Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Training**
and Workforce Development

Nurses Stipend and Travel Allowance

Student guide

The Nurses Stipend and Travel Allowance (NSTA) provides financial support for regional students who need to travel long distances to complete mandatory clinical placements.

The NSTA provides you with a subsidy for travel expenses to your placement location and an allowance to help with the cost of living while you are away from home.

Am I eligible for the NSTA?

You are eligible for the NSTA if you are:

- Enrolled into the Diploma of Nursing with a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) funded by the Department of Training and Workforce Development, for the period that you are claiming NSTA
- Residing outside of the Perth Metropolitan area
- Required to travel outside of your local area to attend mandatory clinical placements
- Are an Australian citizen or permanent resident

Students enrolled into the Diploma of Nursing under a 500 visa subclass, or a temporary resident visa, are not eligible for the NSTA.

Nurses Stipend and Travel Allowance rates

Stipend and travel entitlements available to eligible Diploma of Nursing students, are based on travel from your home address to the placement facility. Rates are calculated as follows:

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Round trip distance travelled	Travel entitlement	Stipend entitlement
1 – 70 km	NIL	NIL
71 km – 149 km	40c per kilometre	$350 per week (or $70 per day if completing less than 5 days per week)
150 km to 1099 km	40c per kilometre	$350 per week (or $70 per day if completing less than 5 days per week)
1100 km and over	40c per kilometre or Up to $1,500 to subsidise the cost of an airfare	$350 per week (or $70 per day if completing less than 5 days per week)



How do I claim the NSTA?

Eligible students may apply for 30% of their claim amount before placement commences. The remaining 70% can be claimed once the placement has been completed.

Applications for NSTA payments must be submitted online via the – NSTA claim form.

To find out more, speak with your placement coordinator or visit www.wa.gov.au/nsta

Scan the QR code to find out more about the NSTA.