

**DATE(S):**

**C1005 07-Oct-09**

**C1006 25-Jan-10**

**Bookings close 1 month before the workshop starts**

**Venue:**

**PHEW Centre**  
52 Bartholomew Street,  
Exeter EX4 3AJ

**Times:**

**10am to 4pm**

**Cost:**

**£40.00**

**£10.00 (concession)**

**Lead Teacher:**

**David Cooke**

**Course Level:**

**1**

Entry  
Level = Pre-GCSE  
Level 1 = GCSE D to G  
Level 2 = GCSE A to C  
Level 3 = A Level  
Standard



**Approved Centre**

# Direct Payments Workshops

Direct payments are available for anyone receiving support through the NHS for a Severe and or enduring mental health difficulty.

Accessing Direct Payments can be a nightmare for some people .

This short workshop has been created to:

- give people applying for themselves;
- those supporting individuals applying;
- Support workers signposting people to the Direct Payments system;

to gain information and help them through the process.

The workshop is delivered by a qualified teacher experienced in using and working with Direct Payments.

**During the workshop, participants will:**

- Explore what Direct Payments are;
- Identify how to apply;
- Explore ways to complete the application form;
- Identify places to get help and support during the application process;
- Identify Ideas on what you can use Direct Payments for;
- Have opportunities to ask questions;

Direct Payments are either one-off or regular payments that are made to eligible people to purchase their own social care support. You could use the money to pay for sessions you would like to attend; use a personal assistant; attend community activities; get a pet; get membership at a Gym or use a personal trainer. You can apply for anything that are not available through the NHS that supports your recovery.

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