

“we fund the
development
of social
care staff”

TSI funding

are you missing out?



what is TSI?

During 2008-09, Skills for Care receive money from the Department of Health, to help employers fund Induction and NVQ training. Training Strategy Implementation (TSI) funding is a contribution to the cost of learning and assessment. It is managed through contracts with employer-led partnerships, regionally and nationally.

how much is the funding?

Skills for Care contributes £80 per NVQ unit or per Induction claimed and £160 per Assessor award. The units need to have been completed and signed off between 1 January 2008 – 17 March 2009.

what qualifications does TSI funding cover?

Social Care NVQs and other related units from level 2 through to level 4 Registered Managers Award, Leadership and Management, assessor units, Common Induction Standards (CIS) and LDQ induction. A list of acceptable units is available from your lead partner or the Skills for Care website.

who can apply for TSI?

Any care provider delivering adult social care services can apply. This includes individuals who employ their own care and support staff including recipients of direct payments, individual budgets, self-funders and others.

when can I apply for TSI funding?

The TSI funding year runs from 1 April 2008 to 30 March 2009, but units achieved between 1 January 2008 and 17 March 2009 can be claimed for.

do I have to complete the NMDS-SC?

In order to be eligible for TSI funding you must complete and annually



update the National Minimum Data Set for Social Care (NMDS-SC). The NMDS-SC is a web-based system which gathers up to date workforce data on the social care sector. For more information visit www.nmds-sc-online.org.uk.

can I claim for all employees?

There are no age or qualification restrictions for employees. Employees must be working in a care or support related role with a valid National Insurance number. It is the responsibility of the employer to make a TSI claim, not the individual employees.

do I have to be CSCI registered?

No, non-registered care employers can apply for TSI funding.

who is the funding paid to?

Skills for Care pay the lead partners, who will then pay the money on to the employers within their partnership. The money is paid by cheque or via BACS transfer.

how quickly will I receive the funding?

Skills for Care aim to pay lead partners within 30 working days of receiving correctly completed evidence.

what evidence do I need to support a claim?

Lead partners will provide employers who are members of their partnership with a claim form for inductions and, for inductions, the inductee and manager must sign them once completed. NVQ units can be claimed on unit summary sheets provided by training providers, however these must meet the criteria set by Skills for Care. Alternatively these forms can be found on the Skills for Care website.



For more information contact your local Skills for Care office or access the following websites -

www.skillsforcare.org.uk

www.nmds-sc-online.org.uk

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how to claim TSI funding 2008/09

Employers must join a Partnership in order to access funding.

Are you currently in a **TSI employer-led partnership**?

yes

Contact partnership and request an 2008/09 Employer Funding Information Pack. You will need to update your NMDS-SC online prior to submitting a claim under the 2008/09 TSI year.

Lead partner will confirm that above has been completed and that you are ready to submit any claims.

When units are achieved employers should submit claims to the lead partner of the partnership joined along with required evidence.

The respective Lead Partner will process the claims for the funding. Skills for Care will pay the lead partner within 30 working days on receipt of the valid claims.

Claims can be submitted throughout the year. The lead partner must submit the final claims for the funding year to Skills for Care by 30 March 2009, so they may set an earlier deadline for you.

no

Contact your local Skills for Care regional office for further information and a list of regional partnerships.

Contact the partnerships in your area to find out what they offer and ask about any administrative or membership fees they charge.

Upon selecting a partnership, you need to request an employer pack from them.

You must then register your organisation with the NMDS-SC Online.

Complete your partnership application form (including your NMDS-SC reference number). Return form to your partnership.

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