

FUNDING FOR CONFERENCES AND STUDY DAYS

1. The Nurses Board of Western Australia offers funding for conference and study days (even overseas). You can only apply once every three years. Go to their website <http://www.nbwa.org.au/> then go to grants and awards. The relevant forms can be downloaded.
2. Royal Perth Hospital has a Nurses General Purpose Fund which nursing employees can pay into each fortnight (approx 50c). They may then apply for funding for conferences and study days. More information can be found from the hospital.
3. Most of the private hospitals (including Hollywood Private, St John of God Health Care, and Joondalup Health Campus) have incorporated into their ward budgets money for study days relevant to the specialty. You need to approach your Nursing Unit Manager to find out how to apply.
4. The Health Department of Western Australia has funding for study. Go to <http://www.nursing.health.wa.gov.au/chief/publication.cfm?show=list> and click on:

Scholarship Information for Nurses & Midwives in Western Australia 2004.
5. Stay tuned to this space for an ONA/WA education fund that is currently being set up.

NOTE: If you have information regarding education funding for your hospital please let us know at president@ona.asn.au