

# Personal Assistance

for persons with disability

Know more about this important service  
which improves the independent living of  
persons with disability.



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Persons with Disability

# THE 2030 AGENDA

The 2030 Agenda commits to empower people at risk of vulnerability, including persons with disabilities. The 2030 promotes universal respect for human rights, equality and non-discrimination. **Inclusion is at the core of the 2030 Agenda with not only a pledge to ‘leave no one behind’ but also an agreement ‘to reach the furthest behind first’.**

Persons with disabilities are **clearly** included in the following Sustainable Development Goal (SGD)

**3** GOOD HEALTH  
AND WELL-BEING



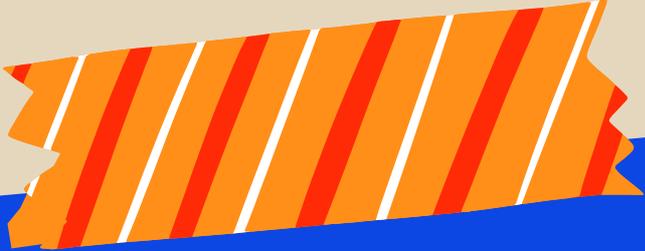
# The right to live independently and be included

in the community refers to all persons with disabilities irrespective of race, sex, language, family or carer situation etc.



# Personal Assistance

refers to person-directed/'user'-led human support available to a person with disability and it is a tool for independent living.



# **PERSONAL ASSISTANCE (PA)**

should be available to all persons with disabilities.

People need different types of support – for example someone with physical impairment might need support getting in and out of bed, eating etc, while someone with intellectual disability might need support when going to shops, dealing with money or with making decisions about everyday life.



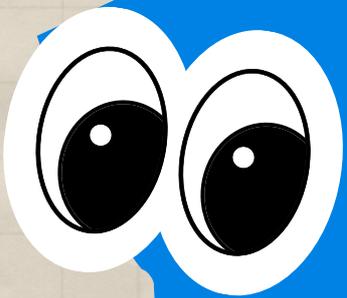
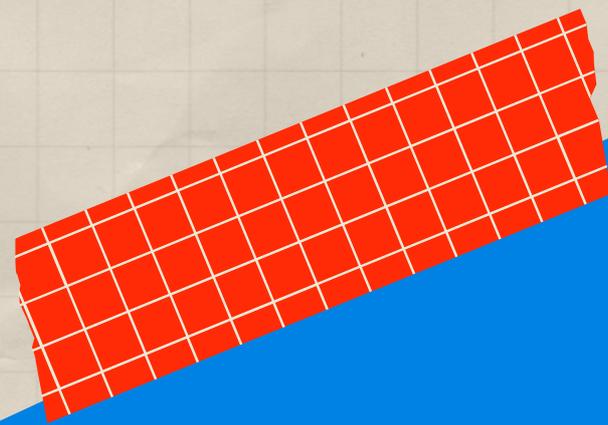
# The difference between a PA and a carer is :

The PA is managed by the person with disability and it is the person with disability who decides who supports him/her, when and with what.

The carer is sent by an agency or any other at a certain time. The disabled person has little if any control over the carer.

Persons with disability should have as much PA as they need.





PA supports a person with everything they cannot do themselves, and helps them live the type of lifestyle **they choose.**



# The person with disability becomes the employer.

S/he receives the PA's wages, which should be paid in full, from the State. S/he should also get some money to cover administrative costs of hiring a PA.



# Allocation of hours

should be based on a self-assessment.

# About MFOPD

The Malta Federation of Organisations Persons with Disability was founded in 1970 to be the national representative, in both local and international fora, for the Maltese disability sector. It is constituted from the active non-governmental organisations working in the disability sector and from persons and corporations who are directly and/or indirectly linked to the disability sector in Malta.

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