

To J Newman
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DWP Central Freedom of Information Team

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Dear J Newman,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that was received by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) Adelphi on 20 January 2012 and forwarded on for response by myself, the DWP Medical Services Contracts Correspondence Team (MSCCT) Freedom of Information Officer.

In your email you asked to be provided with information answering the following questions:-

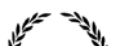
So where do I find the latest version of the LiMA Technical Manual?

This Guide has been produced as part of a programme for Health Care Professionals (HCPs)

In answer to your request please find attached a copy of the Logic Integrated Medical Assessment (LiMA) v2 WCA Review Exam Application Technical Guide.

to carry out medical assessments as approved HCPs. All HCPs undertaking these medical assessments must be registered medical or nursing practitioners who in addition, have undergone training in disability assessment medicine. The training includes theory training in a classroom setting, supervised practical training, and a demonstration of understanding as assessed by quality audit. This document must be read with the understanding that, as experienced medical or nursing practitioners, the HCPs will have detailed knowledge of the principles and practice of diagnostic techniques and therefore such information is not contained in this document. In addition, this is not a stand-alone document, and forms only a part of the training and written documentation that a HCP receives. As disability assessment is a practical occupation, much of the guidance also involves verbal information and coaching. Thus, although the documents may be of interest to non-medical readers, some of the information may not be readily understood without background medical knowledge and an awareness of the other training and guidance given to HCPs.

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Yours sincerely,

DWP Central Fol Team

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