

Education Bursary program 2023 Instructions for applicants

The Eastern Metropolitan Region Palliative Care Consortium (EMRPCC) is pleased to offer an Education Bursary program for non-specialist palliative care health workers to attend a Palliative Care Course or Study Day.

Many people require a palliative approach to their care without necessarily needing to be referred to a specialist palliative service. This Education Bursary program has been established to encourage non-specialist palliative care health workers to increase their palliative care knowledge and skills to further their career and to build capacity in their workplace.

Eligibility to apply: Any health worker employed by a health, disability or aged care service provider in the Eastern Metropolitan Region of Melbourne. This includes personal care workers.

Eligible Course/Study Day: A palliative care course or study day held in Victoria prior to 31 May 2023 (suggestions below). Please contact the EMRPCC Consortium Manager (details below) to discuss if unsure of your eligibility or the suitability of either a course or study day.

Bursaries: There are 50 bursaries available each valued at up to \$1,500. Applications can be for funds to cover the whole course cost (under \$1,500) or as a contribution toward course costs (greater than \$1,500).

How to Apply: Forward your contact details to <u>consortiummanager@epc.asn.au</u> to request an Application Form.

Applications Close: Midnight on Wednesday 1 March 2023

Your commitment to the Education Bursary program:

- For your application to be considered by the selection panel, successful completion of the free online training: <u>'Palliative Care: Getting Started'</u> or similar (depending on your discipline) is required. The certificate of completion for this must be submitted to the Consortium Manager prior to final scholarship approval.
- Attendance at the approved course for which you have been awarded an Education Bursary and submission of the certificate of attendance to the Consortium Manager. All Education Bursary program funds must be repaid to Emrpcc if for any reason you cannot attend the course for which Emrpcc awarded these funds.
- You must commit to arranging a clinical placement via PEPA into a palliative care service within the
 Eastern Metropolitan Region of Melbourne <u>PEPA Placements PEPA (pepaeducation.com)</u>. This will
 consolidate your learning and provide vital connections with specialist palliative care staff. PEPA would
 provide financial support to your employing organisation to enable you to attend this placement.

Suggested Palliative care courses:

Eastern Palliative Care
The Centre for Palliative Care
PEPA placements

Further Information: Contact Sarah Kleinitz, Consortium Manager for a confidential discussion at consortiummanager@epc.asn.au or on 0413 264214.

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