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Dear **{MP NAME}**,

My name is **{YOUR NAME}** and I am a constituent of **{**[**FIND YOUR CONSTITUENCY ONLINE**](https://members.parliament.uk/)**}**. I am writing to you today in relation to the results of Epilepsy Action’s Welfare Survey.

This survey highlights the problems that people with epilepsy still face in successfully applying for Personal Independence Payments (PIP).

This is something that’s particularly important to me as **{EXPLAIN KEY REASONS AND ANY PERSONAL EXPERIENCES THAT HAVE INFORMED THIS}**.

Epilepsy Action have outlined a number of key recommendations to address the current problems facing people like me in applying for PIP. These include:

* Increasing the length of PIP awards to avoid frequent re-assessments
* Reversing the £20 per week cut to Universal Credit, and ensuring that this increase is also applied to PIP
* Simplifying the PIP2 application form and providing additional support to complete the form to those most in need
* Allowing people the choice of whether their assessment takes place face-to-face, or by telephone or video
* Improving feedback from successful appeals to assessment providers, to ensure that the correct decision is made at initial assessment and people are not forced to go through mandatory reconsideration and appeals.
* Ending of the use of informal observations as part of the assessment process

As my MP, I am asking you support the work of Epilepsy Action to ensure that these recommendations are implemented, so people with epilepsy get the help and support they need through the benefit system.

**I would therefore be very grateful if you could email** [**campaigns@epilepsy.org.uk**](mailto:campaigns@epilepsy.org.uk)**, to express your support for this important issue.**

Please keep me informed of any progress made.

I look forward to hearing from you.