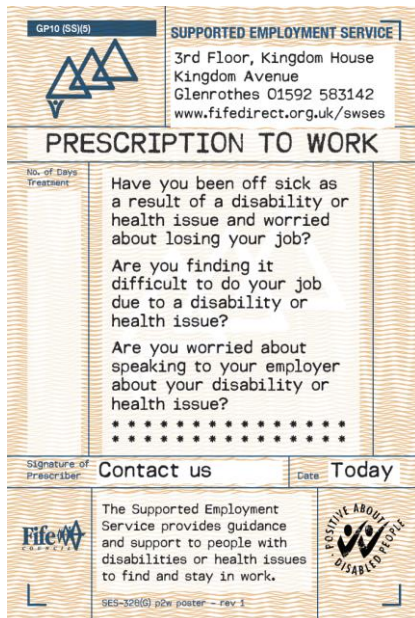


Prescription to Work

Prescription for Work is a Fife Wide initiative that aims to:



The form is titled 'PRESCRIPTION TO WORK' and is issued by the 'SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT SERVICE'. It includes contact information for the service and a series of questions for the GP to complete. The questions are: 'Have you been off sick as a result of a disability or health issue and worried about losing your job?', 'Are you finding it difficult to do your job due to a disability or health issue?', and 'Are you worried about speaking to your employer about your disability or health issue?'. There is a section for the 'Signature of Prescriber' and a 'Date' field. The form also features the Fife logo and a circular logo with the text 'POSITIVE ABOUT DISABLED PEOPLE'. At the bottom, it says 'SES-326(6) p2w poster - rev 1'.

- Reduce the amount of work sickness absence related to disability or health issues;
- Reduce the length of time a person is off work due to disability or health issues;
- Reduce the number of GP patients off work due to disability or health issues;
- Increase the number of people returning to work following sickness absence related to disability or health issues;
- Increase the number of people with mild to moderate mental health problems securing work following referral from Community Connections.

Success of the service to date:

Since its official launch in the end of April 2016, Prescription to Work is now active in all GP surgeries in Fife. We have also developed strong links with NHS Fife Community Connections team who are actively referring individuals who meet our criteria.

To date we have received 15 referrals for Prescription to Work, and these continue to be received.

For more information or a referral form, please contact sw.ses@fife.gov.uk quoting "Prescription To Work."