

APPRENTICESHIPS IN THE NHS

If you aren't sure if university is the right path, or you feel like a hands-on approach is more you, take a look at these awesome apprenticeships that are available in the NHS!

What IS an apprenticeship???

It's a job with training, you get paid and you gain recognised qualifications and essential skills while you work. All you need to do to apply is be the right age, 16+, and away you go!

Decoding apprenticeship levels

When you apply for your apprenticeship you apply for one depending on your current level of education. This can get super confusing so here is our quick guide!

Level 2 "Intermediate Apprenticeship" – this is equivalent to 5-6 GCSEs at A* or 8/9. This allows you to progress to Level 3 and is great if you didn't quite get the GCSE grades you wanted.

Level 3 "Advanced Apprenticeship" – this is equivalent to 2 A-Levels, to do this you will need 5 GCSEs at grade 4/C or above. Good if you want to continue in further education but not at a sixth form.

Level 4-7 "Higher Apprenticeship" – this is the same as a foundation degree, for this you will need either A-levels OR a Level 3 apprenticeship. Pick this if you know after your A-levels that more studying isn't for you.

Level 6-7 "Degree Apprenticeship" – this is equivalent to a full bachelors or masters degree, A-levels are essential for this OR a higher apprenticeship. Perfect if you want a job in the NHS that requires a degree, but you feel university will have too much of an academic focus to suit your learning style.

Some of the apprenticeships available:

Level 2 "Intermediate"	Level 3 "Advanced"	L4-7 "Higher and Degree"
Preoperative Support	Dental Nursing	Healthcare Science Associate
Medical Laboratory Assistant	Pharmacy Services	Nursing Degree NEW
Healthcare Science Assistant	Maternity and Paediatric Support	Care, Leadership and Management
Emergency Care Assistance	Allied Health Profession Support	Assistant Practitioner
Health and Social Care	Physiotherapy Assistant NEW	Business Administration

Apply direct to your local NHS hospital trust or via gov.uk

Take 1-4 years to complete

National minimum wage for an apprentice is £3.50 per hour

Learn in the workplace and in college