

Education courses

Details

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(1) SWVG provides some funding for education courses. We recognise that doing a course can give a significant boost to sell-being, motivation, purpose, self esteem and general health. Whilst a few courses are free, some require payment, particularly for exams. We will provide some funding for Exam Fee Only Courses. Clients with IND cards can do these courses on an exam-free-only basis.

(2) SWVG sets aside £2000 each year non ASSIST money for clients' education. This could be supplemented by money donated for education only.

(3) This money will be used for special cases - where there is real motivation, a strong possibility that the course would be finished and appropriate criteria and rerequisites are met. In these circumstances, up to £100 per client for the year can be allocated.

(4) Clients would normally be expected to contribute to the payments - a guideline of £10 for each of the four instalments. This would mean some commitment from the client and might help prevent clients applying because the money is available, and not out of a real need.

(5) We need to ensure that no debts are run up. It is essential for the visitor to verify the cost of the course and that 'exam fee only' is applicable.

(6) The money would be paid by the visitor, either on their expenses or by obtaining a cheque from the Administrator.

(7) Visitors wishing to apply for a course on behalf of their client or who require futher information should contact a member of the Money Allocation Group.

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