

Apprenticeship in Health & Social Care

This programme will guide and assess the development of the knowledge and skills of those employed within the health and social care sector. The qualifications included will be relevant to those supporting adults in roles such as:

- Care assistants/support workers/key workers in residential, day settings or domiciliary services
- Healthcare assistants / support workers in community and primary care environments
- Support workers in supported living projects

On completion of this apprenticeship framework, the candidate will receive the following qualifications and certificates:

- City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma in Health & Social Care (Adults)
- City & Guilds Level 2 Certificate in Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care
- Key Skills – Application of Number Level 1 and Communication Level 1
- Apprenticeship in Health and Social Care

Level 2 Diploma in Health & Social Care

To achieve the Level 2 Diploma in Health & Social Care (Adults), the candidate must achieve a minimum of 46 credits.

This will comprise of:

course units

Mandatory Units – 9 units (24 credits)

These units cover areas such as:

- communication
- personal development
- equality and inclusion
- duty of care
- principles of safeguarding and protection
- the role of the health and social care worker
- health and safety, handling information

Optional Units - (minimum 22 credits)

The optional units available are designed to add flexibility to the real working context of the candidate. There are three optional contexts which can be followed depending on the individual's job role:

- Generic qualification - Free choice of units
- Dementia pathway - 2 pathway units required then free choice
- Learning disability pathway - 2 pathway units required then free choice

Level 2 Certificate in Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care

This qualification consists of 9 units which are linked to the Mandatory Units of the Diploma detailed above. It aims to introduce and enhance knowledge through assignments and related work based activities.

Key Skills

These are essential skills that are critical to develop and succeed in the workplace today. There are two key skill areas which participants complete through a combination of work-based assessments and an on-line test:

- Application of Number Level 1
- Communication Level 1

Course Delivery

An Assessor will visit the candidate at their workplace at least every three weeks for approximately two hours. In addition to this, they will be set approximately four hours of work to complete before the next meeting.

Recommended Time on Framework

The recommended time to complete this Apprenticeship framework is 14 months.

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