



Conference & Collaboration Funding – Criteria for Student Midwives

Midwives of the Waikato Region are keen to support students to gain a wider understanding of the national and international status of midwifery, and women's and children's health.

Eligible Activities

- The College of Midwives Biennial National Conference or Joan Donley Midwifery Research Collaboration;
- Students who meet funding requirements may apply to attend each activity once during their period of study;
- Preference will be given to students who have not previously been funded to attend either activity.
- *Please note, funding is not transferable. If you are not able to attend the Conference or Collaboration you must advise the Waikato Region Chairperson who will determine how the registration will be allocated.*

Requirements for Funding

- Be a current financial member of Waikato Region of the NZ College of Midwives;
- Have attended a minimum of eight regional meetings over the four years of study (prorated to your year of study). For final year students three of these meetings need to have been attended within the last year (applicant is to provide proof of attendance);
- The registration fee must be paid in advance by the student and a receipt is to be submitted with your application for grant funding;
- Where an 'early bird' registration fee is offered, this is the maximum amount the Region will consider funding;
- Funding is for registration fees only and does not include travel, accommodation or associated attendance costs;
- Successful applicants must formally feedback at a Regional meeting within six months of Conference/Collaboration attendance (see feedback format).

What Next?

If you feel you are eligible and wish to apply for funding:

- Complete an *Application for Conference & Collaboration Funding – Student Midwives*
- Include evidence of regional meeting attendance (ie. scanned copy of clinical hours book)
- Include receipt for Conference/Collaboration registration payment
- Submit your application to the Secretary via email: secretarywaikatonzcom@gmail.com

Disclaimer - Please note:

- *Funding is at the discretion of the College of Midwives - Waikato Committee.*
- *All grants will be subject to the availability of sufficient regional funds on the advice of the Treasurer.*
- *The College of Midwives - Waikato Committee reserve the right to agree on a grant amount.*
- *Funding must be repaid in full should any funding requirements not be met.*



Application for Conference & Collaboration Funding – Student Midwives		
Full Name		College Membership No.
Mobile Number	Email	
Mailing Address		
What year did you join the College?	Number of Regional meetings attended (attach evidence)	
I am applying to attend:	<input type="checkbox"/> College of Midwives Biennial National Conference Dates:	<input type="checkbox"/> Joan Donley Research Collaboration Dates:
Please tell us about yourself and why you would like to attend National Conference or Joan Donley Research Collaboration:		
Cost of Conference	Funding Requested	
Bank Account Details (Bank and Account Number)		
Checklist:	<input type="checkbox"/> Included evidence of attendance at Regional Meetings <input type="checkbox"/> Included receipt for payment of Conference/Collaboration <input type="checkbox"/> Aware of requirement to feedback at a Regional meeting within 6 months	
Applicant Signature		Date
<input type="checkbox"/> Accepted <input type="checkbox"/> Declined	Amount Funded	Date Funds Paid
Chairperson Signature		Date

Feedback following attendance at Conference or Collaboration

Format for feedback to College of Midwives - Waikato Region meeting following attendance at Conference or Collaboration.

Feedback from Conference or Collaboration is a way that you can contribute to the wider region, and share learning with those members who were unable to attend. Following your attendance at either Conference or Collaboration, you will be contacted by the Regional Secretary to arrange an appropriate date to feedback at a Regional meeting.

Consider one aspect of learning that you gained from attending. For example, you may have attended a presentation about an aspect of practice that interested you. Provide an outline of the situation/learning and discuss how you will use this in your work as a midwife.

1. Summarise the presentation.
2. What was particularly interesting to you or to others who attended?
3. What sort of discussion did the topic generate?
4. How will you apply your learning to your practice?
5. Is there anything further you can add on the topic?

Please note your topic must be different to each of your colleagues who are feeding back. This is to allow the membership to experience the variety of learning that was available at the Conference or Collaboration.