

Workforce Development Fund

2021-22



Are you eligible to apply for funding?

1

Are you an adult social care employer in England?



2

Has your learner completed an eligible qualification or learning programme between 1 January 2021 and 31 March 2022?

View the list at www.skillsforcare.org.uk/wdfquals

3

Do you have an Adult Social Care Workforce Data Set (ASC-WDS) account that meets the Workforce Development Fund (WDF) requirements?

View the requirements at www.skillsforcare.org.uk/wdfASC

4

Is your learner's certificate dated between 1 January 2021 and 31 March 2022?



If you can answer yes you can apply for money from the WDF.



How do I access the fund?

There are two ways to access the WDF:

a

Apply directly to Skills for Care

If you're in one of the advertised local authority areas you can apply directly to Skills for Care:

Area	Locality
Eastern	Bedfordshire
London and South East	North Central London, North West London, North East London, South East London, Hampshire, Kent
Midlands	Derbyshire, Lincolnshire, Nottinghamshire , Northamptonshire
North West	Lancashire, Cumbria
South West	Gloucestershire
Yorkshire and Humber and North East	Northumberland, Tees Valley, South Yorkshire, Humber

1. Submit a WDF declaration form by 28 February 2022 and we'll send you an agreement to sign and return.
2. Make sure your ASC-WDS account meets WDF requirements.
3. Submit your grant holder claims submission form along with your claim form and a copy of your learners' certificate to Skills for Care.
4. Alternatively you can apply through a national partnership see section b for more details.

Full details can be found at
www.skillsforcare.org.uk/wdfdirect



b

Apply through an employer-led partnership

If you're not in one of the advertised local authority areas you'll need to join a partnership to apply. An employer-led partnership is a collection of adult social care employers who come together to 'pool' their workforce development needs.



1. Join a partnership – the contact details of all partnership can be found at www.skillsforcare.org.uk/wdfpartnerships
2. Submit a partnership member's declaration form to the grant holder of your chosen partnership before 28 February 2021.
3. Make sure your ASC-WDS account meets WDF requirements.
4. Submit your employer claims submission form along with a copy of your learner's certificate to your partnership.

For more information contact your local partnership:

Full details can be found at
www.skillsforcare.org.uk/wdfpartnerships



Priorities for the 2021-22 WDF

Funding to support new managers, existing managers, deputies and aspiring managers

Claim enhanced funding for aspiring, deputy and new managers completing:

- Level 4 Certificate in Principles of Leadership and Management for Adult Care: claim up to £600 per learner
- Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care: claim up to £1,500 per learner.

Claim money towards learning programmes and continuing professional development modules for registered managers and other managers:

- Lead to succeed: claim up to £500 per learner.
- Well-led: claim up to £500 per learner.
- Understanding workplace culture, understanding performance management and understanding self-management skills: claim up to £125 per learner per programme.
- Skills for Care digital learning modules for managers: claim up to £50 per learner per module.
- Skills for Care 'Learning from Events': claim up to £100 per learner.



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