

Guidelines for health and social care professionals when writing medical evidence for disabled students with an NHS Bursary

This student is requesting support at university and will require medical evidence

To meet the criteria for funded support, the evidence must demonstrate that the student is disabled in accordance with the Equality Act (2010) definition:

"a physical or mental impairment that has a 'substantial' and 'long-term' negative effect on your ability to do normal daily activities"

If the information you provide does not demonstrate this, the student will not be able to access funded support.

NHS Bursaries require the following information on **letter-headed paper** with a signature from a GP, Consultant or Specialist:

- the diagnosis
- the duration of the symptoms and whether the diagnosis is long-term
- the impact of the condition on day-to-day activities
- the impact of the condition on studies
- details of any medication and reported side effects, and plans for future treatment, if any

Thank you for supporting this student.

