



DR ROSEMARY TOYE BURSARY FUND RULES

Background

The family of Dr Rosemary Toyne have kindly set up a bursary fund in her memory to support the MS Trust's valuable work in educating and supporting specialist nurses and allied health professionals. Rosemary passionately believed in the importance of this work and supported it through her fundraising for many years.

Purpose of the Fund

The purpose of the fund is to enable nurses and allied health professionals to best meet the needs of people with MS by expanding their MS knowledge and skills. Specifically it will enable those who are working in a clinical role with people with MS to undertake higher education or attend courses, conferences, study days or masterclasses to develop their clinical expertise or expand their skills base; including research, evaluation, management and leadership. This includes, but is in no way limited to, education and training provided by the MS Trust.

Eligibility

- Registered nurses and allied health professionals registered with the HCPC who are employed in the NHS and work with people with MS
- Registered Nurses and allied health professionals registered with the HCPC employed by UK private and charitable sector facilities providing direct care to people with MS, e.g. residential or care homes, hospices.
- The Dr Rosemary Toyne Bursary Fund is intended to support those whose work has the greatest impact on the care of people with MS so consideration will be given to the amount of applicants' clinical contact with people with MS and to the opportunity to influence and improve the practice of others.

Rules

- Applicants must submit a typed and well-presented request to the fund using the specified grant application form. Application forms can be downloaded from the MS Trust [website](#).
- An up-to-date CV **must** be included with the application.
- Up to 75% of the cost of any course will be paid by the fund, with a maximum allocation of £2,000 per individual applicant per year. The amount of funding awarded is at the discretion of the Steering Committee.
- Evidence must be included within the application to show that the NHS or other possible funding sources have been approached before applying to the bursary fund.
- The provider of the balance of costs must be stated in the application. Self-funding is acceptable.

- In the case of applications for funding for higher education, requests for funding over more than one year will be considered.
- No requests for travel or accommodation costs will be considered.
- Applications are sent to the Steering Committee for consideration and approval, on the 1st of each month. Applications received after the 1st will not be sent for review until the following month. Once reviewed, applicants will be notified of the outcome as soon as possible.
- The grant will be paid directly to the provider of the educational course.
- Once the grant has been paid, failure to attend the course will result in a requirement to refund the full cost of the award, unless evidence of family and/or medical emergency can be provided.
- After the course the candidate will be required to write a report outlining how the course met their learning objectives as specified on the application form.
- If a person applies for a subsequent award the total amount they have been allocated will be considered when assessing the level of the grant awarded.
- For larger funding awards, the applicant may be asked to write an article for the MS Trust's website.
- Any dissemination of work arising out of funding should acknowledge the MS Trust as a funding source.
- The fund is of a fixed size per calendar year and is managed to ensure that those applying later in the year for funding will not be disadvantaged.

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