

INDIVIDUAL FUNDING – FAQs

I meet your criteria, can I nominate myself?

No. We require that all nominations be made via a third party that has a professional connection only.

Who can submit a nomination?

Examples of professional third parties able to nominate include (but are not limited to); social workers, charity employees, GP's, occupational therapists, FLO's and teachers.

I work with disadvantaged families, can I apply for a holiday for a family?

We cannot accept nominations requesting funds for a family holiday. However, we may consider nominations for respite breaks for carers that include the cared for individual if there is no viable option for another to take on the caring role in their absence or where worry for their loved one whilst away will negate the benefit of the break. In both instances, we will need the nomination to clearly state who the application will include, why the family member(s) will also be taking part and how the break will still be able to provide the required respite.

The nature of my job means that I will not meet the nominated individual face-to-face to physically sign the declaration on the form. Can I still apply?

Yes, however we will need the nominee to contact KCF in writing to state that they consent to the Individual/Family declaration, as laid out in the last page of the nomination form. Alternatively, we can accept confirmation they have agreed to the submission to you over the phone typed in the declaration section.

When will I expect to receive a decision?

Decisions are made all year round and you can apply anytime. We aim to make a decision within 4-6 weeks. If your request is time critical (for example an activity that starts and ends on set days) please apply as early as possible to ensure you receive a decision in time. Note that this process can be delayed if the nomination form does not include all of the required information at submission.

Will you consider requests for white goods?

Yes, if the request fits within a fund's eligibility criteria. Please see the different fund criteria on the website. We can also accept requests for other items (beds, furniture etc). For example, a family with a child or young person whose diagnoses include incontinence would be eligible to apply for the cost of a washing machine under the criteria of 'equipment that directly benefits the mental and physical health of disabled children'.