

## **Local Authority Duties**

Nature and effect

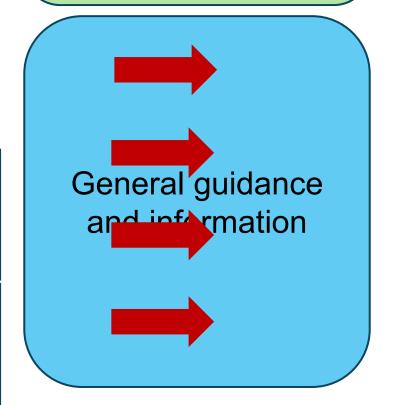
The varying degrees of flexibility and control associated with each option

Explain the Key characteristics

Describe the distinctions between the different options

Duty to describe the responsibilities that go with a DP and in employing a PA

Inform what each of the options means ferson



General Impact

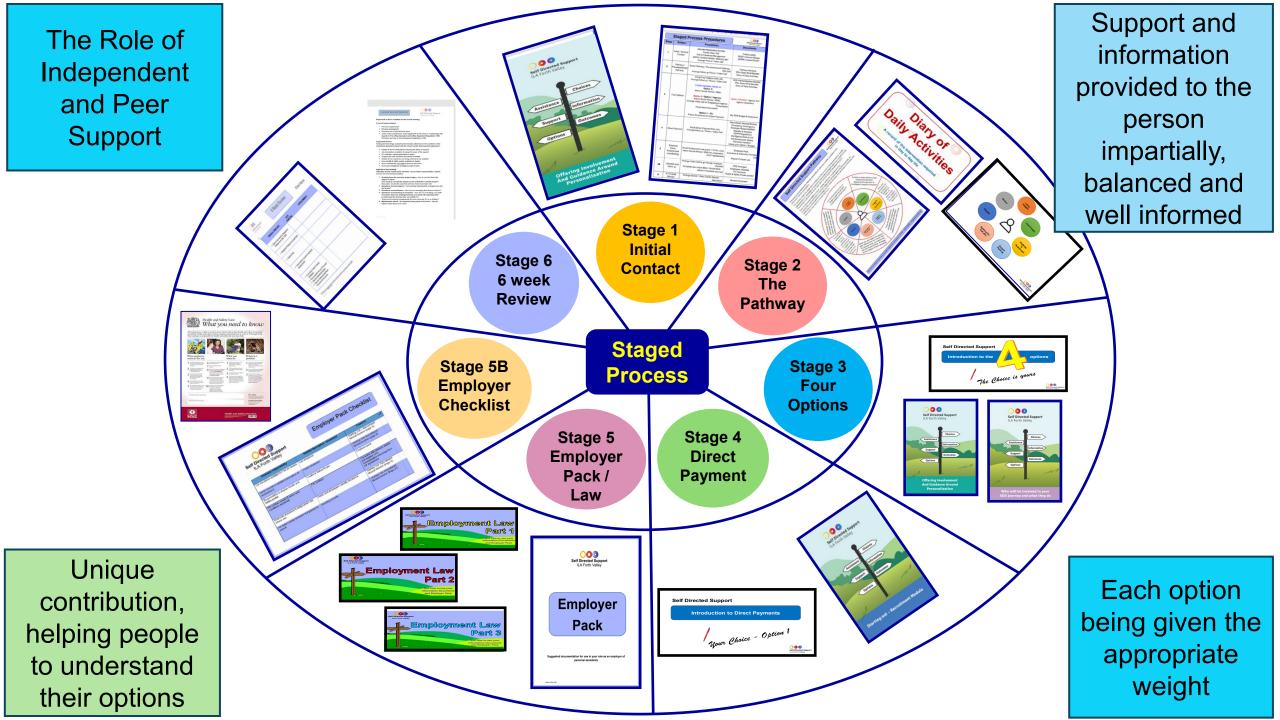
**Specific Impact** 

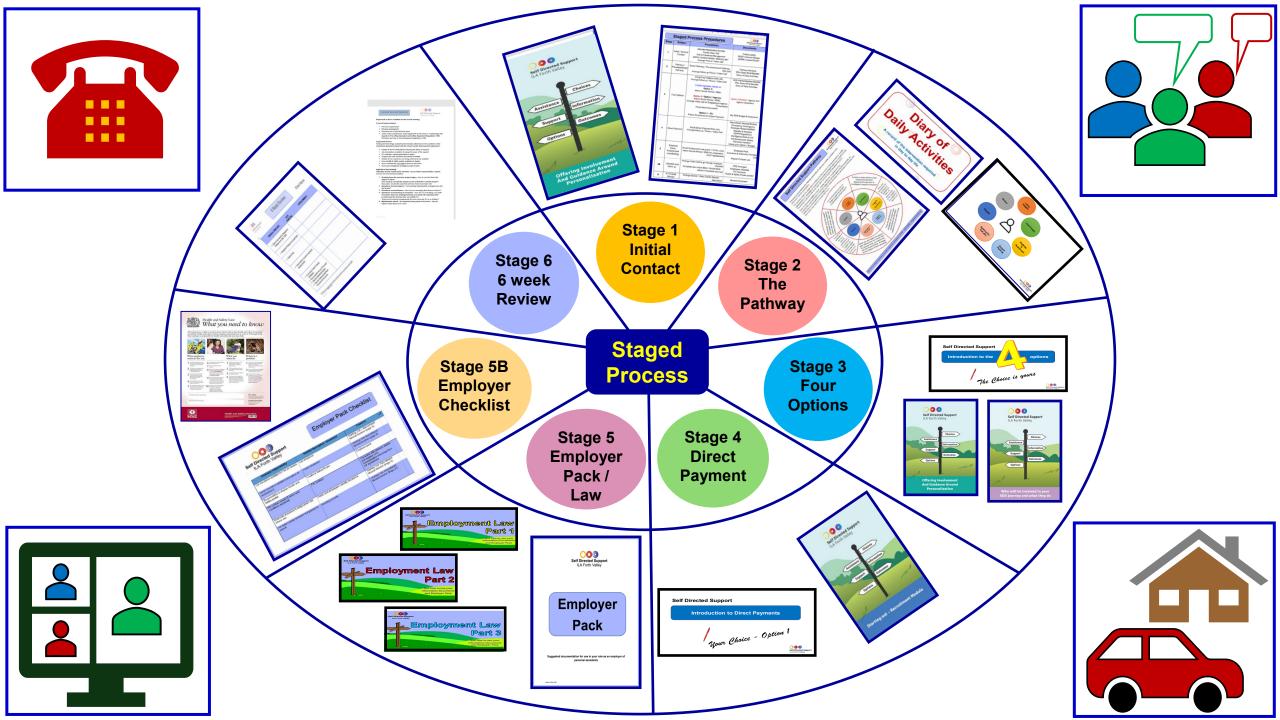
To have support arranged on your behalf

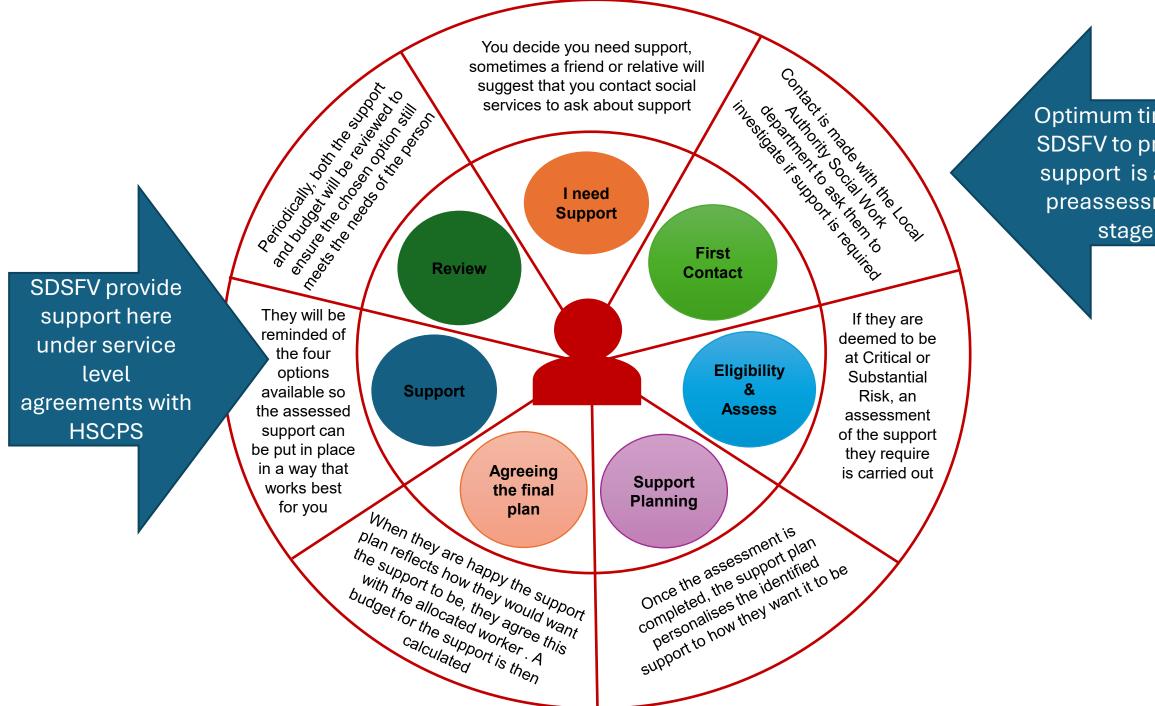
To direct your own support

Duty to refer to support organisations

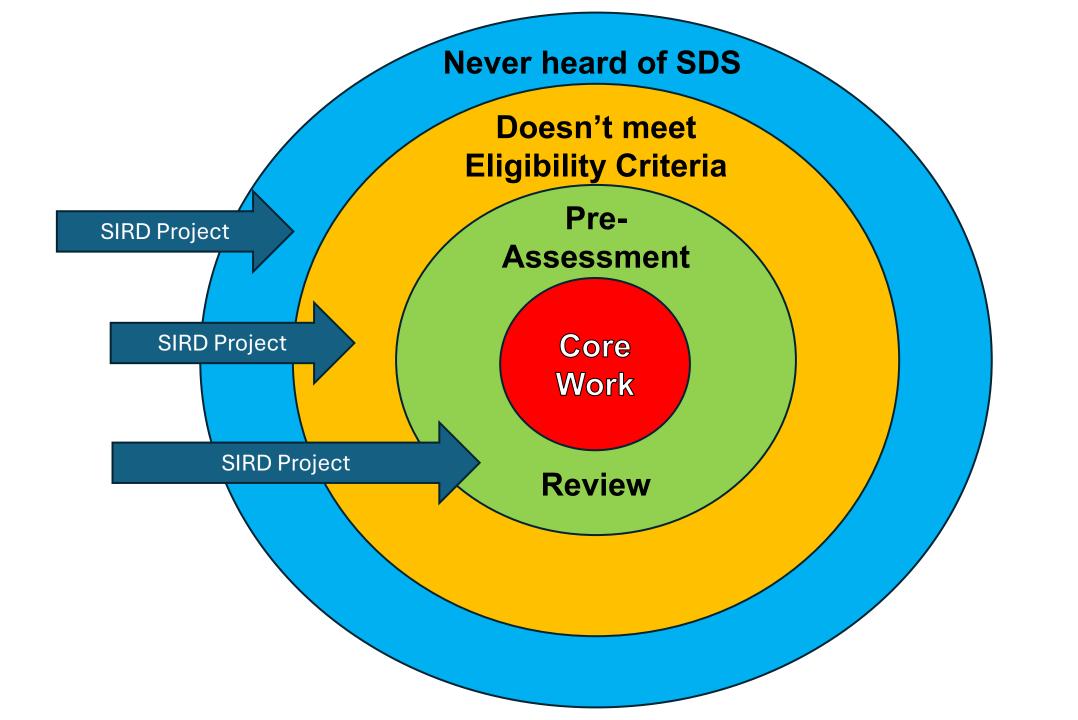
Duty to refer to Independent Advocacy Services







Optimum time for SDSFV to provide support is at the preassessment



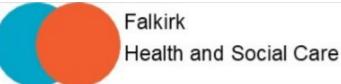


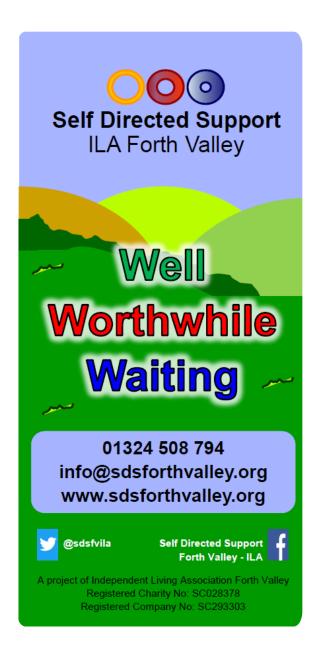


Have the information available but no access to the people on the waiting list



Are aware of who is on the waiting list but no capacity to provide information until a frontline practitioner is allocated





## SIRD Project

Well Worthwhile Waiting Project

- Positive forward planning
- Keeping a journal or diary in the period before your review/assessment
- Get informed
- The persons Pathway Presentation
- Outcomes and support planning workshop





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#### Worthwhile



Unfortunately, it can sometimes take a while for an appointment with a social work professional. Even though this can be a frustrating time, there are things you can do which may help while waiting for your review/ assessment. We want to provide you or the person who cares for you with information and guidance as soon as we can.

In order to utilise your time waiting for this meeting in a positive, productive and proactive way, we have detailed below a number of suggestions you may want to consider in order to do this.

#### Positive forward planning

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- Maintain a positive outlook
- Build / maintain a meaningful life
- · Take responsibility and control
- Actively look for support in the community

Start your own wellness plan.

Identify any challenges you experience, but also record what you can still do well and how you would continue to do this.

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#### **Get informed**

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#### The Persons Pathway Presentation

The Persons Pathway is detailed in the SDS legislation and is essentially the journey you will follow if you meet the eligibility criteria for funded support.

The presentation takes you through each step of the journey, giving you information on what will happen at each stage.

The presentation also explains the SDS Four Options. This is the different ways that you can use funding to implement your support. Having this information will help you to be better able to participate and contribute to the process to ensure that any package of support is personalised to your particular set of personal circumstances.

#### Outcomes & Support Planning Workshop

The outcomes focused support plan is one of the most important parts of the SDS journey. The support plan details what help you need and how you want it to be.

The participative workshop helps you explore the journey from acknowledging the challenges you are experiencing through to identifying your personal outcomes.

The workshop encourages you to expand on your diary of daily activities to identify what your outcomes would be and what SDS option might be best suited to achieving these.

This workshop aims to equip you to be able to

have maximum participation in the support planning process.

#### Coping with stress and frustration

Being proactive and taking control over your situation, being clear about your rights and about the various pieces of legislation will all help in how you approach any meetings with professionals. The collaborative and informed approach will ensure you are well prepared both physically and mentally for this conversation.

Looking after your body and mind can help a lot. Try to remain positive in your thinking and take account of the things that you can still achieve.

#### Carers and family have to be mindful of their own wellbeing

If you are a carer and you become unwell, this will impact on your ability to perform the caring role. Being a carer to someone is invaluable but can be extremely stressful.

The Carers Act 2016 gives you the right to receive help and this is explained in our SDS Carers Pathway presentation. You can visit the Carers Centre website for information and find out what support they offer. You can also self refer to us for information and guidance on your potential support options.

Finding time for yourself can be difficult and it is easy to become isolated. Make sure you talk to family and friends. Ask if they could help. Chat with carer peer support groups to pick up ideas, and don't be afraid to seek help from professionals and organisations.

#### Other support available

Knowing and understanding the support you need can help highlight if you require funded support or if the support can be sourced in the community or through universal services. The ALISS website may give insight to what is available.

#### Useful resources

Falkirk Council Social Work 01324 506070 01786 404040 Stirling Council Social Work Clacks Council Social Work 01259 452498 Falkirk & Clacks Carer Centre 01324 611510 www.centralcarers.org

Stirling Carers Centre 01786 447003

www.stirlingcarers.co.uk

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www.cvsfalkirk.org.uk

SVE Stirling 01786 430000

www.sventerprise.org.uk

CTSI Clackmannanshire 01259 213840

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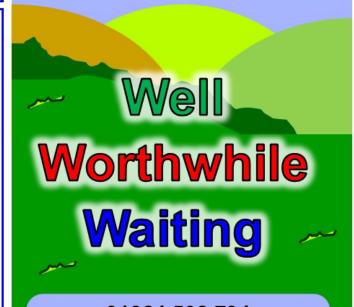
ALISS (A Local Information System for Scotland) www.aliss.org

Care Inspectorate www.careinspectorate.com

#### Remember we are here to help

Whether you are on the start of your support journey or have established support in place we are always at the end of the phone to support you where we can or direct you to more appropriate guidance.





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# Well Worthwhile Waiting

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Raise awareness of Self Directed Support

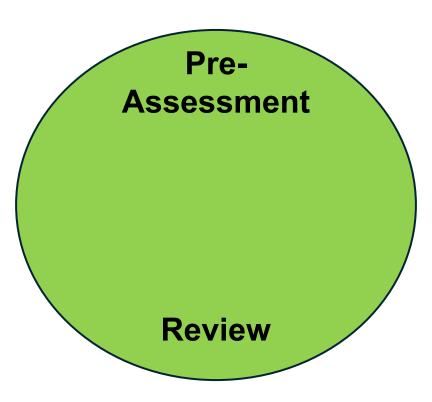
**Pre-Assessment** 

**Pathway Presentation** 

**Understanding Outcomes** 

Awaiting Review of a Package of Support

Staying well while waiting







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## Outcomes & Support Planning Workshop

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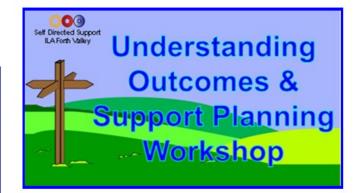
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This goes some way to showing that outcomes are considered a very important part of the ethos and implementation of Self Directed Support.

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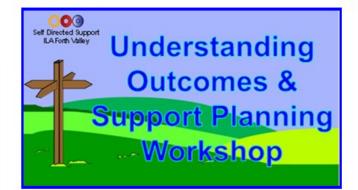
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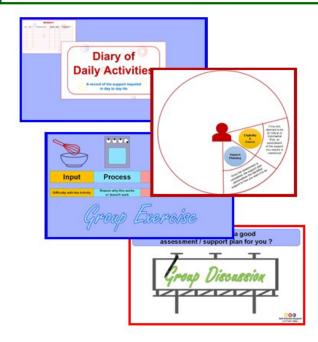
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The workshop is inspired by, and progressed from the work of Emma Miller and Ailsa Cook, authors of the 2012 document "Talking Points" which forms the basis, to this day, of the outcomes focused approach to Self Directed Support.

The workshop is an interactive and participative event that lasts around 2 hours. Using a mix of presentation, group discussion and fun group exercises, the workshop provides not only a supportive learning experience, but also means you leave with knowledge about outcomes that will prove invaluable to enable you to contribute effectively in the support planning process on your Self Directed Support journey.





Following on from our "Introduction to the Persons Pathway" presentation, the Outcomes & Support Planning Workshop focuses on the assessment and support planning stages of the pathway. You can still book onto the workshop if you have not attended the Pathway Presentation, but it would be highly recommended that you arrange to participate in the presentation first.



The workshop will give you the opportunity to explore and understand the outcomes steps of: Input / process / output / outcome, and how to apply this to your own particular circumstances.

Although, the more you participate in the workshop, the more you are likely to get out of it, you do not have to disclose anything about you or your situation, but you will still be able to apply the learning to YOU.

The workshop would be especially of use to people who are at the earliest stages of their Self Directed Support journey or those who are due a review of their funded support. It would also be of great benefit to unpaid carers, when they have had an Adult Carer Support Plan and been referred on for further consideration by Social Work Services, as they will also have their own carer related outcomes.

### How to book onto the Outcomes & Support Planning Workshop

To book a place on the workshop, please contact Self Directed Support Forth Valley by email and we will advise you workshop dates and availability

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Workshop is part of
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approach.
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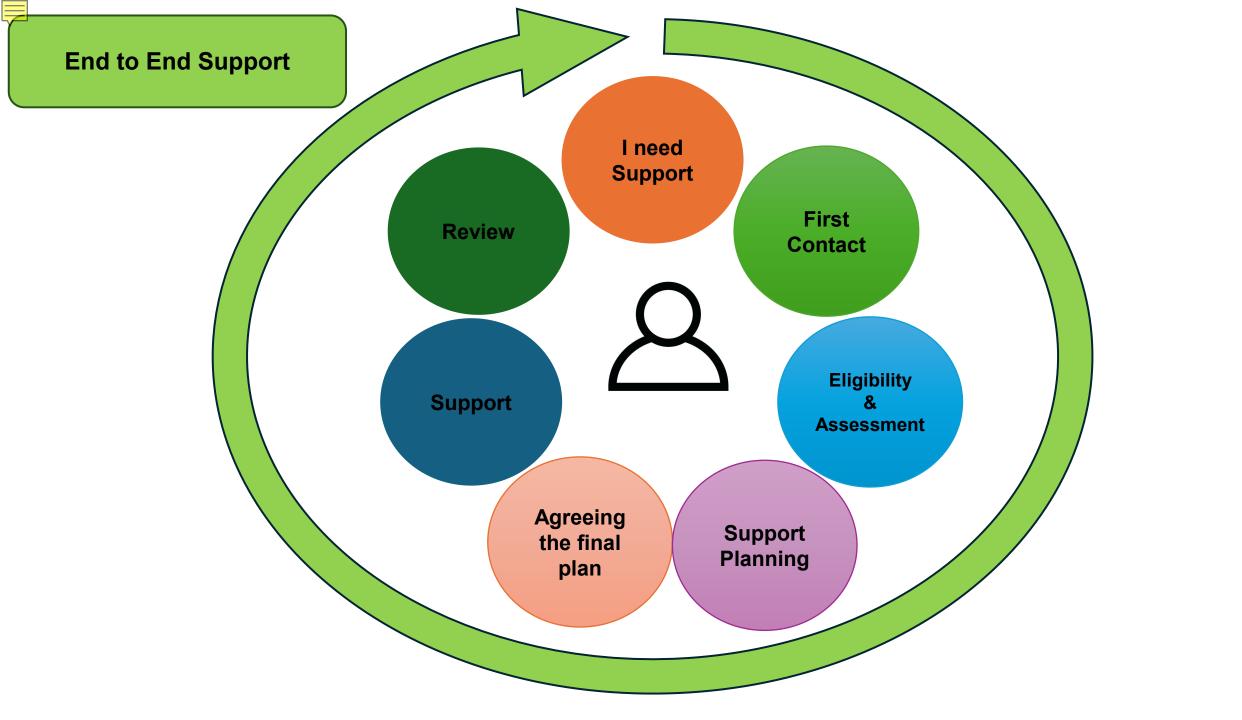
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## Breaking down the barriers

How would this help frontline practitioners?

How would this help people's individuals, families of children and unpaid carers?

How do you deal with potentially raising people's expectations of a funded package before they have had their assessment?

How much additional work would this give the already overstretched intake teams and locality team leaders?

How do you get people to engage at this early stage?

What? How? **Spoke with Team Approached** Leaders frontline practitioners Would this help? Prepared a proposal for Approached the **Intake Team** senior management team Who? Why? When?



## Thank you for

