

Level 2

Healthcare Science Assistant

TYPICAL DURATION: 14 MONTHS



Role Profile

The Healthcare Science Assistant (HCSA) is a support workforce that plays a crucial role in ensuring safe patient care. They work in various healthcare settings such as hospitals, general practices, and other healthcare facilities. HCSAs are responsible for performing a range of low-risk technical and scientific procedures related to healthcare science. They follow specific protocols and adhere to health, safety, governance, and ethical requirements. Initially, HCSAs work under direct supervision, but with experience, they can work under indirect supervision and rely on standard operating procedures.

Additional Requirements

English and maths qualifications must be completed in line with the apprenticeship funding rules

Level 2 Diploma in Healthcare Science

Course Content

During their apprenticeship, individuals gain skills, knowledge, and behaviours in their chosen role and industry. This includes duties such as; Person-Centred Care, Communication and Working with Others, Health & Safety, Technical Scientific Services, Clinical Care, Audit/Service Improvement, Research & Innovation, Leadership, and Quality.

Apprenticeship Assessment

This Apprenticeship has 2 assessment methods.

- Observation of practice with questions
- Professional Discussion, underpinned by a portfolio of evidence

Further Information

On completion of the HCSA Apprenticeship individuals will be eligible to apply to join the Academy for HCS (AHCS) accredited register.

Typical Job Roles

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Progression Routes

Healthcare Science Associate

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