



Senior Mental Health Lead Training and grant application

The aim is to support schools train a senior mental health lead, to develop a whole school or college approach to mental health and wellbeing. This will help schools or college to better promote and support the mental wellbeing of pupils, students and staff, and make best use of existing resources.

The DfE are pleased to let schools and colleges know they can now apply for a senior mental health lead training grant.

The updated [gov.uk guidance](#) explains what the training covers, who it's intended for, how to [apply for a grant](#), and how to access a DfE quality assured course.

The DfE have set out the [Learning outcomes for senior mental health leads](#) in schools and colleges around eight key areas. The training that is available covers all aspects of the learning outcomes and is being provided by a range of quality assured training providers.

Schools and colleges who booked a course on or before the application system went live on 11 October 2021 now have until 25 October to claim one of the grants they guaranteed to reserve for eligible schools and colleges booking a course early.

All other eligible schools and colleges intending to book a course this financial year can also apply for a grant. The DfE guarantee to reserve a grant for those booking a course early has now ended, and they encourage settings to [apply for a grant](#) before they book a course. Grants will be allocated on a first come, first served basis until we have issued all available funds.