

LDSS Funding for Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training for Adult Social Care Providers

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Supporting essential training for social
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Purpose and Overview

LDSS Funding Purpose

LDSS offers financial support to adult social care providers for workforce development on learning disability and autism training and other training.

The overall funding pot is limited. There are currently 2 separate, ring-fenced funds for:

If either of the ring-fenced funds is exhausted, no further claims made in relation to that fund will be reimbursed. As the funds are ring-fenced, funding designated for Oliver's Training will not be used for other eligible course claims and vice versa.

[Eligible Training List](#)

Scheme Overview and Objectives

LDSS Scheme Launch

LDSS launched in September 2024 to support the non-regulated adult social care workforce by reimbursing course costs.

Ring-Fenced Funds

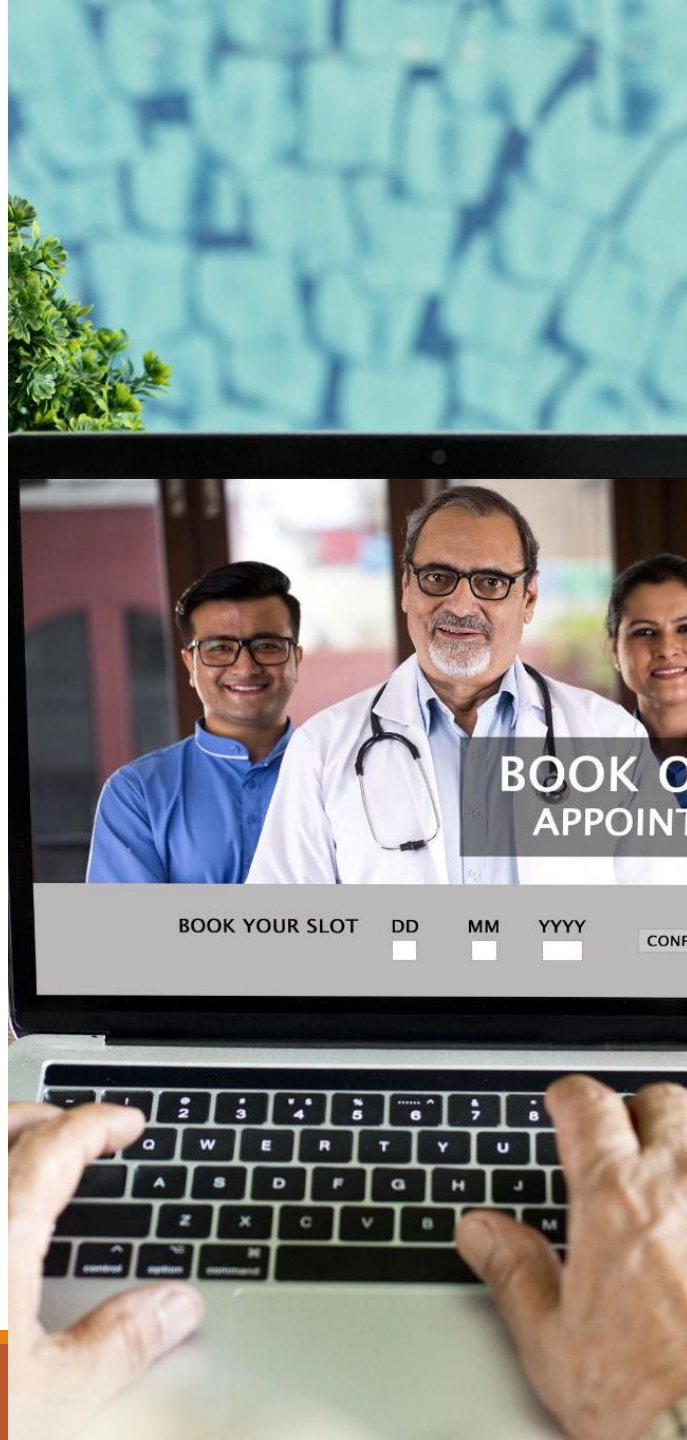
For 2025–26, two ring-fenced funds cover Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training and other approved courses.

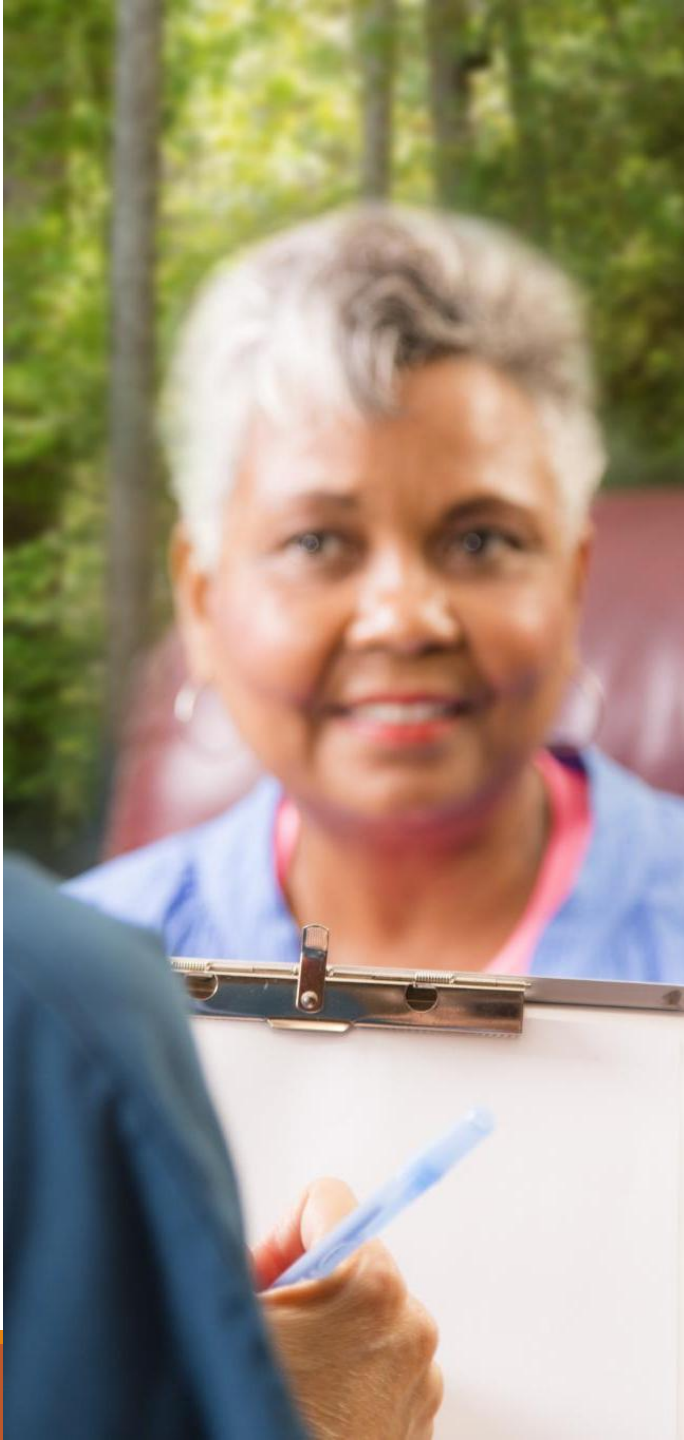
Claims and Onboarding Process

Claims must be submitted within three months; providers onboard through LDSS portal maintaining ASC-WDS accounts.

Scheme Objectives

The scheme aims to professionalise care workforce, improve skills, and enhance service quality in adult social care.





Employers and Staff Requirements

Funding Eligibility Criteria

Employers must provide adult social care services and keep an updated ASC-WDS account to claim LDSS funding.

CQC Registration Requirement

For OMMT funding, employers need to be registered with the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

Eligible Staff Categories

Eligible staff include non-regulated care workers, agency staff, deputy managers, and CQC-registered managers.

Employment and Legal Requirements

Staff must have a UK National Insurance number and be legally employed in England with no restrictions on working hours or nationality.

Step-by-Step Guide

Onboarding and Account Setup

Providers must complete the LDSS onboarding form and confirm their ASC-WDS account is active before proceeding.



Onboarding Form –

This form should take around 5 minutes to complete. After completing, you'll be contacted by the NHSBSA to arrange an onboarding appointment. Aim to be in touch within 2 weeks, though please note that timelines may vary according to demand.

At your onboarding appointment, team will support you to set up an account and guide you through the claims process. You'll then be ready to start claiming and receiving payment.

Training and Claim Submission

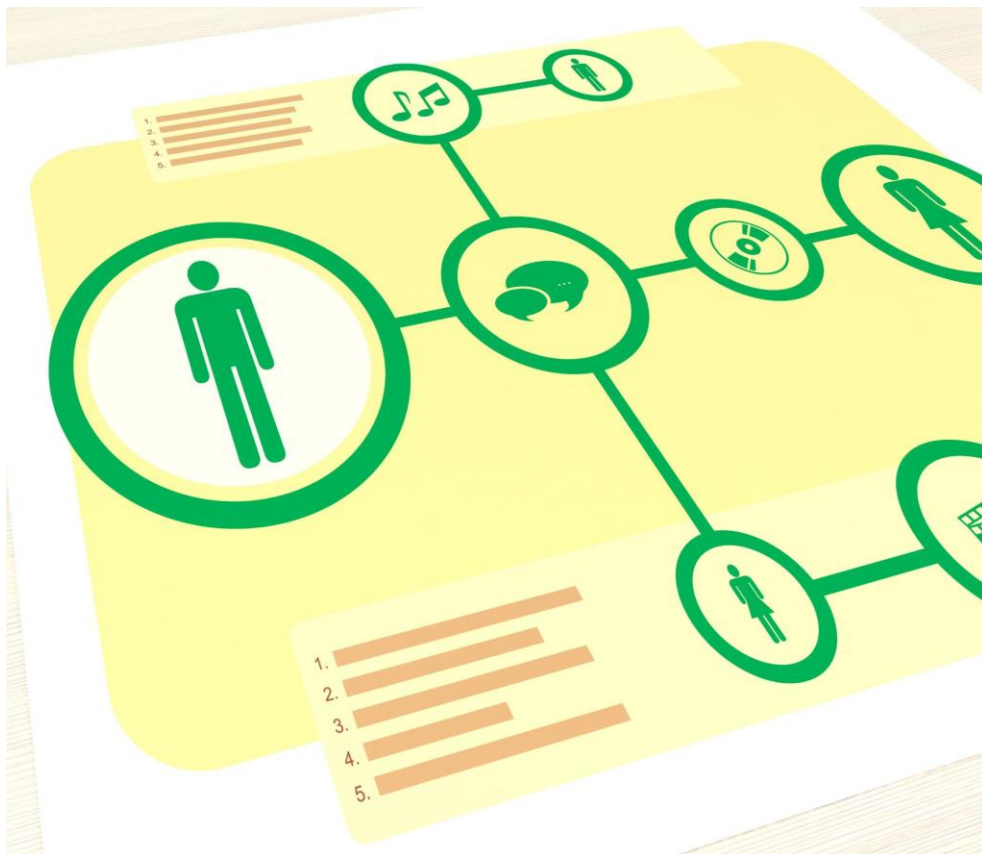
After training booking and completion, providers submit claims with required evidence through the LDSS online portal.

Evidence and Validation

Proof of payment, completion certificates, and staff details are required; NHSBSA validates claims to ensure accuracy.

Reimbursement and Compliance

Reimbursements occur within two to six weeks; fraudulent claims are recovered and compliance checks may be conducted.



Deadlines and Regulatory Expectations

Training Reimbursement Period

Training completed and paid between April 2025, and March 2026 qualifies for reimbursement under set deadlines.

Claims Submission Deadlines

OMMT claims accepted until 20 March 2026, while standard LDSS claims require submission within three months post-course.

Regulatory Compliance

Providers must adhere to the Oliver McGowan Code and CQC standards to ensure statutory compliance and quality training delivery.

Record Keeping and Inspections

Maintaining accurate records and demonstrating compliance during inspections is critical to avoid penalties and ensure quality care.

Action Plan for Providers

Staff Training Identification

Providers must identify staff needing

Tier 1 or Tier 2 training and update ASC-WDS accounts promptly.



Training Delivery and Evidence

Decide on training delivery methods and gather necessary evidence to support funding claims effectively.

Scheduling and Deadlines

Schedule training early to avoid funding loss and set internal deadlines to meet the March 2026 cut-off.

Resource Access and Support

Utilize GOV.UK LDSS guidance and engage with Integrated Care Boards for smooth implementation.

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