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## NHS Wales Bursary Case Studies

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### 1 – DEPENDENT STUDENT

Student A will be studying at a university and living in rented accommodation during term-time.

His course will last for **42** weeks in the 2021/22 academic year.

He has been classed as a Dependent Student and his parents have chosen to declare their income in order for him to be assessed for the NHS Bursary award.

His parents' total gross income for tax year 2020/21 was **£35,000**.

### How much bursary will Student A receive in 2021/22?

#### 1) Maximum NHS Bursary available to Student A before means testing

Basic Award at the 'Elsewhere' rate	£2,643
Extra Weeks Allowance: £84 x 12 additional weeks over 30 weeks	£1,008
Maximum basic award available before means testing	£2,643 + £1,008 = £3,651

#### 2) Parents' joint declared gross income is £35,000 (tax year 2020/21)

Parental contribution on residual income	£35,000
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$$£35,000 - £24,279 / £9.50 + £45 = £1,173$$

#### 3) Student A's actual NHS Bursary entitlement

Maximum basic award	£3,651 less parental contribution of £1,173 = £2,478
+ Non-means tested grant	£1,000
Total NHS Bursary award for 2021/22	£2,478 + £1,000 = £3,478

**Total Bursary Award for Student A £3,478**

## 2 – INDEPENDENT STUDENT & MARRIED

Student B will be studying at a university and living with her spouse.

Her course will last for **40** weeks in the 2021/22 academic year.

She has been classed as an Independent Student and her spouse has chosen to declare their income, in order for her to be assessed for the NHS bursary award.

Her spouse's gross income for the tax year 2020/21 was **£35,000**.

### How much bursary will Student B receive in 2021/22?

1) Maximum NHS Bursary available to Student B before means testing

Basic Award at the 'Elsewhere' rate	£2,643
Extra Weeks Allowance: £84 x 10 additional weeks over 30 weeks	£840
Maximum basic award available before means testing	£2,643 + £840 = £3,483

2) Spouse's gross income is **£35,000** (tax year 2021/22)

Spouse contribution on residual income	£35,000
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$$£35,000 - £24,279 / £9.50 + £45 = £1,173$$

3) Student B's actual NHS Bursary entitlement

Maximum basic award	£3,483 less spouse's contribution of £1,173 = £2,310
+ Non-means tested grant	£1,000
Total NHS Bursary award for 2021/22	£2,310 + £1,000 = £3,310

**Total Bursary Award for Student B £3,310**

### 3 – DEPENDANTS ALLOWANCE AND PARENT LEARNING ALLOWANCE

Student C has a spouse who is working full-time and three dependent children.

The student attends a full-time NHS funded course and has applied for Dependents Allowance, Parent Learning Allowance and Childcare Allowance.

Spouse's gross income was £18,500 in the 2021/22 tax year.

His expenses in the same tax year (for Dependents Allowance) totalled £9,691.

#### How much Dependents and Parent Learning Allowances Student C be entitled to for the 2021/22 academic year?

##### 1) Income and expenses for tax year 2021/22

Gross income of spouse before tax	£18,500
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Income Tax	£3,740
National Insurance contributions	£551
Rent	£5,400
Total expenses	£9,691

##### 2) Maximum Dependents Allowance before means testing

Spouse	£2,448
3 children (at £549 per child)	£1,647
Total maximum	£4,095

##### 3) Disregard of income

For each dependant (includes spouse but not student)	£1000 each
Total disregards for spouse and three children	£4,000

##### 4) Residual income calculation

Gross income	£18,500
less total expenses	£9,691
less total income disregards	£4,000
Residual income	£4,809

##### 5) Dependents Allowance entitlement

Maximum Dependents Allowance of	£4,095
<b>less</b> residual income of	£4,809 - £714.
Because the -£714 represents 'excess residual income', the Dependents Allowance entitlement will be: £0.00	

6) Remaining residual income (from the Dependents Allowance calculation)

£714

7) Maximum Parent Learning Allowance (before means testing)

£1,204

8) Parent Learning Allowance (PLA) entitlement:

PLA at £1,204 less remaining residual income of £714	£490
Actual PLA entitlement for Student C	£490

The student can now apply for the Childcare Allowance and receive the full 85% (or the capped maximum amount) of her annual costs as the remaining residual income has been absorbed by the PLA.

## 4 – DEPENDENT STUDENT

Student D will be studying at a university and living in rented accommodation during term-time.

His course will last for **42** weeks in the 2021/22 academic year.

He has been classed as a Dependent Student and his parents have chosen to declare their income in order for him to be assessed for the NHS Bursary award.

His parents' total gross income for tax year 2020/21 was **£24,000**.

### How much bursary will Student D receive in 2021/22?

1) Maximum NHS Bursary available to Student A before means testing

Basic Award at the 'Elsewhere' rate	£2,643
Extra Weeks Allowance: £84 x 12 additional weeks over 30 weeks	£1,008
Maximum basic award available before means testing	£2,643 + £1,008 = £3,651

2) Parents' joint declared gross income is **£24,000** (tax year 2020/21):

Parental contribution on residual income	£24,000
$£24,000 - £24,279 / £9.50 + £45 = £0$	

3) Student D's actual NHS Bursary entitlement

Maximum basic award	£3,651 less parental contribution of £0 = £3,651
+ Non-means tested grant	£1,000
Total NHS Bursary award for 2021/22	£3,651 + £1,000 = £4,651

**Total Bursary Award for Student D £4651**