

Funding your studies



Funding your studies is one of the first things to get organised, so here are some tips

Your own Practice and PCT

All GP practices retain a sum for Practice Development. In some PCT's the way this is spent is organised by the PCT through a Training officer or coordinator so check with your own PCT first. However in most cases the funding for practice development is retained by the practice itself so you will need to approach the partners or your practice manager if you not the manager already. Most practices will provide some assistance and we will happily answer any questions raised by your partners. In almost every case, the savings amply cover the cost of the course and efficiencies you introduce as part of your course work based assignments.

External Organisations

- Learn Direct – in some cases you may be eligible for help through Learn Direct subject to status
 - Telephone: 08000 150 450
 - Website: <http://www.learndirect.co.uk>
 - Also enquire about Career Development Loans which again are subject to status
- Train to Gain – This has to be applied for regionally done through your employer.
 - Main website: <http://www.traintogain.gov.uk/>
 - Main switchboard: 0845 600 90 06

Region	Telephone
London	0800 634 0262
East Midlands	0845 057 18 17
West Midlands	0800 075 45 57
East of England	0800 387 326
North East	0800 015 55 45
North West	0845 006 68 88
South East	0845 751 22 88
South West	0845 604 70 47
Yorkshire and Humber	0845 604 80 48

Cherith Simmons Payment Plan

- £300 deposit, then equal instalments via direct debit over 6 months

Open Access Course Attendance and times

Course format & Attendance	Course Hours
Morley College. 20 days (Fridays)	9:30am – 4.45pm
Effective Receptionist 8 half or whole day attendance on Morley College or Fast Track Courses	9:30am – 4.45pm
Fast Track Open Access 7 x 2 day blocks (Mainly weekends or Friday/Saturday)	1 st Day 9:30am – 6.00pm 2 nd Day 9:00am – 4:45pm
Distance Learning 2 day induction & 1 day assessment (Mainly weekends or Friday/Saturday)	1 st Day 9:30am – 6.00pm 2 nd Day 9:00am – 4:45pm