

Finding funding Fact Sheet

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Introduction

This fact sheet lists some suggestions for identifying possible sources of financial assistance for people in need. It includes books, websites and telephone helplines which can be used to compile a list of possible funding sources. There are also sections on possible sources of financial help for students/education and for research.

How Pharmacist Support can help

We can provide financial assistance to pharmacists and their families, preregistration trainees and pharmacy students. For further information see our website

www.pharmacistsupport.org or contact us:

Tel: 0808 168 2233

Email: info@pharmacistsupport.org

Written enquiries: 3rd Floor, The Pinnacle, 73-79 King Street, Manchester M2 4NG

We also have a number of reference sources in the Pharmacist Support office including access to subscription databases and some of the guides mentioned below. We can consult these to locate additional or alternative possibilities for financial help – please contact us if you would like help with this.

Books and websites may be available for consultation in your local library. Pharmacist Support also has copies of books/access to website so do contact us if you would like us to consult them for you.

The guide to grants for individuals in need 2011/12

Author: Catriona Chronnell

Publisher: Directory of Social Change

ISBN: 978 1 906294 48 9

Price: £75

Lists around 2,000 trusts and gives details about eligibility, type of grant given, annual grant total and how to apply.

The Directory of Social Change (DSC)

The DSC also publishes a range of smaller guides to grant making trusts, for example, regional guides and guides for raising money for particular activities or groups such as sports or young people:

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Registered charity 221438 This organisation was previously known as The Benevolent Fund of the RPSGB.

Guide to Local Trusts in Greater London
2008/09

Guide to Local Trusts in the Midlands
2008/09

Guide to Local Trusts in the North 2008/09

Guide to Local Trusts in the South 2008/09

Turn2us

www.turn2us.org.uk

The Turn2us website provides a free search of hundreds of grant giving charities. There is an A-Z listing of charities as well as a facility to enable you to select criteria, for example, charities that support people with a particular illness or from a particular profession or a particular group, for example, customers of energy or water companies.

Grants for individuals

www.grantsforindividuals.org.uk

This is a subscription only website, produced by the Directory of Social Change, listing over 3,500 charities which give at least £500 a year to individuals, though many give far more.

Self-help groups

Self-help groups, such as charities supporting people with a particular medical condition can, in addition to providing information and advice on living with that condition, also provide information about any particular organisations that make grants to people with that condition.

Students/education

Guide to educational grants 2011/12

Authors: Sarah Johnston

Publisher: Directory of Social Change

ISBN: 978 1 906294 47 2

Price: £75

This guide lists 1,400 sources of non-statutory help for people in education in financial need. Covering all levels of education up to and including first degree, it gives details about eligibility, type of grant given, annual grant total and how to apply.

Directgov

<http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/index.htm>

The *Education and learning* section of Directgov give general information and links to other sources of help on funding for further education, higher education or adult learning.

Family Action Educational Grants

<http://www.family-action.org.uk/section.aspx?id=1037>

The charity Family Action makes grants under a number of different programmes, including the Educational Grants Programme and the Horizon's Education Fund. There is also a grants search facility on the website, offering a search of other possible funders.

Family Action Central Office
501-505 Kingsland Road
London E8 4AU
Tel: 020 7254 6251

Grants Service
Tel: 020 7241 7459

Student Cashpoint

www.studentcashpoint.co.uk

This is a website providing information on student grants, loans, scholarships, bursaries and awards. There is some general information accessible to all users of the site but other areas, for example, the funding search, require registration.

Scholarship Search UK

www.scholarship-search.org.uk

This is a website offering information and an online search facility for scholarships, bursaries and awards available to students – pre-university, undergraduate and postgraduate.

British Council

www.britishcouncil.org/learning-funding-your-studies.htm

The British Council website gives information on funding for study for both home and international students. Its Education UK website has a search facility to find scholarships and funding for study in the UK.

Harold and Marjorie Moss Charitable Trust

This is a trust that provides grants to undergraduate pharmacy students in financial need doing a first degree in pharmacy. Applications should be submitted via the student's school of pharmacy, which nominates candidates for an award.

Teva bursaries

<http://www.tevauk.com/careers/bursary>

Teva offer a limited number of Student Bursaries for home UK pharmacy students who would otherwise suffer hardship. There is no obligation to work for Teva upon graduation.

Funding for research

Pharmacy Practice Research Trust

www.pprt.org.uk

Pharmacy Practice Research Trust (PPRT) is an independent charity that supports and promotes the professional practice and development of pharmacists. Some funding is available for research - both commissioned research as well as small scale research projects that may not be eligible for funding from other bodies.

RPS website

The RPS website has a section on research funding including a directory of funders.

<http://www.rpharms.com/science-and-research/research-funding.asp>

RDinfo

www.rdinfo.org.uk

RDinfo is a website that provides information about funding and training opportunities for UK health professionals.

Individual educational institutions' hardship funds

Check whether your educational institution offers hardship funds to its students.

You could also speak to the student welfare office/NUS office.