

COURSE INFORMATION



University
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Somerset

Part of Bridgwater & Taunton College

Healthcare Assistant Practitioner Apprenticeship Standard Level 5

Subject:	Health & Social Care
Type:	Apprenticeship
Course Code:	APW326T/AR1
Attendance:	Part Time
Location:	College and Workplace
Awarding body:	City & Guilds

Who is this course for?

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

Assistant Practitioner may be applied to a very wide variety of roles that have been developed locally by employers to meet individual service need or specialist services.

Description

This Apprenticeship Standard builds and develops your knowledge and skills to support your responsibility undertake defined clinical or therapeutic interventions appropriately delegated by a Registered Practitioner. It is ideal for those seeking to further develop their own skills and knowledge, and that of others, through recognised Continuing Professional Development (CPD) activities enabling flexibility in practice and responsiveness to changing service needs.

The course promotes your understanding of the impact of effective health promotion, empowering, healthy lifestyles such as movement and nutrition and fluid balance; develops evidenced based practice to enable recommendations to improve the quality of service delivery and builds your ability to communicate complex sensitive information to a wide variety of professionals through a variety of methods.

It will help you to ensure a service is safe, effective, caring, responsive to people's needs and you will also gain a Level 5 Diploma for Assistant Practitioners in Healthcare.

Modules are taught through work-based support, lectures and workshops. Topics include:

- Principles and philosophy of health and social care

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- Physiology, organisation and function of the human body
- Lifespan developments and healthcare needs from prenatal to end of life/bereavement
- Research and development in the health and social care sector to inform and improve quality of care
- Provision and promotion of holistic person centred care and support, duty of care and safeguarding of individuals
- The importance of the strategic environment in health and social care and the implications for the individual
- The importance of current evidence based practice within scope of the role

Teaching and Assessment

- Practical assessment by observation in the working environment.
- Written coursework
- Portfolio
- Completion of the Care Certificate
- End Point Assessment
- A multiple choice and short answer test
- An observation of practice undertaken in the workplace
- A reflective journal completed by the apprentice and an interview.

Progression Opportunities

- Upon successful completion of this standard, individuals will have obtained the core skills, knowledge and values/behaviours to become an Assistant Practitioner.
- For those Assistant Practitioners who wish to progress into Registered Practice, the apprenticeship can provide credits into some Higher Education programmes aligned to professional registration

Destinations

- Assistant Practitioners can be found working in a range of areas such as Cancer Services, Physiotherapy, Genito- Urinary Medicine, Orthopaedics, Hospice Care, Mental Health, Social Care, Community, Occupational Therapy, Learning Disabilities as well as hybrid roles that cross traditional occupational areas.

Entry Requirements

- Supervision by a Registered Practitioner and in accordance with their employer's policy, protocols and standard operating procedures, who remains accountable for the appropriate and effective delegation of activities and must ensure that the Assistant Practitioner has the competency, confidence and expertise to carry out such activities.
- Work in line with The Code of Conduct for Healthcare Support Workers and Adult Social Care Workers in England.

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- University Centre Interview