

Lived and Living Experience Workforces Tertiary Scholarship Program



New scholarship opportunity for Lived and Living Experience workers Register interest now!

The Department of Health will soon be offering scholarships of up to \$13,000 for tertiary level qualifications to lived and living experience workers (LLEW) employed in state funded mental health or Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) services.

The Australian College of Nursing (ACN) administers the scholarships on behalf of the department. Full details, including how and when to apply will soon be available. You can register your interest on the [ACN website](#).

Eligibility Criteria

To apply for a scholarship, you must:

- be employed in a state funded mental health or AOD service
- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident or a New Zealand citizen
- be eligible to enrol in a tertiary level qualification (ie. bachelor's degree, graduate certificate, graduate diploma, higher degrees)
- have a lived or living experience of MH/AOD from consumer or family/carer perspective
- be employed in a designated LLEW role
- have at least three years' experience working in a designated LLEW role
- enrolled or intending to enrol in an eligible postgraduate course in semester 2, 2022.

Eligible Courses

Scholarships are available for tertiary level courses that build service management and leadership skills. These scholarships are not designed to support lived and living experience workers to qualify as mental health clinicians and funding is not available for degrees in clinical disciplines (nursing, medicine, psychology, social work or occupational therapy).

Applications from candidates wishing to complete higher degrees by research focused on lived or living experience research topics are encouraged.

Selection criteria

A selection panel reviews all scholarship applications. Scholarships will be awarded based on responses to the selection questions and additional weighting will be given to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants, and those who work in regional or rural Victoria.

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