

Professional Development



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As a member of HSA, you've got access to special funding that can help you develop your skills and advance your career. Check this page regularly to find out about different funding, download application forms, and learn about deadlines.

TRAINING FUNDS FOR HSA MEMBERS IN THE HEALTH SCIENCES PROFESSIONAL BARGAINING ASSOCIATION (hspba)

NEW CONTINUING FUNDING FOR HEALTH SCIENCE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDING ACHIEVED IN 2019-2022 COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT

Negotiated in the 2019-2022 collective agreement, with a \$400,000 contribution to the fund in each year of the collective agreement, the professional development fund provides up to \$1,000 per application to cover eligible expenses including tuition, fees, materials, and travel expenses for courses, programs, or conferences.

Applications are now being accepted for courses and programs taken or to be taken between April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021.

[Bulletin - Applications now open for professional development funding for HSA members covered by HSPBA contract](#)

[HSP Professional Development Fund Eligibility and Funding Guidelines](#)

[HSP Professional Development Fund Application Form](#)

One-time \$3mn professional development fund applications now closed

In September 2018, HSA announced a \$3-million Professional Development Fund made possible by a contribution from the BC Ministry of Health. The fund supports members of the health care team to undertake professional development to increase specialization, improve health care service to rural and remote areas of BC, and meet ongoing requirements for professional development.

The deadline for submitting applications was September 1, 2019. No further applications will be accepted. If you submitted an application by September 1, 2019 and need to contact HSA about it, please contact PDFund@hsabc.org

TRAINING FUNDS FOR HSA'S REGISTERED PSYCHIATRIC NURSES IN THE NURSES' BARGAINING ASSOCIATION (nba)

HSA has established a \$115,000 Professional Development Fund available to all registered psychiatric nurses who are members of HSA. This funding may be allocated to the cost of professional development courses and events, which can include tuition, registration fees, related travel expenses, books and materials, to a maximum of \$1000 per application.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until the fund is depleted.

How to apply

To submit an application, please review the eligibility and funding guidelines, and complete the RPN Professional Development Fund Application Form found here:

[RPN Professional Development Fund Eligibility and Funding Guidelines](#)

[RPN Professional Development Fund Application Form](#)

Completed applications, as well as fund inquiries, can be sent to: rnpnd@hsabc.org.

Please note that successful applicants will be required to provide receipts for all expenses.

TRAINING FUNDS FOR HSA MEMBERS IN THE COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SUPPORT BARGAINING ASSOCIATION (CBA)

The Community Health Retraining Fund (CHRF) was negotiated by your union to support workers in the community health sector who have been laid-off, bumped, demoted or had their hours of work reduced due to downsizing, contracting out, cutbacks or closures.

Workers who are covered by CBA can apply for up to \$10,000 toward education and retraining courses and programs.

The CHRF also supports skills upgrading, training and professional development for workers to enhance their ability to stay in the community health care sector.

How to apply

To submit an application, please review the eligibility and funding guidelines, and complete the application package found here:

[About the Community Health Retraining Fund](#)

[CHRF Application Package](#)

Completed applications can be sent to chrf@bcgeu.ca. Please note that successful applicants will be required to provide receipts for all expenses.

Attachments

File Attachments:

-  [RPN Professional Development Fund Application Form.pdf](#)
-  [RPN Professional Development Fund Eligibility and Funding Guidelines.pdf](#)
-  [HSPBA PDF.pdf](#)
-  [HSP Professional Development Fund Application Form \(3\).pdf](#)
-  [HSP Professional Development Fund Guidelines \(1\).pdf](#)

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