

## **Webinar Title** – Let's talk about – *PA's Covid Vaccination & Testing*



**Description** – This webinar is focused for people who employ Personal Assistants (PA's) and want to gain useful information in regard to Covid testing and vaccination.

We will have an overview of the current status by Martin Walker from Think Local Act Personal (TLAP), hear direct experience of issues from Katie Clarke and the Bringing Us Together community and legal and advisory perspective from Rachel Harkin and David Ashley from Mark Bates Ltd.

The webinar will run for 1 to 1.5hours.

### **Speakers/presenters**



**Martin Walker** - Martin is a policy advisor at Think Local Act Personal, leading on Self-Directed Support there for the last three years. Prior to this he was a Programme Manager at Doncaster Council leading its transformation work across the era's of Putting People First and the introduction of the Care Act. He also spent a number of years in Doncaster leading A Neighbourhood

Management approach to service delivery in one part of the town, bringing together expertise from across Council disciplines and services to improve provision based on local priorities. Community development was a significant part of his work at this time.



**Katie Clarke** – Katie is the executive director and co-founder of Bringing Us Together, a community for parents of disabled children, young people and adults. Katie is a mum to 6 children including Nadia who has been recipient of Direct Payments for over 21 years.



**Rachel Harkin** - Rachel heads up the new employment advice service for Mark Bates policy holders, ILG Support. Rachel is a qualified lawyer with many years' experience as a legal adviser, specialising in support for Individual Employers.



**David Ashley** - David works for Mark Bates Ltd Insurance and has worked in and around Direct Payments for many years in various roles. David has also been an active member of the London SDS Forum organising committee for over 15 years.

**Who is this webinar for:** Employers of personal assistants (PA's), people who receive Direct Payments, personal budgets or personal health budgets who employ PA's for their support.

If you want to ask questions in advance or have someone support you to do this please email them to [admin@in-control.co.uk](mailto:admin@in-control.co.uk) and we will collate these for the webinar. You can type questions live on the webinar and speakers will take as many as possible in the timescale. Please keep your questions short and general – We may not be able to give case specific advice during the webinar. If you need case specific advice contact [admin@be-human.org.uk](mailto:admin@be-human.org.uk)

We will try to theme questions so we have a range of the issues of concerns. We will also record and make the recording public on [www.be-human.org.uk](http://www.be-human.org.uk)

**When** – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January at 10am

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