

Course Specification

Advanced Apprenticeship

Health & Social Care

Entry Requirements

No formal qualifications are required but individuals will normally have completed an NVQ level 2 and will be working at/towards a senior care position. They should also be enthusiastic, motivated, reliable and prepared to work hard. Good communication skills are essential and it is important to be understanding and show respect for others.

Awarding Body

The awarding body is City and Guilds: All City and guilds qualifications are designed to recognise skills used in the workplace.

Programme Content

The Advanced Apprenticeship includes a National Vocational qualification (NVQ) level 3 in Health and Social Care, a Technical Certificate at level 3 and Key Skills Application of number and Communication at level 2.

Duration and Format

Sessions and observations will be delivered in the workplace, but may also be available in the training centre. The Advanced Apprenticeship will normally take 18 months to complete the full framework.

About the Qualification

NVQ level 3 in Health and Social Care allows an individual to learn and gain a nationally recognised qualification.

Units

NVQ

- Unit HSC 31 Promote effective communication for and about individuals
- Unit HSC 32 Promote, monitor & maintain health, safety and security in the working environment.
- Unit HSC 33 Reflect on and develop your practice
- Unit HSC 35 Promote choice, well-being and the protection of all individuals

Technical certificate

- Unit 005 Reflecting on and developing own practice in a health and social care setting
- Unit 006 Promoting effective communication for and about individuals in a health & social care setting
- Unit 007 Promote health and safety practice in a health and social care setting

National Vocational Qualifications are designed to meet the standards set by industry in occupational areas. They are designed to cover various aspects of a job or area of work, assessing skills actually used in the workplace.

The Technical Certificate develops understanding and skills which can be adapted to a work setting.

Key skills are the skills which are most commonly needed to succeed in a range of activities, learning to use and adapt communication and number skills in a range of settings and contexts.

Assessment guidelines

Individuals will be assessed by observation in the workplace and by completing a portfolio of evidence which will include completing a variety of assignments. Support is offered in the workplace or in the training centre.

Candidates will be assessed in the following areas:

NVQ – four mandatory units plus 4 optional units, Technical certificate – four units, Key skills – application of number and Communication

Progression

NVQ Level 4
Foundation degree
Managerial role

Continued over.

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Units continued:

Technical certificate continued

Adult Pathway:

Unit 009 Promoting choice, well-being and the protection of all individuals in a health & social care setting.

Key skills

(Application of number)

N1.1 Interpret information from 2 different sources

N1.2 Carry out and check calculations

N1.3 Interpret the results of calculations

(Communication)

C1.2a Take part in a group discussion

C1.2b Give a talk of at least 4 minutes

C2.2 Read and summarise information from at least 2 documents

C2. Write 2 different types of document