

BURSARY RATES FOR NHS MEANS TESTED BURSARIES (2012 Scheme)

Who can apply?

To qualify for NHS financial support, students must be accepted for an NHS Wales funded place on a full or part-time course.

Eligibility requirements:-

Students must fulfil residency requirements as laid down by the Welsh Government.

Financial Support Available:-

The following NHS financial support is currently available for students on NHS Wales funded courses:-

- The cost of tuition fees
- a non-means tested grant of £1,000
- A means tested bursary. The rates (for a 30 week course) are shown in the following table:-

	Amount Per Year
Elsewhere	Up to £2,643
Parental Home	Up to £2,207

- If your course runs for more than 30 weeks, you may also be entitled to the means tested Extra Weeks Allowance, as illustrated below:-

	Amount Per Extra Week
Elsewhere	Up to £84
Parental Home	Up to £56

- You may also be entitled to a number of additional allowances if you meet specific criteria. Please note that these allowances are **means tested** and the amount payable will depend on your individual circumstances. The allowances are:-

- **Dependants' Allowance:-**

	Amount Per Year (covers 52 weeks)
Spouse / Civil Partner / Partner (or first child if there is no spouse / civil partner / partner)	Up to £2,448
Child	Up to £549

- **Parent Learning Allowance:-**

Up to £1,204

- **Childcare Allowance:-**

The Childcare Allowance pays up to 85% of your actual registered or approved childcare costs up to a **net maximum amount of £128.78 per week for one child and £209.95 per week for two or more children.**

- In addition to the above NHS financial support, a reduced rate student loan may also be payable from Student Finance / Student Loans Company. You should apply via Student Finance / Student Loans Company to see if you are eligible for the reduced rate student loan before your course starts.

Clinical / Practice Placement Costs:-

Students may also be able to receive assistance with clinical / practice placement costs. Students should contact their university for advice on how to claim clinical / practice placement costs.

Disabled Students' Allowance:-

Students with a disability and who need extra help or equipment to help complete their course may be able to receive assistance under the Disabled Students' Allowance. Students should contact their university in the first instance for advice on how to claim Disabled Students' Allowance.

Tuition Fees:-

The tuition fees for non-medical courses are paid directly by the NHS so eligible students are not required to pay tuition fees.

Contribution rates:-

The following table can be used to give students an idea of how much their means tested bursary will be reduced, based on their **parent(s), spouse, partner's or civil partner's** income.

Table for Parent(s), Spouse, Partner, Civil Partner			
Residual income	Bursary Reduced By	Residual income	Bursary Reduced By
Under £24,279	Nil	£60,000	£3,805
£24,279	£45	£62,500	£4,068
£25,000	£120	£65,000	£4,331
£27,500	£384	£67,500	£4,594
£30,000	£647	£70,000	£4,857
£32,500	£910	£72,500	£5,120
£35,000	£1,173	£75,000	£5,384
£37,500	£1,436	£77,500	£5,647
£40,000	£1,699	£80,000	£5,910
£42,500	£1,963	£82,500	£6,173
£45,000	£2,226	£85,000	£6,436
£47,500	£2,489	£87,500	£6,699
£50,000	£ 2,752	£90,000	£6,963
£52,500	£3,015	£92,500	£7,226
£55,000	£3,278	£95,000	£7,489
£57,500	£3,541	£99,833	£7,998

The parental / spouse contribution is the amount that we deduct from your means tested bursary and is calculated at £45 plus £1 for every £9.50 of residual income which exceeds £24,279. There is no maximum contribution threshold so this table could continue.

Where to get further information

- For FAQs and Case Studies, please go to our website
<http://www.nwsspstudentfinance.wales.nhs.uk/home>
- Student Awards Services
Floor 4
Companies House
Crown Way
Cardiff
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The telephone lines are open from 8.30am until 4.30pm.

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