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Dear Ms Conner,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request which we received on 3rd February 2016. Further to our response dated 01 March 2016 I can advise that additional information has been received, therefore please see the revised response below.

You asked:

'Please supply a full list of medical conditions that require a doctor to do the medical assessment for

1. ESA
2. PIP'

DWP Response:

In relation to Employment and Support Allowance, the following conditions should be assessed by either a Doctor or Physiotherapist only:

- Stroke
- Head injury with neuro sequelae
- Brain haemorrhage
- Sub Arachnoid Haemorrhage
- Brain tumour / Abscess
- Acoustic Neuroma
- Multiple Sclerosis (and other disorders of myelin in the CNS such as Schilder's disease, acute disseminated demyelination, Biswanger's disease, subacute sclerosing panencephalitis etc.)
- Motor Neurone Disease
- Parkinson's disease
- Transient Ischemic Attack
- Bulbar Palsy
- Myasthenia Gravis
- Muscular Dystrophy
- Guillain-Barre Syndrome
- Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
- Syringomyelia
- Neurofibromatosis
- Spina bifida (including occulta)
- Cerebral palsy
- Polio

- Learning difficulties (with neurological problems)
- Nystagmus
- Myelitis
- Bells Palsy
- Trigeminal Neuralgia
- Paraplegia
- Quadriplegia
- Huntington's Disease
- Shingles (cranial nerves)
- Cerebellar disorders
- Basilar migraine
- Charcot Marie Tooth
- Tourettes syndrome
- Dyspraxia
- Dystonia
- Wernicke's encephalopathy
- Hydrocephalus
- Myelopathy
- Spinal cord compression
- Any spinal cord condition leading to presence of Upper Motor Neurone signs
- Pituitary tumour
- Wernicke-Korsakoff syndrome
- Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension

With regard to Personal Independence Payment, there are no restrictions on the type of Health Professionals that undertake assessments, irrespective of the claimant's condition.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact the email address above quoting your reference number.

Yours sincerely

DWP Central Fol Team

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