

SCOTTISH CHILDMINDING ASSOCIATION GRANT SCHEME ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2019

**28 September 2019
Stirling Court Hotel, Stirling**

The Scottish Childminding Association Annual Conference is one of the key highlights in the SCMA events calendar and ***Lean on Me*** will be the major childminding conference in 2019.

The theme of the conference has been carefully chosen to encompass a myriad of topics including: *community, resilience, quality, the importance of strong partnerships, friendship, interventions to address stigma, and thought leadership*. A range of inspiring speakers, who will be announced in the lead up to the conference, are all carefully chosen to motivate and engage with our audience and the conference itself is designed to support childminders and the talented professionals working in the Early Learning and Childcare sector in Scotland. As SCMA deliver national award-winning events, those attending can expect a fun, educational and interactive conference.

This year a range of our workshops will support the theme of ***Lean on Me***, and they have all been designed to be creative, hands-on, and innovative to ensure they are meaningful and memorable. We know that it is in these moments of fun and interaction that excitement starts and engagement happens so that lifelong friendships are formed. All workshops will come with Certificates of Attendance and the conference will be Open Badged.

This is your chance to apply for subsidised places. A fund has been set aside for full childminder members to apply, should you wish to attend the Scottish Childminding Association conference.

Grants of up to 50% of total costs will be available; the maximum allocation will be £125 per member. Priority will be given to conference fees, accommodation and travel; additional items can be requested but may not be awarded if the grant fund is oversubscribed. We expect the member to contribute at least 50% of the funds themselves via other fundraising arrangements or self-financing.

Conditions of Applications

1. The closing date for applications is 23 April 2019.
2. Only full childminder members of the Association are able to benefit from the grant fund. Members that apply under the grant scheme may do so for themselves only.
3. All applicants will know the result of their application by 3 May 2019.
4. Prior to any monies being paid out receipts will be necessary.
5. Reimbursement will be made following attendance at the Annual Conference.
6. The last date for claiming money spent will be 1 November 2019.

**Please return your completed Application Form including the relevant information
to: Linda Young, SCMA, 7 Melville Terrace, Stirling, FK8 2ND
Tel: 01786 445377**

INDIVIDUAL APPLICATION FORM SCMA CONFERENCE 2019

Members Name	
Membership Number	
Address including postcode	
Telephone Number	

Have you been to a previous SCMA Conference? YES NO

What do you hope to gain from attending the 2019 Conference?

What is the total amount of grant that you are applying for?

How will this be spent? Please give as much information as possible.

Please give a breakdown of your costs:

ITEM	COST
Conference Fee	£
Saturday Night Live event	£
Accommodation (Number of nights)	£
Travel Costs	£
Other (Please detail)	£
Total Requested	£

Please detail any fundraising, including local fundraising, self-financing or if you have applied for funding for this project elsewhere?