

Application Criteria for Healthy Lungs for Life grant funding

What we will fund:

- Events can be held on any day, but we encourage applications to focus on the key dates of the following International Awareness Days:
 - World Asthma Day
 - World No Tobacco Day
 - International Day of Clean Air
 - World Lung Day
 - World Environmental Health Day
 - World COPD Day
- We expect all applications to focus on supporting the objectives of the Healthy Lungs for Life topics:
 - Increase knowledge around the impact of air quality on lung health, and actions everyone can take to reduce air pollution and avoid exposure;
 - Highlight the benefits of quitting smoking;
 - Increase knowledge of the importance of physical activity for lung health;
 - Raise awareness of vaccination to prevent lung infections;
 - Raise awareness of the effects of climate change on lung health and what people can do to help prevent it
- Examples of events and activities could include, but are not limited to:
 - Public lung function (spirometry) testing
 - Information stalls
 - Public talks relating to one of more of the campaign themes
 - Spirometry training events for professionals
 - Online event/campaign
- Grant funding could be used for costs including, but not limited to:
 - Materials, equipment and facilities required to deliver the project/event
 - Producing materials or PR support to help with promotion of the project/event
 - Travel reimbursements for volunteers
- Applications will be accepted from:
 - Not-for-profit organisations (e.g. national and international respiratory societies, patient organisations, hospital trusts and networks, clinics)
 - Healthcare professionals or institutions
 - Schools or other community groups
 - Gyms/sports centres

Individuals must be affiliated to an organisation or institution.

- All applications will be assessed by a multi-stakeholder panel who will be looking for 4 key elements;
 - Value for money
 - Number of estimated beneficiaries
 - Geographical scope and location
 - Impact on beneficiaries and HLfL topics
- Priority will be given to:
 - Events covering areas where there is a greater need for awareness of the importance of lung health and to low-resource settings
 - Public spirometry testing events, but these must comply with local regulations and guidance around spirometry testing during the COVID-19 pandemic
 - Face-to-face events over online events

What we will not fund:

- Projects that have not been approved by the judging panel. As outlined in the Terms and Conditions, we reserve the right to withdraw or request that funding is returned should any activities be carried out without approval.
- Projects that involve the promotion of tobacco products or companies, pharmaceutical companies or any, services or views that ELF deems undesirable.
- Projects or applicants funded by companies that contradict our moral, ethical or professional boundaries.

How the grant process works:

- **Submit your application** by the deadline for the next application reviewing date. If you miss your intended deadline, your application will be automatically reviewed after the following deadline date. Check the ELF website for the upcoming cut-off dates.
- **A multi-stakeholder panel will review your application** in line with the criteria provided, on the dates outlined on the website.
- **You will be informed of a decision within 3 weeks** of the deadline for the funding round you submit your application in. We will do this by using “The Applicant” contact details provided in your application form. We will let you know regardless of whether you are successful or unsuccessful.

Successful applicants:

- You will need to **accept the grant offer and confirm that your project plans are still accurate**. Once accepted, you will receive instructions of how to claim your grant and

you will be able to begin the process within 1 week of your confirmation. You will need to have (or create) a myERS account in order to access the funding. You do not have to do this prior to application. The time for the funds to enter your account will depend on how quickly you complete the process and bank transfer times.

- **Once you have completed your project, you will need to submit a project report.** You will be sent guidance on what to include in the report before your event(s). Please read it before you begin your project so you know what information you will need to gather during your activities. We will expect to receive your report within four weeks of the end of your final activities.
- **We may contact you regarding your report,** should we wish for more details or evidence regarding the project.