

Government Grant Guide



How much is Grant?

The Department for Education (DfE) is offering a grant of £1,200 for eligible state-funded schools and colleges in England to train a Senior Mental Health Lead to develop and implement a whole school or college approach to mental health and wellbeing. It is a part of the government's commitment to offer this training to all eligible schools and colleges by 2025.



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What is the grant used for?

The Senior Mental Health Leads training courses are suitable for Mental Health Leads that are just starting their journey, those that are familiar with their role, and leads that have previously engaged in comprehensive Senior Mental Health Leadership training. The training covers the 8 principles recommended by Public Health England, it offers practical resources and the space to network.



Who is eligible for the grant?

State-funded schools, primary schools/secondary schools, alternative provisions, academies, and colleges in England; the setting must be committed to develop or implement a whole school/college approach to mental health.

Identify a Senior Mental Health Lead to oversee your whole school approach. If your SMHL is not a member of your school or college Senior Leadership Team, you will need to consider whether the individual has the authority, capacity, and support to influence and lead strategic change within the setting.

The Senior Mental Health Lead training grant is intended to develop a single person (a strategic lead) in each setting; to learn everything they need to lead the implementation of an effective and sustainable whole school or college approach. Training for additional staff cannot be paid for through this grant, and only one grant will be available per school or college. However, the school can self-fund additional training places.

Finding the right course for your school

At Innovating Minds, our courses have been assured for DfE grant-funded Senior Mental Health Lead Training.

Our remote training is delivered by highly skilled clinicians that have experience in supporting schools to implement a whole-school approach to mental health and wellbeing and of working clinically to support staff, students, and caregiver's mental health.

We are invested in making a sustainable difference; therefore, our wrap-around package ensures the school and Mental Health Lead are supported every step of the way. All Mental Health Leads that complete the training will have access to the EduPod for 12 months, workbooks, resources, and coaching.

We provide beginners, intermediate and advanced training courses. We also provide an **online self-paced course** to allow flexibility. Speak to our specialists to find out the best training level for your school.

Average cost of training is £600-£800
(this may vary for course provider).



Find the best course for you here



Use the online tool to help you identify a course

How do I get the grant?

Grant application process



First Stage - DfE Application

Your eligibility will be checked and you will be asked to make a series of declarations



DfE Confirmation

This email will tell you to book DfE quality assured training course



Choose your Trainer Provider

The course must be DfE quality assured. Apply.



Second Stage - DfE Application

Providing acceptable evidence of booking



Train with Chosen Provider

Successfully complete the training course

Apply for grant here



Apply here
at the Gov
website



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Not eligible for grant?

If you are not eligible for grant funding, you may still train with us at Innovating Minds CIC and **payindependently**. You will receive all the same great benefits and support, such as 12 months use of EduPod, coaching support, access to resources and so on.