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Health & Work Support pilot

The H&WS pilot aims to deliver support to people with a health condition or a disability who have recently become unemployed (within six months) and those who are at risk of becoming unemployed. The service provides support such as occupational health, physiotherapy, counselling, advice and guidance. We know there are so many great services out there, however the landscape can be quite tricky to navigate. The pilot aims to simplify the process by introducing a single telephone number and access point and also streamlining services so the right support is offered to the right people in a timely manner!

We are delighted to announce that Rocket Science will lead the first phase of evaluation. This will be a great opportunity to understand the processes leading to the success and learning of the pilot and will be vital when consideration is given to a national roll-out.

Since the pilot began, we have seen a steady increase in referrals and enrolments. The data for the first two quarters will be published at the end of February. We are working closely with local communities to raise awareness amongst SMEs and collaborating with colleagues in the third sector to expand our presence. With some great marketing campaigns on the go including, advertising at the football stadiums in Dundee, radio and TV exposure alongside improvement workshops, we really hope to get word out about the pilot! If you would like some more information, please get in touch using the details below:

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