



# Bereavement Benefit Scheme

Financial stress often adds to the trauma people experience following the death of a loved one.

This members only bereavement benefit scheme helps to ease the sudden financial burden on your family members in the event of your death.

NO COST  
TO MEMBERS

\$5,000  
BENEFIT

NO MEDICAL  
REQUIRED

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***The AEAWA Executive Committee have established a bereavement benefit scheme with a view to reducing the trauma and stress for your loved ones, in the event of your death.***

***The scheme aims provide peace of mind for our members, knowing their loved ones won't be left struggling financially.***

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The bereavement benefit scheme provides a lump sum payment to your nominated beneficiary in the event of your death.



Complete the application form and return it to the AEAWA

If you need further information please contact the AEAWA on  
[info@aeawa.com.au](mailto:info@aeawa.com.au)

Ambulance  
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Western Australia

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### ***What is the bereavement benefit scheme?***

A lump sum benefit paid to your family member or your nominated person to alleviate any immediate financial difficulties in the event of your death.

### ***Do I need a medical?***

No. There is no need to undergo a medical assessment or to disclose any medical history.

### ***Who can I nominate?***

You can nominate anyone. Most often, people will choose to nominate a spouse, mother, father, child or any other person.

### ***What happens if I don't nominate a beneficiary?***

The Association will make every effort to facilitate a payment to a person the Association deems to be your next of kin. This can be difficult and so we encourage members to nominate a beneficiary.

### ***Is my nomination confidential?***

The records held detailing your nominated beneficiary are strictly confidential. Your records will not be accessed unless they are required to initiate a bereavement payment.

### ***When am I covered?***

All AEAWA members are covered so long as they are currently employed by St John WA and financial members of AEAWA at the time of their death. New members are covered for accidental death only during the first 12 months. After this qualifying period, members will be eligible for the full benefit regardless of cause of death, including any pre-existing condition.

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# Nomination Form



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Please complete this application form and return it to:  
**info@aeawa.com.au**

PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS

**You**

**Your beneficiary**

**AP Number**

**Family Name**

**Given Name(s)**

**Date of Birth**

**Contact Number**

**Email Address**

**Address**

**Signature**

**Date**

**Purpose:**  
The purpose of the scheme is to provide financial assistance to the nominated family member (or other beneficiary) in the aftermath of the death of an AEA Member. Payment is to be made available to the nominated person as soon as practicable after the death of the Member, and can be used entirely at the nominated beneficiary's discretion for any purpose which helps alleviate financial stress (e.g. funeral and associated expenses, and/or to assist with bills, such as, rent, mortgage, groceries, and/or the payment of outstanding bills, credit cards etc). The scheme is administered, and payments made at the sole discretion of the Ambulance Employees Association WA.

**Conditions:**  
Any amount paid on the death of a Member will not exceed \$5,000. The total of all such payments per financial year is capped at \$25,000 subject to the discretion of the AEAWA Committee. The scheme is to be administered by the AEAWA President in consultation with the Executive Committee. In the case of any dispute arising in regard to payments made or proposed to be made out of the scheme the Executive will have the sole right to determine payment, and to whom the payment will be made, if any. The \$5,000 payment can be used towards the cost of the Member's funeral including any associated costs, or to otherwise relieve financial stress and is not to form part of the Member's estate. Members must be current and financial in order for the nominated or designated person to access the service. The benefit will be paid upon receipt of reasonable evidence of death. New Members will be covered only for accidental death in their first 12 months of AEAWA membership, but after a 12 month qualifying period, the Member will be eligible for the full benefit regardless of cause of death (i.e. cover includes pre-existing illness). Members are encouraged to nominate a beneficiary to receive the bereavement payment. Where the Member nominates a person to be the recipient of the payment the nomination is to be in writing and must be one person only. The nominated person may be altered in writing at any time by the Member in which case the new nomination will automatically revoke the nomination of any previous nominee advised by the Member. Subject to the rules of this scheme, where the Member fails to nominate a person, without obligation, the Association may, at their sole discretion, make payment to a person the Association deems to be the Member's next of kin or other appropriate beneficiary. No contracts are entered into, and the AEAWA reserves the right to alter conditions at its sole discretion.