

Health, Science and Social Care Professions

Care Worker (Adults) Level 2 Apprenticeship

In Brief

Start Date / Duration

You may start an apprenticeship at any time. You will study for 12 to 18 months.

Entry Requirements

- You need to be employed within a Health and Social care setting and have an employer in the area willing to take you on as an apprentice. Please see our **Apprenticeship vacancies:** <https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/our-departments/apprenticeships/apprenticeship-vacancies/>
- You will need to provide evidence of both a recent DBS disclosure check and a mandatory workplace induction

You will achieve

Level 2 Apprenticeship Standard – Adult Care Worker. This qualification includes a Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults) for England (QCF). The Care Certificate must be achieved as part of the Apprenticeship Standard.

Course Overview

Adult Care Workers make a positive difference to the lives of people faced with physical, practical, social, emotional or intellectual challenges. They may work in residential or nursing homes, domiciliary care, day centres, a person's own home or some clinical healthcare settings. Working with people, feeling passionate about supporting and enabling them to live a more independent and fulfilling life is a rewarding and worthwhile job that provides excellent career opportunities. Please see link for further details:

Click here [<https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/>] for further information regarding the Standard Apprenticeship.

Course Content

You must complete the 15 standards as set out in the Care Certificate which forms part of your mandatory induction delivered in the workplace by your employer. The Care Certificate is a requirement for all apprentices and builds on the previous Common Induction Standards (CIS) and National Minimum Training Standards.

An Adult Care Worker must know and understand:

- The tasks and responsibilities of the job role relevant to the context of the service in which they are working. This could include supporting with social activities, monitoring health, assisting with eating, mobility and personal care.
- How to support and enable individuals to achieve their personal aims and goals.
- What dignity means in how to work with individuals and others.
- The importance of communication.
- How to support individuals to remain safe from harm (Safeguarding).
- How to work professionally, including your own professional development.
- How to support individuals they are working with according to their personal care/support plan.
- How to ask for help from an appropriate person when not confident or skilled in any aspect of their role.
- How to provide individuals with information to enable them to have choice about the way they are supported.
- How to encourage individuals to participate in the way their care and support is delivered.
- Ensure the individual knows what they are agreeing to regarding the way in which they are supported.
- How to contribute to the on-going development of care/support plans for the individual they support.
- How to support individuals with cognitive, physical or sensory impairments

How will I be assessed?

Your assessor will carry out planned observation visits in the workplace.

You will also complete an end point assessment to measure your skills, knowledge and behaviours as set out in the apprenticeship standard.

What Equipment Will I Need?

You will need access to a computer and the internet.

Where will I study?

You will study either in your place or work or at the college. We usually offer a full one-day workshop session with your assessor each month. You will usually complete your work using an ePortfolio.

What can I do next?

On successful completion of this apprenticeship you will be a competent and job-ready Health and Social Care Support Worker. Progression to Level 3 qualifications related to your job role is an option after a period of working and gaining experience and you may be able to work towards a Senior Health and Social Care Support Worker role.

How much does the course cost?

There is no cost to being an apprentice. All costs associated with your apprenticeship, including the cost of training and your salary, will be paid by your employer.

Financial support

You may be eligible for assistance with expenses such as travel, books, equipment and childcare. For further information please contact the Student Services Team on +44 (0)1226 216 267.

Extra information

Contact the Apprenticeship Team

For further information please contact the team on 01226 216166 or email: apprenticeships@barnsley.ac.uk [mailto:apprenticeships@barnsley.ac.uk]

Want to join Barnsley Sports Academy and the Sports Village?

Barnsley College has a range of sports opportunities for all students to take part in, gain professional training and compete nationally and internationally. We also have a state-of-the-art fitness village, Honeywell Sports Village [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/shops-services/honeywell-sports-village/>] where students can make use of our fitness suite, spinning studio and classes for competitive rates. You don't have to be studying sport to get involved in the Sports Academy [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/barnsley-sports-academy/>].

Additional Learning Support

Our Additional Learning Support team can provide you with the support you need. Please contact them on +44 (0)1226 216 769.

English and Maths

Having good English and Maths qualifications are important for most careers and we want to give you the help you need to succeed.

If you are aged 16 – 19 and don't already have a grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths they will automatically be included in your study programme. If you want to work towards higher grades in English and Maths we can help you do that too.

Need a higher level Maths qualification? We offer a [Level 3 Mathematical Studies \(Core Maths\)](#).

This can be added to your study programme.

If you need any further information, please contact our friendly [Information Team](#).

Disclaimer

Please note we reserve the right to change details without notice. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

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