**Equity Scholarship Application Form 2025**

The Sydney Centre for Creative Change equity scholarship program is designed for mental health practitioners who could benefit from professional development training in creative therapies and are experiencing some demonstrable disadvantage, which is a barrier to accessing professional development.

The equity scholarship covers the cost of or toward any of the available online webinars or professional development courses we offer (up the value of $600). It does not other expenses related to course attendance.

Up to 6 successful applicants will be offered equity scholarships to attend

Professional development training with us in 2025. Scholarships can not be used in conjunction with any other discounts.

**Eligibility**

**Key dates**

**Applications Open: 25th November 2024**

**Applications Close: 7th February 2025**

**Offers Made By: 21st February 2025**

Experiencing one or more of the following

educational disadvantages:

* Carer responsibilities
* Financial hardship
* Indigenous Australian
* Refugee status
* Sole parent responsibility
* Long term illness or disability
* Living in a regional or remote area of Australia

Note: Please read the document, Categories of Educational

Disadvantage, which defines eligibility, for each disadvantage and the documentation, you must provide to support your application.

**Selection criteria**

* You must fulfil at least one of the equity criteria and provide documentary evidence of meeting those criteria.
* Applicants must ensure that they complete the personal statement selection of the application.
* Selection of this scholarship will be determined on the basis of the application / personal statement and the fulfilment of the equity requirements of the scholarships.
* The selection committee will compromise representatives from the Sydney Centre for Creative Change
* Note: Being eligible doesn’t guarantee the offer of a scholarship, as you are competing against other eligible applicants.

1. **Personal Details**

Name:

Email:

Phone:

Address:

Profession:

Occupation:

Place of work:

How did you hear about this scholarship?

1. **Scholarship selection criteria**

Please tick one(s) or highlight, which apply to you and you are able to provide documentation for:

* Carer responsibilities
* Financial hardship
* Indigenous Australian
* Refugee status
* Sole parent responsibilities
* Long term illness or disability
* Living in a regional or remote area of Australia

Please note failure to provide evidence of the above criteria will result in your application not being considered.

If you have ticked more than one criteria, please include an explanation and documentary evidence for each. You may attach your response in the space below:

In your own words, please explain how you believe the scholarship will assist you with studies and career.

1. **Courses/Webinars**

Please indicate the name of the course/ webinar/s and dates you would like to attend this year if you are a recipient of a scholarship (to the value of $600). Please note you can apply for a course of a higher value and if successful, can be invoiced for the remaining amount.

1. **Declaration**

I declare that the information provided by me on this form is true and correct. I also agree to the release of personal information about me for the purpose of assessing this application. I understand that the decision of the selection committee about the award of any scholarship is final and that there is no right of appeal.

**Signature of Applicant**

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Date .............................

**Lodging your Application**

Return this completed registration form with your supporting documentation and course registration form to: info@sydneycentreforcreativechange.com before 5pm, 7th of February 2025.

Within one week you will receive confirmation that your application has been received and by the 21st February you will receive confirmation as to whether or not your application was successful.

**Application Checklist**

Please ensure you have submitted the following documentation with your application.

* Completed and signed Equity Scholarship Application Form
* Supporting documentation (as outlined in Categories of Educational Disadvantage Form)

**Privacy statement**

The Sydney Centre for Creative Change abides by the Information Privacy Act 2002, which protects your privacy; therefore, the information on this form is collected for the primary purpose of assessing your application. Other purposes of collection include the creation of a record on our email database, attending for administrative purposes. If you choose not to complete all the questions on this form, it may not be possible for the panel to assess your application. You have a right to access personal information that the Sydney Centre for Creative Change holds about you, subject to any exceptions in relevant legislation. If you wish to seek access to your personal information or inquire about the handling of your personal information, please contact Jacki Short at info@sydneycentreforcreativechange.com.au.