

# Do you need money for training?

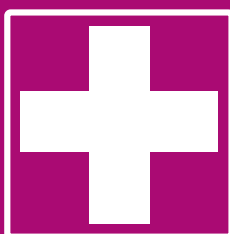
If you employ your own care and support staff using a personal health budget (PHB), a social care budget or your own money you can apply to Skills for Care to get money for training for you and your personal assistant. The money that is available is called individual employer funding.

Here are some examples of the type of training you could use the money for:

Moving and assisting



First aid



Communication



Dementia awareness



Diabetes awareness



Risk assessment



## The rules

You can apply for yourself or on behalf of your personal assistant (PA). All learning and qualifications must be paid for and started before 31 March 2016. Only people living in England can apply.

To apply for the money, please fill in the application form by visiting our website [www.skillsforcare.org.uk/individualemployerfunding](http://www.skillsforcare.org.uk/individualemployerfunding) or call **0113 245 1716** to ask for an application form. An Easy Read version of the application form and guidance on how to fill it in is also available.

Further resources can be found on the information hub for individual employers and personal assistants

[www.skillsforcare.org.uk/iepahub](http://www.skillsforcare.org.uk/iepahub)

“ We are delighted that this funding has become available. We have been struggling for the past five and half years to get the training for (our daughter’s) personal assistants. ”

**Claire Steeples, individual employer**

“ My personal assistants will be significantly enhanced by the skills and knowledge which will contribute to a better level of care for me. ”

**Daniel McAlveay, individual employer**

“ This grant will be a breakthrough for me and my staff; they have been asking for accredited training for a very long time. ”

**Angeline, individual employer**

“ Training was related to everything I have been through with my son, therefore me and my son’s PA have truly benefited from completing the course. ”

**Amanda Buckett, individual employer**