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LDSS Funding for leadership training: Eligibility, evidence and claiming correctly

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What We'll Cover Today (England only)

- ✓ How LDSS works in practice, including eligibility, evidence and common claim pitfalls
- ✓ What providers can still do before the end of the funding year, and how to avoid delays
- ✓ The latest LDSS update for 2025 to 2026 and 2026 to 2027
- ✓ Which funded programme best fits your managers: Lead to Succeed, Well-Led or Leading Change, Improving Care (LCIC)
- ✓ How to record learning and keep evidence organised, with simple reporting to support good governance and Well-led expectations
- ✓ Live Q&A at the end



How LDSS Funding works in practice (England)

- ✓ ASC-WDS account must be active and up to date
- ✓ Choose an eligible course from the DHSC eligible list
- ✓ Employer pays upfront (course/learning starts)
- ✓ Learner completes the training / programme
- ✓ Claim via NHSBSA within the required window, with evidence
- ✓ Reimbursement paid (subject to caps and criteria)

Good workforce data + the right evidence = smoother reimbursement.





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Step-by-step guide to accessing LDSS funding

Create an account on the claims service:

1. Check that you're eligible to claim by referring to the [guidance](#).

Don't forget to ensure that your organisation has an up-to-date [ASC-WDS account](#)!

2. Sign up by completing an [onboarding form](#)

3. You will be contacted by the NHSBSA to book an onboarding appointment

4. Attend your onboarding appointment, where the NHSBSA team will support you to set up an account

Claim funding:

You're ready to claim!

Training courses:
Claim within 3 months of course completion

Qualifications:
Claim 60% reimbursement within 3 months of the qualification being started/paid for (whichever is the later date), then claim the remaining 40% within 3 months of completion

Plan and book training:

1. Identify and discuss learning and development needs across your organisation and plan requirements for the year

2. Browse the list of [eligible training courses and qualifications](#), and book and pay for training courses and qualifications that fit your needs. You may wish to refer to the list of training providers approved by the [Quality Assured Care Learning Service](#). Keep hold of evidence needed to claim.

The overall LDSS funding pot is limited. Once this is exhausted, claims submitted will not receive reimbursement.

Guide to access LDSS Funding



Eligible Training Courses and Qualifications



Latest LDSS Funding Overview

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LDSS continues in 2026 to 2027

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For 2025 to 2026, there are 2 ring-fenced funds

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If a fund is exhausted, no further claims from that fund will be paid

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Submit claims as soon as your evidence is ready

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Update on Oliver's Training for 2026 to 2027 is still awaited





Evidence Needed for Claims

Providers will usually need to submit:



A dated certificate of completion for each learner (except for 60% qualification start claims)



The invoice/receipt showing course name and learner places (cost per learner if applicable)



Proof of payment showing payer, payee, amount, date and what the payment was for



Required learner details in the NHSBSA Digital Claims Service (including name, job role and National Insurance number, plus other details where applicable)



Why Leadership Training Matters

Strong leadership drives culture, quality and safer services.

- ✓ Over 90 percent of services rated Good or Outstanding in Well-Led achieve the same overall rating.
- ✓ Skills for Care leadership programmes build confidence, capability and positive workplace culture.
- ✓ LDSS funding means there is normally no net cost for eligible employers, provided claims meet scheme rules and are submitted on time.

The Three Licensed Programmes



Lead to Succeed



Well-Led



**Leading Change
Improving Care**

Plus: Skills for Care CPD Courses (one-day modules)

Lead to Succeed Overview

- ✓ For: Aspiring & deputy managers
- ✓ Modules: 5
- ✓ Funding: Reimbursable up to £525 per learner
*(subject to ASCLDSS rules and budget)
- ✓ Key themes: leadership behaviours, culture, supervision, coaching, inspection readiness

Starts: 11th March 2026



Well-Led Overview

- ✓ For: Registered & experienced managers
- ✓ Modules: 4
- ✓ Funding: Reimbursable up to £525 per learner
*(subject to ASCLDSS rules and budget)
- ✓ Key themes: what “well-led” means, quality improvement, complex leadership environments, reflective practice

Starts: 15th April 2026



LCIC Overview

- ✓ For: Managers leading improvement & change
- ✓ Modules: 5
- ✓ Funding: £525 per learner *(subject to ASC LDSS rules and budget)
- ✓ Key themes: Change models, communication, resilience, motivating teams, live improvement project

Starts: 10th March 2026



CPD Leadership Modules

Short, one-day Skills for Care accredited courses:

- ✓ Understanding Performance Management
- ✓ Understanding Self-Management Skills
- ✓ Understanding Workplace Culture

Funding: Reimbursable up to £135 per learner

*(subject to ASCLDSS rules and budget)



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- ✓ Easy booking / payments system directly from our website (www.caretutor.org)
- ✓ Virtual delivery via Zoom
- ✓ Small, interactive cohorts
- ✓ CPD accredited training
- ✓ Dedicated support with claims & evidence
- ✓ Optional LMS integration (Pathway demo)



Next Steps

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- 👉 View training dates
- 👉 Speak to our team

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