

FOI 0104/2021 Response

Request

Hi FOI

The information response I received is not relevant to the original question.

Let me clarify the information I need

I need the trust to sponsor me or fund me to complete Masters in Nursing course or Leadership course.

I need information about

1. Is there funding available from BSMHFT for nurses who are on B7 positions in the trust
2. Who to contact at BSMHFT
3. How to apply to access funding from BSMHFT

Response

There is funding available to complete a Masters in Nursing or Leadership course, and the Trust's study leave policy is clear that the funding will cover 50% of the Masters course.

To access the funding the staff member must have discussions with their Manager to express their interest in the course they wish to complete, and then apply for funding to:
bsmhft.cpdcourses@nhs.net.

Please note, that access to the funding also consists of negotiating study leave and ensuring that there is cover for the area the staff member works in. Furthermore, study leave may be granted in a staggered way to ensure equity to staff.

If you wish to have further discussions around the funding or have additional queries, please link in with the Lead for Professional Development Frances Byrne on the following email:

francesbyrne@nhs.net