

GUIDELINES FOR UTILIZATION OF MNU \$200 EDUCATIONAL ALLOWANCE

(Initiated in MNU contract)

STATEMENT OF POLICY:

The Winnipeg Regional Health Authority (WRHA) and its nine facilities support the need for continuing education as a means of professional growth and development. To facilitate this, a consistent process will be implemented to ensure access by MNU members to the educational funds referenced in the collective agreement as follows:

"A nurse shall be granted, upon written request, funding up to a maximum of \$200 annually to attend approved workshops, courses, and other programs that are relevant to the nurse's current areas of practice. Such requests must be submitted to the senior nursing manager or designate prior to attendance at such program. Reimbursement for tuition or registration shall occur upon satisfactory completion of the workshop, course, or educational program."

PRINCIPLES:

- Each nurse must have completed the MNU \$200 Educational Allowance Application for Attendance at an Educational Session Form (see attached) prior to reimbursement. No advance payments will be made. Applicants must complete and submit the following for reimbursement to the Clinical Manager/Program Director:
 - MNU \$200 Educational Allowance Application for Attendance at an Educational Session Form
 - WRHA Expense Claim Form
- 2. Each nurse regardless of status (full-time, part-time, or casual) can be reimbursed to a maximum of \$200 per annum. Annual is defined as the fiscal year: April March.
- 3. The Clinical Manager/Program Director are responsible for final approval of attendance.

PROCEDURE:

- 1. The nurse must receive written approval for funds <u>prior to attendance</u> at the educational session by completing the MNU \$200 Educational Allowance Application for Attendance at an Educational Session Form. The Manager/Program Administrative Assistant should ensure MNU \$200 allowance has not been utilized in the current year prior to authorization.
- 2. Upon written approval, time-off to attend the educational session is arranged.
- 3. The nurse completes the MNU \$200 Educational Allowance Application for Attendance at an Educational Session Form and the WRHA Expense Claim Form and attaches verification and original receipts.
- 4. The nurse submits the both above-mentioned forms to the Clinical Manager/Program Director for signature.
- 5. The Clinical Manager/Program Director completes the approval portion and forwards forms to the respective Program Administrative Assistant for processing.
- 6. On a standardized report template, the Program Administrative Assistant tracks expenses utilized by each nurse within the respective program for the fiscal year. Once transaction entered, the completed forms are forwarded to WRHA Finance for reimbursement. SAP cost centre to be utilized by each is: 11300116.

MNU \$200 EDUCATIONAL ALLOWANCE APPLICATION FOR ATTENDANCE AT AN EDUCATIONAL SESSION

Name:		Facility:
Address:		Postal Code:
Position:		Patient Care Unit:
Telephone:		(Home)
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1. Name of Educationa	Session (attach brock	hure and original receipt):
2. Location:		
3. Date(s):		
4. Objectives for Atten	ding:	
APPROVAL FOR INTENT:		
Previous \$200 Allocation i	n Current Fiscal Year:	□ NO □ YES
If YES, previous amount av	varded in current fisco	al year: _\$
Clinical Manager Signature:		Date:
APPROVAL:		
Clinical Manager/Program	n Director Signature:	
Date:	SAP Cost Centre (11300116):	 ☐ Medicine ☐ Surgery ☐ Education Resources ☐ MNU Resource ☐ Mental Health
Registration Amount: \$	Amount Requ	ested: _\$ Amount Approved: _\$
Date Documented:]	Date Sent to WRHA Finance: