

NZSTA Funding Grant

NZSTA offers funding grants to members seeking to develop or complete clinical or professional knowledge, study or research that will benefit the NZSTA or the speechlanguage therapy profession.

Value:

Up to \$1,500

Award Process:

Applications should be made in writing by 5 pm on 30 June annually and sent to the NZSTA administrator using the attached application form. The NZSTA Board will determine the winner(s) of the NZSTA Funding Grant.

Criteria:

(1) Applicants must be current members of NZSTA and must have been a member for at least the two previous membership years.

Factors Considered in Decision Making:

- (1) Relevance to the speech-language therapy profession in New Zealand in particular, including likely contribution to the evidence-based practice of New Zealand speech-language therapists.
- (2) Contribution to the body of knowledge in a distinctive or significant way.
- (3) Applicant's history of active participation in or contribution to the NZSTA or speech-language therapy in New Zealand.
- (4) Applicant's history of disseminating knowledge to SLTs and therapy stakeholders.
- (5) Record of recent funding from the NZSTA. Members are limited to one successful Funding Grant every three years.
- (6) Applicant's plan to disseminate the knowledge gained as a result of the research.

If the funding grant is for research:

- (1) Commitment to presenting findings at NZSTA professional development events.
- (2) Likelihood that the research can be completed within 18 months of the funding being granted.
- *If the funding grant is for course/conference attendance:*
- (1) Whether the applicant will be presenting at the course or conference.



Application Form: NZSTA Funding Grant

Applicants should refer to the criteria and factors influencing decision-making when completing their application for a Funding Grant.

Name	
Address	
Phone	
Email	
Membership No.	
Years of	
membership	
Previous	
involvement with	
the NZSTA	
Previous	
contribution to	
NZSTA &/or SLT	
profession	
Any previous	
funding from	
NZSTA	

Reason for requesting funding:

-	personal study:	
-	conference attendance:	
-	research:	
-	other:	

Amount applied for:

A. Personal study

Qualification	
Institution	
First year of study	
Proposed completion date	
Funding is being sought for?	

Please	describe, in less than 500	
words:		
1.	Your reason/s for	
	completing study, and	
2.	The relevance of this	
	qualification to SLT issues	
	in NZ	

B. Conference Attendance

Conference	
Provider	
Dates of conference	
Total cost to you of conference	

Please describe, in less than 500		
words:		
1. Your reason for attending		
conference		
2. The relevance of your		
conference attendance to SLT		
issues in NZ or your local region		
Will you be presenting at the	Yes	No
conference?		

C. Research¹

Proposed study		
	Attach research proposal (less than 500 words) including a rationale for the study, your specific aims and hypotheses, and study design and methods)	
Is research being completed for a qualification?	Yes	No
If so, what qualification?		
Has research received ethics approval from the appropriate	Yes:	No
Human Ethics Committee?	Ethics committee:	

¹ Applications for workplace-based research will be considered.

If no, state why this project does not require ethical approval	
In 200 words or less, please	
describe the relevance of this	
research to SLT issues in NZ	

D. Other

Describe purpose of funding:

All applicants:

Outline your proposed method of sharing knowledge with NZSTA members. Please provide specific details where possible, such as proposed forums and dates.

I understand that this award is valued at up to \$1,500, and the NZSTA Board will determine the amount of the award.

I understand that the condition of receiving this award is that I submit a report to the NZSTA Board. I will share knowledge gained with NZSTA members, through a forum mutually agreed upon between myself and the NZSTA Professional Development Portfolio Leader.

Signed:

Date:

Applications must be received by the NZSTA Administrator at admin@speechtherapy.org.nz.