Nurses Stipend and Travel Allowance

Student guide

Hands-on training is an essential component of your learning experience. Financial circumstances, combined with the distance from home, might make attending certain practical placements difficult.

The State Government has introduced the *Nurses Stipend and Travel Allowance to Attend Placements Program* (program) to support regional students who need to travel to complete their practical placements.

The program will provide a subsidy for travel expenses to your placement location as well as provide you with a stipend to help with the cost of living while you are away from home. The stipend and travel allowance can be claimed prior to the start of your training placement. Students will receive a first payment of 30% of your total claim amount before your placement training begins and the final 70% after the training placement is completed. Applications must be submitted online through the Department's website.

The program can:

- · Provide financial support for your practical placements.
- · Reduce financial obstacles you might face.
- Support your professional development during practical training.

The program is available to eligible regional students for all placements undertaken outside of a student's local area, between 1 January 2024 and 31 December 2025.

Terms and Conditions: Students must be permanent residents and reside in regional WA. Overseas, interstate, and students receiving Commonwealth or State funding that reimburses placement costs are ineligible for the program. Refer to the business rules on the Department's website.

What's in it for you?

STUDENTS TRAVELLING TO AND TEMPORARILY RESIDING NEAR THEIR PLACEMENT	Claim amount
Travel from the Pilbara and Kimberley Regions to Perth	\$1,000
Travel from any other region except Peel to Perth, travel intra or inter-regional and required to stay for the placement	\$500
STUDENTS TRAVELLING <u>DAILY</u> BETWEEN HOME AND PLACEMENT	Claim amount
Travelling daily more than 71 km round trip includes Peel	\$350

An allowance to help with the cost of living, while you are away from home:

 A stipend of \$350 per week for each placement is available for students from all regions who are required to stay away from home. (except the Peel region)

