

MBCT Accessibility Fund 2018

The OMC's mission is to reduce suffering, promote resilience and realise human potential across the lifespan through mindfulness. We work actively to make the benefits of mindfulness attainable for all who might benefit. In line with our charitable aims we are making available £25,000 to support applications for training, activities or initiatives which widen access to and participation in mindfulness-based cognitive therapy and mindfulness practices.

Selection criteria

Priority will be given to those applicants who demonstrate they have:

- 1. Suitable training for working with and experience of this population/context.
- A commitment to promoting widening access to mindfulness to populations and in contexts where there are barriers to access because of race, ethnicity, culture, sexual orientation, gender, socio-economic status, religion, age and/or ability, ideally evidenced with a track record.
- 3. Suitable training for, or experience of, working with this population / in this context.
- 4. A funding need without which the training, activity or initiative could not take place.
- The ability to meet the Good Practice Guidelines
 <u>mindfulnessteachersuk.org.uk/pdf/teacher-guidelines.pdf</u> to be listed on <u>ACCESSMBCT</u>
 or the <u>UK Teachers Listing</u> as an MBCT teacher, or are eligible to be listed, and are
 considering applying.
- 6. A commitment to working with the OMC post project on widening access and working with diverse and/or vulnerable populations. This could include communicating through OMC media/social media about the work as an exemplar of good practice in this area.

Amount of award

The OMC will consider applications of any amount up to £25,000. However, it will prioritise applications of under £4,000 as it is particularly keen to utilise this fund to support a number of smaller bids in the first instance.

Application process

Applications should be submitted by 21st July 2018 via the electronic application which can be accessed here: https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MBCTAccessibility2018
Outcomes will be communicated to applicants on 1st August 2018

If funding is awarded the applicant would be expected to produce a short report at the end of the funding term.