

THE ORTHOTIC EDUCATION AND TRAINING TRUST

Registered Charity No. 294114

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Guidance Notes on Applications to the Orthotic Education & Training Trust

The Trust's object is to fund the education and training of orthotists, orthotic managers and technologists, and the training of technicians concerning orthotic devices. The Trustees will welcome any applications that fit into this remit.

The following guidance should be noted, although each case is treated individually and exceptions may be made to the nominal limits indicated. This is by no means an exhaustive list of possibilities.

1. Short Courses and Workshops

Applications for reimbursements of attendance in short courses (duration one week or less), must be submitted via the professional body, BAPO (address at the end of this guidance document), on a form dedicated to this purpose (copies available from the Trust or from BAPO, on request). The course fee, plus travel and accommodation, up to a specified limited, will normally be reimbursed.

All other types of application should be made direct to the Clerk to the Trustees.

2. Postgraduate Training/Study

For applications relating to postgraduate training, in principle 67% of the funding needed may be provided. This is also the case for travelling fellowships to study at overseas centres of excellence and for research training fellowships. It should be noted that 67% funding of post graduate training costs is a general guideline for applicants. The Trustees do however welcome and encourage applicants, who may feel their personal circumstances are warranted, to make a case for funding in excess of 67% of their proposed post graduate training / study costs.

3. Conferences and Seminars

For conferences, a limited number of places will be funded (fee, plus travel and accommodation up to a specified limited), on a first come, first served principle. In return for such funding, the participants are required to make a report available after the event that can be widely disseminated and may be posted on the Trust's website.

Exceptions to the guidance for Conferences and Seminars are the annual BAPO Conference in the UK, and the ISPO Conferences, where the Trustees provide sponsorship for an orthotic speaker, rather than support for delegates attending these events.

4. Continuing Professional Developments Visits

Applications for visits to Centres of Excellence, to enable continuing development in particular aspects of orthotics, will be considered on individual merit.

5. Technician Transfer Scheme and Support of Mature Students

For orthotic technicians and for mature students wishing to undertake the degree course, some funding may be provided, if their costs cannot be met through normal channels such as student loans or university bursaries.

PLEASE NOTE - contact details :

1. Short course enquiries and applications

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2. Other enquiries and direct grant applications

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