

Table 1: for whom?	Target group	Number of budget holders	Enforceable right?
1. Germany P.B.	Everyone who needs assistance Many persons with psychiatric disabilities	3.500 (June 2008)	Yes. German Social Lawbook, Book IX § 17 Since 1 January 2008
2. The Netherlands P.G.B.	Also elderly people and children Also psychiatric disabilities	106.000 (October 2008)	Freedom of choice, when a budget only 75% of the cost price of a collective service
3. France PCH	65 year = Age limit, (also a DF agreement for the elderly)	28.600 (Dec. 2007, strongly increasing)	?
4. Spain LEPA	Only for extensive assistance need Also elderly	60 in Bask region, 9 in Barcelona and 35 in Madrid	
5. Sweden LASS	LSS for assistance need < 20h./ week LASS for assistance need > 20h/ week. Not for handicaps which occurred after 65 year	LASS:16.000	Yes
6. England DP	All those eligible for "social care" Supplements for severely disabled people (> 15 and < 65 year) via ILF	67.000 + 20.000 children ILF: 15.290 (2007)	Right to freedom of choice (cash or care) since 2001
7. Norway	Few people with an intellectual disability (only as from 2005)	3.500	No (municipality decides whether PMH is able to 'manage' his or her budget), unless when recent bill?
8. Finland PAS	Serious disabilities Up until today few people with intellectual disabilities	5.000	Yes. New bill Previously just optional for municipalities