



FoNS MHLDA Ward Manager Leadership Development Programme: 'Doing it differently' bursary

Frequently asked questions

What are the deadlines for applications?

Groups 1-3 (Preston, Milton Keynes and Leeds) - deadline for claims 31 July 2025

Groups 4-6 (Bristol, Gatwick and Solihull) - deadline for claims 31 October

Groups 7 & 8 (York and Milton Keynes) - deadline for claims Dec 31

Group 9 – (Winchester) - deadline for claims January 31

Groups 10- 12 (Manchester, Leicester and Leeds) - deadline for claims 31 March

And for spending?

If your application is successful, you will receive a monitoring form with the confirmation email. Please return the monitoring forms within 2 months of the release of monies with receipts and an update on your spend and progress.

How long do I have to wait to find out if my application is successful?

All applications are considered by the bursary committee, which meets every 10 days or so. We aim to reply to all applications within 2 weeks.

Can we send proposed costs and submit receipts after?

We need proposed costs as part of your application, but we realise that prices change. Please submit receipts with your monitoring form, within 2 months of the release of monies.

Can I apply for the whole amount in one go?

Yes, you can apply for any amount up to the full £1,000.

Can I apply more than once?

Yes, if you haven't spent the whole £1,000, you can apply again. This might be useful if you want to hold an event with service users and staff to talk through possible ideas for example to co-produce your project idea.

Do I need to post the application or is email okay?

No post please! Just email your application to culturesofcare@fons.org

I want to do a project which will cost more than £1,000. Can I say that the FoNS bursary is contributing to the cost of the project?

Yes. But we would like to know what aspects of the project the FoNS bursary will cover and how you are going to fund the rest.

How many Cultures of Care standards does my idea need to contribute to?

There is no minimum or maximum. Please don't feel you have to tick all the boxes, just concentrate on the standards that you are really aiming to work on.

Who do I contact for more information?

You can contact your facilitator or the culturesofcare@fons.org email.