Queen's Nurse Leadership 1

FAQs

Q. Is there a closing date for this course?

A. No, we will review applications as they come in and will close applications once places are filled.

Q. Does it matter who my employer is?

A. No, so long as you are employed as a registered nurse or midwife and work in a community or primary care setting then you can apply.

Q. Do I need permission or nomination from my line manager or Nurse Director before I can apply?

A. We would encourage you to discuss your application with someone who supports you at work, particularly as you may need to discuss time away from work to attend. However, you do not need someone to nominate you, you can apply directly.

Q. Can I apply for the Queen's Nurse Leadership courses if I do not work in Scotland?

A. No, you need to be employed in Scotland to apply.

Q. What is meant by community nursing/midwifery?

A. Community nursing and midwifery includes but is not limited to, care home nursing, district nursing, health visiting, school nursing, general practice nursing, prison and custody services, community mental health, community learning disabilities, and many community hospital settings. If you are unsure whether you are eligible, please contact the programme lead who can advise you.

Q. What is meant by a 'clinical setting'?

A. You will be working directly with patients, clients, or service users and/or closely with teams in a clinical setting.

Q. Do I have to commit to completing all three courses - QNL1, QNL2, and QNA

A. No, you can choose to do only one or two courses if you prefer.

However:

- you must start with QNL1

- you cannot do QNL2 without first doing QNL1
- you cannot do QNA without first doing both QNL1 and QNL2

Q. Is there a timescale for completing all three courses?

A. No. As a guide we expect that participants who choose to progress through all three courses would have 3-24 months between each one. If you are unsure, please contact us.

Q. When can I call myself a Queen's Nurse?

A. You will be awarded the title of Queen's Nurse on successful completion of all three courses.

Q. I am not sure if this is right for me, where can I get more information?

A. You can arrange an informal chat with Emma, our programme lead – emma.legge@qnis.org.uk

Q. When does my nonrefundable £75 booking fee need to be paid?

A. You will be asked to pay when you are offered a place on a course; payment must be paid within 7 working days and is non-refundable. If this is not received within this timescale, your place may be offered to someone else.

Q. Why am I being asked to pay a booking fee?

A. The full cost of providing the course far exceeds both the amount we ask participants to pay and the amount of funding we receive from grant-making trusts. The non-refundable booking fee helps cover administration costs and helps reduce the risk of people booking a place and then not attending.

Q. When do I need to pay my course fees?

A. Course fees must be paid in full at least 30 days before the course starts. Due dates for payment are clearly shown on the website. If your course fees are not received by the date stated, your place may be offered to someone else.

Q. What if I miss the deadline for course payment?

A. Deadlines play an important role in managing our work to be able to effectively administer our courses. We understand that there are a variety of reasons why a payment deadline might be missed, and while we try to be flexible, it is also important that the process is fair to all applicants.

If you have missed the deadline, please email QNDP@qnis.org.uk as soon as possible. Your email should confirm that you still wish to progress an application and provide a

brief reason for missing the payment deadline. Staff will decide whether an extension can be offered dependent on the volume of requests and staff capacity at the time.

The reasons applicants have missed the deadline will not influence the decision. Our only reason for requesting this information is to better understand the reasons deadlines have been missed, so all you need to tell us is a single sentence factual statement.

If you are offered the opportunity to make a late payment, you will be informed of a deadline by which payment should be received. No further extensions will be granted.

Q. What if I can no longer attend the course after I have booked my place?

A. If you cancel up to 30 days before the course start date you will be refunded your course fees in full (minus your non-refundable booking fee). If you cancel less than 30 days before the start of the course, no refund will be given.
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