

The Type of Training Provided. This may be either full-time or part-time

The training may take the form of a refresher course aimed at restoring confidence and bringing up to date a former skill or qualification. Again it may involve training for a new skill or a different occupation for which there are employment opportunities.

Training in approved courses will generally be provided by way of class instruction at a business or technical college. In special circumstances training by correspondence may be arranged. Approval may be given to training if it is likely to lead to suitable full-time or part-time employment.

Continuation of Pension: During training a widow will continue to receive her pension so long as she remains eligible.

Allowances and Cost of Tuition Fees: In addition to her Widows Pension a training allowance of four dollars per week will be paid. A living-away-from-home allowance of five dollars a week may also be paid where it is necessary for the widow to live away from her normal place of residence during training.

The cost of tuition fees and fares to and from the place of training will be met by the Department.

Books and Equipment: Books, equipment, appliances and tools of trade necessary for the training provided, may be supplied by the Department without cost to the individual. The cost of these items shall not exceed eighty dollars in any period of twelve months.

Similar items may also be issued to enable a widow to engage in employment, but in these circumstances the cost of the items has to be repaid to the Commonwealth.

Loans for Home Employment: An amount of up to \$400 may be made available as a loan to a widow who has undergone training and wishes to acquire equipment to enable her to engage in employment at her home.

For further details of this training scheme please contact the Department of Social Services in your State.

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T.P.N.G. APPOINTMENT

Members who have had the pleasure of meeting Mr. John Purcell at Canberra and Perth Conferences will be pleased to hear of his recent appointment as Controller of Corrective Services in the Territory.

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