

Apprenticeship

ASSISTANT PRACTITIONER IN HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

Level 5

Why study this course?

Assistant Practitioners work as part of the wider health and social care team and have direct contact with patients, service users or clients providing high quality and compassionate care.

Assistant Practitioners work at a level above that of Healthcare Support Workers and have a more in-depth understanding about factors that influence health and ill-health.

Who is the course aimed at?

This course would suit support staff working in the health and social care sector that have the motivation and potential to progress into academic study or within their job roles. Essential to the learner's success is a vocational professional attitude and value base. The potential for managing yourself and other staff within challenging situations is also key to this programme.

What will you study

- ▶ *Level 5 Foundation Degree in Health and Social Care*
- ▶ *Workplace competencies, in line with The Code of Conduct for Healthcare Support Workers and Adult Social Care Workers in England*
- ▶ *Completion of the Assistant Practitioners Standard*
- ▶ *The Care Certificate*

Qualification gained

- ▶ *Level 5 Foundation Degree in Health and Social Care*
- ▶ *Assistant Practitioners Standard*
- ▶ *The Care Certificate*

Knowledge and skills you will develop

- ▶ *Applied anatomy and physiology*
- ▶ *Effective assessment, planning, delivery and management of high quality care*
- ▶ *Applied clinical skills*
- ▶ *Public health agendas, inequalities, government policies and clinical guidelines*
- ▶ *Standard operating procedures, protocols and systems*
- ▶ *Activity planning skills*

Behaviours you will develop

- ▶ *Personal and professional development*
- ▶ *Approach to learning*
- ▶ *Ethics and integrity*
- ▶ *Treating people as individuals*
- ▶ *Adopting a respectful and empathetic approach*
- ▶ *Demonstrating discretion*
- ▶ *Following best practice*
- ▶ *Contributing to service development*
- ▶ *Team working and collaboration*
- ▶ *Adaptability*

Progression to further study

- Successful apprentices can progress, if opportunity allows, onto:
- ▶ *BSc (Hons) Health and Social Care degree programme*

Entry requirements

You must be employed in a Health and Social Care or NHS setting.

You must have the full support of your employer/line manager and be able to attend agreed taught sessions.

Level 3 NVQ or equivalent, Level 2 Maths and English.

How long will it last?

Typical duration: 18 - 24 months

How will it be delivered?

The knowledge requirements will be delivered 1 day a week.

The competency requirements will largely be delivered within the workplace environment, via directed distance learning, regular assessor one to one tutorials and some evening classes.

20% off-the-job training during contracted hours.

How will it be assessed?

A college workplace assessor will visit you within your workplace to carry out observations on your skills and check that learning is being implemented.

The Standard will be assessed through End Point Assessment once the apprentice, employer and assessor have agreed that the apprentice is EPA Gateway ready.

Further details

- ▶ *Further details on this standard can be found online at: www.instituteforapprenticeships.org*

Who to contact

- ▶ *For more information please contact our Workforce Development Team on 01704 392874*