

Jobcentre Plus Support for Jobseekers and Employers

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Introduction – The Partnership Approach

- The Day 1 and 6 month offer to the Jobseeker
- Train to Gain
- Recruitment Subsidy
- LSC Response to Redundancy Offer
- Rapid Response Service

Jobcentre Plus Day 1 Offer

- How to find a new job
- Retraining and how to improve or update skills
- Possible help with rent depending on their income
- How to access thousands of job vacancies
- Further sources of relevant help and advice
- Advice and support if they have a health condition or a disability
- Advice and help for professionals
- Local Employer partnerships (LEP)

Local Employer Partnerships (LEP) Today's business solution

- Up to June 2009 over 1,500 employers had employed almost 13,000 people through LEP.
- Specialist recruitment service
- Access to the wider local talent pool
- Many success stories
- More Information from your local Jobcentre Plus office

Jobcentre Plus 6 Month Offer

- Personalised intensive help
- Work Focused Training
- Providing training linked to local opportunities
- Aim is assist with qualifications, sustainability in work and career progression.
- Work Trial

Recruitment Subsidy

- Part of the 6 month offer
- JSA U/E 6 months
- £1,000 “Golden Hello”
- The job must be at least 16hrs per week for a minimum of 6 months.
- In addition £1,500 may be available under Train to Gain
- More information from your Local Employer Engagement Manager

Train to Gain

- Offered through Business Link Brokers
- Work with employers and their workforce
- Offer training needs analysis
- Create a tailored package of training
- Find reliable training providers
- Providing training from Level 2 to Apprenticeships and Leadership and Management.
- More Information is available from Business Link

Rapid Response Service

- The RRS is to support employers and employees facing redundancy to minimise the impact and help them return to the labour market quickly. Support can include:
- information about alternative jobs
- help to draw up a CV
- help to enhance job search skills
- general information on benefits
- issue of job kits
- advice on re-training
- engaging with key partners
- information on funding available

Rapid Response Service

How is this service delivered?

Individuals can access RRS support under threat of redundancy, during the notice period and **up to 13 weeks from the date they become unemployed.**

- Categories include:
- compulsory redundancy
- voluntary redundancy
- self employed directly affected by a redundancy situation
- public sector employees
- agency and temporary staff where the work ends early due to
 - the economic downturn
- supply chain companies

Rapid Response Service

- Can access:
- Provision to provide a skills analysis interview
- Programme Centre
- Early entry to other JCP and partner provision
- Job focused training - LSC or RRS funding
- Access to Action Fund (RRS funding)
- Newly unemployed offer – Job search Support Process
- LEP
- Work Trials
- ADF

Partner Funding for Redundancies

- Jobcentre Plus working with partners
- More Opportunities available
- Jobseekers can be referred to provider organisations
- Training provided to enhance skills
- Over £20 million available
- Good examples

Useful Contacts

- ACAS helpline 08457 474747 www.acas.org.uk
- Business Link 08450 06 68 88
www.businesslink.gov.uk/northwest/creditcrunch
- HMRC Tax Credits 08453 00 39 00
- HMRC Advice for New Businesses 08456 03 26 91
www.hmrc.gov.uk
- BERR Redundancy Payments helpline 08451 45 00
04 www.berr.gov.uk
- LSC help with skills 08000 11 30 30 www.lsc.gov.uk