

Local grants - guidance for applicants

Local grants provide an opportunity for our local networks to make a difference for people living in their local area.

All grants are required to meet the following criteria:

- To be for a specific purpose
- To be of direct demonstrable benefit to people affected by Crohn's and Colitis
- To not exceed an amount of **£5,000** for any **one** recipient in a 12 month period

Local grants may be used for the following types of projects, activities, and services:

- **Hospital Equipment**

A local grant could be used to fund or part fund NHS purchase of equipment for use by local patients, this must have clear demonstrable benefit for people living with Crohn's and Colitis. Any ongoing maintenance and other costs would need to be met entirely by the hospital.

Examples may include infusion chairs, notice boards, iPads for sharing patient information in clinics. **Up to a maximum of £5,000**

- **Staff Support**

This could include funding, or part funding, training or professional development activities for local IBD staff, enabling them to improve patient care.

Examples may include attendance at a training event or conference.

Up to a maximum of £1,500 per person pa.

- **Service Development**

This may include funding a small local pilot project to help a service deliver improvements to patient care. **Up to a maximum of £5,000**

The following are **not** eligible for a local grant.

Activity	Reason not eligible for local funding
Websites or apps	Funded centrally by the charity
Leaflets or online information or support tools	Funded centrally by the charity
Any type of research study	Funded centrally by the charity and subject to additional governance such as peer review.
Individual patients	Funds should be spent on activities that benefit as many people as possible with Crohn's and Colitis
Funding salaries for temporary or permanent staff	Should be funded by NHS or another organisation
Donations to other charities	Funds have been raised for Crohn's & Colitis UK charitable activities
Gaming equipment and electronic devices (unless for the purposes of IBD educational support)	No clear demonstrable benefit for people with Crohn's and Colitis