

Personal Assistant at Home Network

This information is for people who employ, or are considering employing, a personal assistant (PA).

What is the Personal Assistant at Home Network?

The Personal Assistant at Home Network supports independent personal assistants working in Nottinghamshire.

Network members have completed background checks and can access training, support and accreditation opportunities.

Personal assistants can join the network to access training, support and accreditation opportunities.

You can search for personal assistants in the:

[Personal Assistant Listing \(Your Notts Directory\)](https://www.yournottsdirectory.org.uk/health-wellbeing-and-self-care/pa-directory)

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Why use a personal assistant who is part of the network?

Personal assistants who are members of the network:

- have completed background checks, including an enhanced DBS check
- have access to training and professional development
- carry a digital membership card with a QR code
- can provide evidence of insurance where required
- have access to support when they need it

An active status on a member profile shows that their background checks are up to date.

What are the benefits for personal assistants?

Personal assistants who join the network can access:

- accredited training and development opportunities
- more than 130 continuing professional development courses
- downloadable policies and forms
- a support line during office hours
- lone working support

Are discounts and benefits available?

Network members may be able to access discounts, cashback offers and vouchers through partner schemes.

Discounts may be available for:

- shopping
- holidays
- energy providers
- mobile phones
- insurance
- leisure activities

Some schemes are free to join and use.

What support is available from Skills for Care?

Skills for Care provides information, training and funding opportunities for the adult social care sector.

Funding may be available through the Workforce Development Fund to support personal assistant training and development.

Employers apply for this funding on behalf of their personal assistants.

Funding may be available whether or not a personal assistant is a member of the Personal Assistant at Home Network.

Skills for Care also provides an Employing Personal Assistants Toolkit:

[Skills for Care website](https://www.skillsforcare.org.uk)

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