



Expression of Interest

EOI-2627-03 – Diabetes Care Education Scholarships for Practice Nurses and Health Professionals in South Eastern NSW



Activity	Date
Scholarship opens	20 October 2026
Last day for applications to be received	30 November 2026
Assessment of applications	By early December 2026
Application outcome	By 10 December 2026
Scholarship acceptance & vouchers issued	By 15 January 2027
Diabetes in Practice for Nurses course enrolment deadline	February 2027
Course commences	Access to course materials will be available within 24 hours of enrolment
Course completion	All eLearning modules must be completed within six months of enrolment
Participation in one-hour post-course interactive workshop	Late July 2027

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1. Introduction

COORDINARE, as the South Eastern NSW Primary Health Network, is dedicated to fostering healthier communities. We focus our efforts on those who face the biggest inequities. To do this, we collaborate with the community, general practices and other stakeholders to design solutions that make it easier for people to get the health care they need. **More information about COORDINARE – SENSW PHN can be found on our website.**

COORDINARE recognises the vital role that practice nurses and other primary care health professionals play in supporting people living with diabetes in South Eastern NSW. To support their ongoing professional development, COORDINARE is offering fully funded scholarships to strengthen diabetes knowledge and skills and support high-quality, evidence-based care.

- Diabetes in Practice for Nurses
- Diabetes Essentials for Health Professionals

There are 33 scholarship places available in total for eligible applicants. Places may be allocated across either course based on demand. There is no set number reserved for each course.

Successful applicants will receive access to their allocated course from February 2027 and must complete it within six months of enrolment.

2. Course options

Each applicant may apply for **either course**, or **both courses**, provided they meet the eligibility criteria.

	Course 1: Diabetes in Practice for Nurses	Course 2: Diabetes Essentials
Course Introduction	A comprehensive online course for nurses who want to refresh and extend their diabetes knowledge and improve the support they provide to people living with diabetes. The course is developed by healthcare professionals and Credentialed Diabetes Educators, is based on current best-practice guidelines, and is endorsed by the Australian Primary Health Care Nurses Association for 12 CPD hours. It includes 16 self-paced modules and four multiple-choice assessments.	A foundation-level online course for health professionals who want to develop in-depth diabetes knowledge. Developed by Credentialed Diabetes Educators, it covers diabetes pathophysiology, diagnosis, management principles and the prevention of complications. The course provides 12 CPD hours and includes four self-paced modules covering 19 topics, with an assessment at the end of each module.
What you will learn	Participants will develop an understanding of: • diabetes symptoms, diagnosis, treatment and management;	Participants will learn about: • diabetes causation, diagnosis and management; • blood glucose monitoring;

	• risk factors for type 2 diabetes; • blood glucose targets and monitoring; acute and chronic complications; • common diabetes medications; • and positive communication approaches that support behaviour change.	• nutrition and physical activity; • diabetes medications; • hypoglycaemia and hyperglycaemia; sick-day and surgical management; psychological impacts; • screening for complications; • and conditions associated with diabetes, including metabolic syndrome and polycystic ovary syndrome.
What you will receive	• On successful completion of the assessments and feedback survey, participants can download a Certificate of Completion (12 CPD hours). • The course also provides practical, evidence-based information, resources and case studies to support diabetes care in everyday practice.	• On successful completion of the assessments and feedback survey, participants can download a Certificate of Completion (12 CPD hours). • Participants will gain practical knowledge, resources and case-study examples to support diabetes care in the workplace.
More course details	For more course details: Visit Diabetes in Practice for Nurses Diabetes Qualified	For more course details: Visit Diabetes Essentials Online Course - Diabetes Qualified
Other activities required	In addition to completing the online modules, you are required to participate in a one-hour interactive session delivered. Scheduled for late July 2027, this session will take place after course completion and is designed to consolidate learning and support practical implementation. This 1-hour session is delivered via Microsoft Teams and designed to: • encourage practical applications in local settings. • introduce participants to local health district diabetes coordinators • understand current LHD pathways and services.	

3. Financial support under this Scholarship

Each scholarship (valued at \$295) covers:

- A voucher code providing full access to the course through the Diabetes Qualified eLearning platform.
- Participate in a one-hour interactive session delivered via Microsoft Teams in late July 2027.

Out of scope: This scholarship does not cover any additional fees or expenses associated with participation in the course, including but not limited to accommodation, transportation, internet access, leave from work, or other incidental costs.

4. Evaluation criteria

Applications will first be checked against the eligibility requirements. Eligible applications will then be assessed against the assessment criteria outlined in this guideline and the application form.

Mandatory Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must meet the following mandatory eligibility requirements to be considered. The eligibility criteria will be assessed on a **pass/fail basis**.

Applicants must:

- Be currently employed or have confirmed employment in primary care setting within South Eastern NSW.
- Hold current registration, accreditation, or membership with the relevant professional body, as applicable (e.g. AHPRA, ESSA, Dietitians Australia, Australian Physiotherapy Association (APA)).
- Have an interest in expanding their knowledge and skills in diabetes management.
- Have not recently completed substantially equivalent diabetes training within the past 3 years and do not have access to the selected course, or equivalent training, through their employer.
- Be available to commence course from February 2027 and commit to completing the course within six months.
- Have access to a computer and internet connection to complete the online course.

Additional eligibility criteria for each course:

Course	Who can apply	Not eligible
Diabetes in Practice for Nurses	Nurses working in primary care settings (enrolled nurses and registered nurses are eligible), including general practice, aged care, Aboriginal Medical Services, disability services and other community-based settings.	Student nurses or Local Health District employees are not eligible to apply.
Diabetes Essentials	Any primary care health professional, such as: • General practitioners (GPs) • Practice nurses • Nurse practitioners • Allied health professionals (e.g. physiotherapists, dietitians, exercise physiologists, psychologists) • Aboriginal Health Practitioners/Workers • Pharmacists working in primary care settings	Local Health District employees are not eligible to apply.

5. How to apply?

Applications can be submitted via [electronic form](#) on the [COORDINARE website](#).

Applicants must complete and submit the online application form on the COORDINARE website by 5:00 pm AEDT on 30 November 2026. Late applications will not be accepted.

Please note that applications may close earlier if sufficient Expressions of Interest have been received. In this case, your application will still be assessed and may be placed on a **waiting list**.

For any questions regarding this process please email Commissioning Business Team at commissioning@coordinare.org.au.

6. Evaluation of applications and Outcomes

Applications will be assessed based on responses to the assessment questions in the application form. The questions follow [Section 3. Evaluation Criteria](#) in this Guideline.

If we need any further information or clarification about your application, COORDINARE may contact you during the assessment process.

To enable timely review and notification of outcomes, COORDINARE will assess applications in three phases:

- **Phase 1:** Applications received by 01 November 2026.
- **Phase 2:** Applications received by 15 November 2026.
- **Phase 3:** Applications received between 16 November and 30 November 2026.

Applications in both phases will be assessed using the same eligibility requirements and assessment criteria. Scholarship places will be allocated based on merit and availability.

Applicants are encouraged to apply early, as scholarship places may be allocated following each assessment phase.

To ensure scholarship opportunities are available across South Eastern NSW, COORDINARE may take geographic location into account when allocating places.

All applicants will receive written notification of the outcome of their application. Eligible applicants who are not immediately offered a scholarship may be placed on a waiting list and considered if additional places become available.

7. Conditions of this Expression of Interest

General	Applicants should familiarise themselves with this document and the separate application form and ensure that their proposals comply with the requirements set out in these documents.
Acceptance	Applications that do not meet the eligibility requirements or do not contain the requested information may not progress. Meeting the eligibility requirements does not guarantee a scholarship.
Explanations	Verbal explanations or instructions given prior to acceptance of a proposal shall not bind COORDINARE.
Legal entity	COORDINARE will only enter into a contract with an organisation or individual, or a natural person at least 18 years of age with mental capacity to understand the agreement.

Expenses	All expenses and costs incurred by the applicants in connection with this EOI including (without limitation) preparing and lodging a submission, providing COORDINARE with further information, attending interviews and participating in any subsequent negotiations, are the sole responsibility of the applicant.
Additional information	If additional information to that requested in this document is required by COORDINARE when application are being considered, written information may be requested to obtain such information at no cost to COORDINARE. COORDINARE may also provide additional information or clarification.
Process	COORDINARE reserves the right to withdraw from, or alter, the EOI process described in this document for whatever reason, prior to the signing of any agreement/contract with any party.
Ownership	All submissions become the property of COORDINARE once lodged. COORDINARE may copy, or otherwise deal with all or any part of a submission for the purpose of conducting evaluation of submissions.
Notification of Probity Breach	Should any applicant feel that they have been unfairly excluded from responding or unfairly disadvantaged by the process, the applicant is invited to write to the Business Team at commissioning@coordinare.org.au
Lobbying	Any attempt by any Respondent to exert influence on the outcome of the assessment process by lobbying COORDINARE staff, directly or indirectly, will be grounds for disqualification of the application from further consideration.
No contract	Nothing in this EOI should be construed to give rise to any contractual obligations or rights, express or implied, by the issue of this EOI or the lodgement of submission in response to it. No contract will be created unless and until a formal written contract is executed between COORDINARE and a Respondent. Respondents will not be considered approved until a final service agreement is in place.