

Charity Educational Grants Available

Background:

Health Education England funding for continuing professional development has reduced dramatically recently and any funding received needs to be prioritised on courses that benefit service delivery, and transformation. This may mean that some courses cannot be funded. However there are other sources of funding for courses which may be available to you. There are many charitable sources of funding that you could approach if this is the case, and these have been listed in this document for your information.

This list is aimed mainly for the target audience for Primary and community nursing, is not exhaustive, so please feel free to source other resources.

Please remember to discuss any course applications with your line manager first, to ensure this in line with your annual appraisal objectives, you can be released by service and that your request meets the service requirements.

Charitable fund/ Organisation	Criteria	Website	When to apply
"We support nurses, employers, educators and policy makers to promote the best in community nursing, for the benefit of patients, carers and families"	We offer five education grant bursaries of up to £1000 per applicant to cover course fees and books, available for registered nurses who work in community and primary care settings.	https://qni.org.uk/support-for-nurses/educational-grants/	Grants are awarded through an open application process.
Multiple – charitable organisations listed on website for educational support / other support	 Dyslexia Assessment grant funding Grants are available for course fees and books and can only be paid once. The types of modules funded can be related to training or educational programmes at all academic levels. 		

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The RCN Foundation is here to support every member of the nursing team as they care for patients and improve the UK's health and wellbeing	Our grants for nursing-led research and projects, as well as for education and hardship, support professionals to innovate, develop their careers and get through tough times. There are different eligibility criteria for different schemes. Please check the information for each individual grant when they open.	https://rcnfoundation.rcn.org.uk/Apply-For-Funding/Educational-grants/FAQ-Education-Grants	Grants are awarded through an open application process.

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1930 Fund for District Nurses	To provide assistance to those community nurses in need, hardship and distress.	https://1930fundfornurses.org/how-to-apply/	Grants are awarded through an open application process.
We are committed to supporting district nurses, community psychiatric nurses, community learning disability nurses, community midwives, health visitors, school nurses and other registered nurses who have undertaken specialist nurse education to work in the community	This includes district nurses, community psychiatric nurses, community learning disability nurses, community midwives, health visitors, school nurses and other registered nurses who have undertaken specialist nurse education to work in the community.		
Business Services Authority	https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/sites/defa ult/files/2022- 10/NHS%20LSF%20guidance%20bo oklet%202022- 23%20%28V1%29%2009.2022.pdf e.g. Training/ educational grants Mileage support	https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/nhs-learning-support-fund-lsf	Grants are awarded through an open application process.

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Post Prosent & Future	We aim to help when we can and make a difference, however small it may be. Financial support can be life changing and equally, our educational funds help nurses develop their careers and so enhance the nursing profession.		Grants are awarded annually through an open application process.

Research Nursing support

Charitable fund	Criteria	Website	Application required by date:
NHR National Institute for Health and Care Research	 The NIHR Research Design Service (RDS) supports researchers to develop and design high quality research proposals for submission to NIHR funding programmes and other open, national, peer-reviewed funding competitions for applied health or social care research. Applying for a research grant, the funding committee will look at how you have involved members of the public in developing your proposal and how you intend to involve them in your research study. 	https://www.nihr.ac.uk/documents/a-brief-guide-to-public-involvement-in-funding-applications/24162	Grants are awarded through an open application process.
THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES TRUST	Applicants are encouraged to identify an appropriate research methodology to address their research question. We invite applicants to consider secondary analysis of existing data, early scoping to inform future	http://www.gnct.org.uk/grants/	March 2023

	research design, literature reviews (using appropriate framework), as well as primary data collection and analysis.		
Royal College of Nursing	 "People look for research funding opportunities and help with the cost of post-registration study, such as studentships and fellowships" We promote and engage in nursing research, recognising that high quality nursing 	https://www.rcn.org.uk/Professional-Development/research-and-innovation/Research-funding-opportunities	Grants are awarded through an open application process.
	research has the power to transform patient care."		Please note, closing dates and awards are subject to change

Learning and support funds – Organisations / Alumni examples

Organisation	Website
ELFT NHS Community foundation Trust	https://www.elft.nhs.uk/get-involved/elft-charity
St Bartholomew's hospitals (BARTS)	https://www.bartscharity.org.uk/apply-for-funding/
University College London Hospitals (UCLH)	https://www.uclh.nhs.uk/about-us/what-we-do/our-charities- and-campaigns
Guys and St Thomas	https://gsttcharity.org.uk/
Bedford hospital	https://www.bedfordshirehospitals.nhs.uk/charity/

Nursing scholarships: examples

Criteria	Website	Application required by date:
The Richard Tompkins Nurse Development Scholarship is an annual award.	https://www.fons.org/programmes/scholarships	12 th of Dec 2022
It is a development opportunity, for a registered nurse, midwife or health visitor who is committed to developing person-centred cultures of care. This scholarship is open to practitioners who are working clinically in any health or social care setting UK-wide, and is targeting, in particular, those at ward sister level or equivalent.		Then from March 2023
These support UK citizens from all parts of society to travel the world in search of innovative solutions for today's most pressing problems. The Fellowship is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to expand your professional and personal horizons by researching an issue that you care about, with the global leaders in that	https://www.churchillfellowship.org/	Grants are awarded through an open application process.
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