with your everyday life or if you need help with getting around, and the reason you need the help is due to physical or mental disability/illness
- Personal Independence Payment isn't means tested which means you can have
  a high income and/or savings and this will not affect eligibility
- You need to be 16 or over and under state pension age when you first make a claim.
- You don't need someone caring for you to qualify—it is about the help you need, not the help you get
- Personal Independence Payment isn't taxable and can be paid on top of your current income
- If Personal Independence Payment is awarded, it can continue to be paid for as long as you are eligible, even if you reach state pension age or over

If you think you may be eligible, contact us—we can advise around eligibility and can help to complete the form. If you want to make a claim yourself, call **0800 917 2222**