

Leukaemia Care – Nurse Bursary Scheme 2019

Leukaemia Care is a national blood cancer support charity. We are dedicated to ensuring that anyone affected by blood cancer receives the right information, advice and support. Please visit www.leukaemiacare.org.uk for more information on our services.

Objectives

Leukaemia Care is committed to enhancing patient care through supporting nurses caring for blood cancer patients by providing bursaries towards:

- learning and development activities such as post-graduate university study or professional short courses.
- attending relevant conferences and seminars, including Leukaemia Care nurse conferences.

Items eligible for funding

- Fees for relevant post-graduate courses or professional short courses.
- Delegate fees for relevant conferences and seminars e.g. British Society of Haematology, EBMT etc.
- Travel costs for relevant conferences and seminars but not taxis or mileage.
- Accommodation costs, e.g. for attending conferences.
- Child care costs where these are additional costs incurred while undertaking learning and development activities.

Items not eligible for funding

- Membership fees for professional bodies.
- Books.
- IT equipment or software.
- Meals and subsistence.
- Taxis or car mileage, unless there is a medical or other compelling reason.

Eligibility criteria

1. You must be a nurse currently registered in the UK.
2. You must be working predominantly with blood cancer patients either adults or children.
3. Previous recipients of a Leukaemia Care bursary (including those awarded under our previous partnership with the RCN Foundation) are eligible to apply only if they have fulfilled all the terms of their previous bursaries and submitted their reports in a timely manner.
4. First time applicants may be given priority.
5. Student nurses are not eligible to apply to this scheme.
6. Your course of study must start within one year of being awarded a bursary.

Amount available

Bursaries of up to £2,500 are available and are paid directly to the training or conference provider on receipt of an invoice. Travel costs will be reimbursed on production of receipt.

How to apply

1. The scheme opens in April each year. There is no closing date, bursaries are awarded on a first come, first served basis until the fund is depleted for the year.
2. Please complete the application form below and return to nurse@leukaemiacare.org.uk or via post to FREEPOST RLXX-RJRA-ACRH, Leukaemia Care, One Birch Court, Blackpole East, Worcester, WR3 8SG.
3. If you have any queries about the bursary or how to complete the application form, please call the office on [01905 755977](tel:01905755977) and ask to speak with Fiona Heath.

Processing your application

1. All applicants will have their application acknowledged.
2. Bursary applications will be assessed on the 22 May, 24 July, 25 September and 27 November 2019.
3. Applications must be received at least 5 working days before the assessment date, or they will be considered in the next cycle.
4. You can expect a decision within 5 working days of Leukaemia Care assessing your application on the dates above.
5. All applicants will be informed of the outcome of their application by email or post.
6. Successful applicants will also be contacted by phone to discuss next steps.

Terms and conditions

Your application will only be assessed if:

you meet all of the eligibility criteria.

all parts of the application form are fully completed.

there are funds remaining within the bursary scheme for distribution.

If you are successful, you will be expected to provide a report on completion of your training or conference attendance, describing the impact of the bursary on your care of blood cancer patients.

We would also like you to promote the Leukaemia Care bursary scheme within your department and fellow blood cancer health professionals.

Adjudication process

Eligible applications will be assessed by the Nurse Advisor and a Trustee.

Privacy statement

Your personal information will only be used for the purposes of assessing your application and if successful, to administer payment and to evidence the impact of the service on you. The feedback you provide will be anonymised.

Application form

Section 1

Surname:

First name: Title:

Email:

Phone:

NMC pin number:

Job title (current employment):

Start date: Band/Grade:

Name and address of employer:

Description of present role:

What are you seeking to fund?

Brief summary of the course/conference/seminar and professional outcomes. Please state if this is a module of a longer course.

Start date (month and year): Duration:

Provide the contact details (name, address, phone and email) of the course, conference or seminar provider:

Have you been awarded a place?

Have you previously been awarded a bursary from Leukaemia Care via the RCN Foundation?

Please state how much you are applying for and how it breaks down i.e. are there travel costs as well as course costs?

How will this activity enhance your care of blood cancer patients?

How will you share your learning and development with your colleagues?

Application agreement

I confirm I have read the terms and conditions and agree to abide by them. I agree to provide a written report on completion of the funded activity or to return funds on withdrawal from the funded activity.

Signature:

Date:

If you are successful Leukaemia Care may wish to publicise your bursary award and/or your work. Please tick this box if you are willing for your name and place of work to be used for this purpose:

For internal administration only:

Was award funded?	Yes or No
Amount to be funded	
Purchase order number and date raised	
Exit questionnaire completed?	