

GRANT GIVING POLICY

All Grants are subject to the following conditions:

1. We cannot consider incomplete applications
2. Applications must include:
 - a. a letter from a doctor or medical professional confirming diagnosis of Adrenoleukodystrophy (ALD) or Adrenomyeloneuropathy (AMN);
 - b. a current Bank Statement including any savings accounts;
 - c. proof of any disability benefits or low-income benefits;
 - d. a completed application form.;
3. Applications made which do not include these items will be considered incomplete and will be rejected.
4. Grants are awarded in consideration of household income and savings. To qualify for a grant, both of the following must apply:
 - a. You must have less than £6,000 in savings if you are single, or less than £8,000 as a couple or family
 - b. You have a low total income after you have paid rent, mortgage and council tax. We allow a weekly income of £170 for a single person, £289 for a couple or household of two people, £85 for each child, and £119 for each additional adultPersonal Independence Payments (PIP), Disability Living Allowance (DLA) and Attendance Allowance (AA) are not counted in our calculations.
5. Receipts will be required to be sent to ALD Life.
6. The maximum amount any one family may receive in grants over a twelve-month period is £1,000 unless agreed by the Trustee Board for exceptional circumstances.
7. The decision to approve or reject a Grant request is final.
8. Complete Grant applications will be considered by ALD Life and processed within 21 days
9. Successful applicants may be contacted following receipt of the grant in order to gather feedback on its use and impact. This information will be used anonymously to promote and develop the ALD Life grants programme.

DATA PROTECTION

Information provided to ALD Life through a Grant Application form will be kept secure and will not be shared with third parties, in accordance with our [Privacy Policy](#).

Additional documents will be required, and conditions will need to be met dependent on Grant type. Please see below for further requirements and conditions.

BEREAVEMENT

A copy of the death certificate stating ALD as cause of death or contributory factor is required in order to qualify for this grant. This Grant is intended to help with the cost of funeral and associated expenses and is subject to the ALD Life Grant giving policy. Maximum grant £300.00, payable to the family

BONE MARROW TRANSPLANT/GENE THERAPY

A copy of a letter from the Consultant confirming that a Bone Marrow Transplant is being undertaken in order to treat ALD.

This is intended to help with any extra expense connected to having BMT for ALD and is subject to ALD Life Grant giving policy. Maximum grant £300.00, payable to family

EQUIPMENT

Grants can only be given for equipment due to a disability need and will not be given for other items unless they are specifically modified for a disability caused by ALD/AMN. Grants will not be paid for general repairs/maintenance for vehicles unless they are essential for mobility where public transport cannot be accessed, this must be confirmed in writing by a medical professional.

We require an Invoice/estimate for goods before they are ordered, and we will confirm in writing the amount we will pay either towards the equipment or the full amount. We take no responsibility for items purchased and they must be purchased under the recommendation/guidance of a medical professional. Any request for equipment will only be considered on production of a letter from a medical professional stating necessity and that item is not available on the NHS or via Social Services. Payable direct to provider.

TREATMENT

We require an invoice/estimate for treatment needs plus letter from medical professional stating necessity and that treatment is not available on NHS. Grants can only be given for treatments not accessible on the NHS or where the waiting list is considered excessive, as confirmed by a medical professional. Payable direct to provider.

CARE

We require an invoice/estimate stating the care needs plus letter from medical professional/social worker stating necessity and that care is not available through social services or NHS funded care. Payable direct to provider

FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

We require financial records as per our overall grant giving policy, as well as evidence that other help has been sought from Government statutory agencies. Payable to family.