

Student Services

Healthcare Education Funding Reforms: Question & Answers Document

Travel and Dual Accommodation Expenses

Will I get any travel or accommodation costs reimbursed for costs incurred on placements?

Yes, if you meet the eligibility criteria and are on an eligible programme you will be entitled to claim travel and accommodation expenses. These must be costs incurred over and above your daily travel costs and must be related to essential practice placements.

Will I be able to claim all my expenses or will there be a cap in place?

There is no cap, however if you meet the eligibility criteria you can only claim for costs incurred which are over and above your daily travel costs to university.

For dual accommodation, you can claim £55 per night for commercial accommodation (e.g. hotel, bed and breakfast) and £25 per night for non-commercial accommodation.

Child Dependents Allowance

Will I be entitled to any additional support for childcare?

Yes, if you meet the eligibility criteria and have eligible child dependants, you can apply for the Child Dependants Allowance of £1,000 per year for each year of study (pro rata if studying less than full-time)

Will my allowance for childcare be reconciled like the current process?

No, childcare costs will not be reconciled. The annual payment is to ensure students are able to continue to study and attend practice placements. The payment is not related to students incurring costs due to their childcare arrangements.

Does it matter if students partner is also NHS funded student on old/new arrangements?

No, providing you meet the eligibility criteria and have eligible child dependants you will be able to receive this allowance.

Do I get an extra allowance for more than one child?

No, the payment is not related to the number of dependants you have. It is an annual payment made to eligible students.

Exceptional Support Fund (Hardship)

Will there be any additional support for hardship circumstances?

There will be an Exceptional Support Fund available for eligible students facing severe hardship. NHS Business Services Authority will be administering this scheme and further details will be made available shortly.

Post Grad Students / Dental Hygiene/ Dental Therapy

If I am studying on a postgraduate programme or a dental hygiene/dental therapy programme commencing in 2017/18, will I receive a bursary?

Yes, if you are studying on an NHS-commissioned place you will be able to apply for an NHS Bursary.

Part Time Course Students

If a student changes between PT/FT what affect would this have on their funding?

Yes, if you change from part-time to full time your funding will be affected. From the date you change, you will no longer be eligible to receive the NHS maintenance bursary and allowances. You will need to apply to the Student Loans Company to support your living costs.

Making an application

When will I be able to apply?

We will provide details on our website about when you can apply for funding well in advance of the 2017/18 academic year starting.

Obtaining Further Information

When will further information about the reforms be available?

We will update this website with more information as it becomes available.

If you send us an [email](#) then we will notify you when the website is updated.