

# 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 improve the lives of individuals facing physical, practical, social, emotional, or intellectual challenges. They work in various settings such as residential homes, day centres, or individuals' homes, providing support to help people live independently and with dignity. This rewarding role offers excellent career prospects for those passionate about making a positive difference. Click here [<https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/>] for further information regarding the Standard Apprenticeship.

You will learn to:

1. **Understand the Care Role:** Perform key tasks such as assisting with personal care, mobility, eating, and social activities, tailored to individual needs.
2. **Support Personal Goals and Choices:** Help individuals achieve their goals and make informed decisions about their care and support.
3. **Maintain Dignity and Communication:** Work with respect and dignity, ensuring effective communication with individuals and others.
4. **Ensure Safety and Safeguarding:** Keep individuals safe from harm, understanding safeguarding protocols and when to ask for help.
5. **Promote Professionalism:** Uphold high standards of professionalism and contribute to your own development while supporting care plans.
6. **Support Diverse Needs:** Assist individuals with cognitive, physical, or sensory impairments, adapting care to their unique needs.

*Note:* 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.

## Course Content

### 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 01226 216 267.

## Extra information

### Contact the Apprenticeship Team

For further information please contact the team on 01226 216 166 or email: [apprenticeships@barnsley.ac.uk](mailto:apprenticeships@barnsley.ac.uk) [<mailto:apprenticeships@barnsley.ac.uk>]

## Want to join Barnsley Sports Academy and Honeywell 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. Call 01226 216 769 for further information.

## 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 hold a grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths, you will automatically be included in your study programme. If you want to work towards achieving a higher grade in English and Maths, we can help you do that too and we offer Level 3 Mathematical Studies (Core Maths) which can be added to your study programme.

If you're aged 19 or above and don't hold a a grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths we can help. We offer FREE English and Maths qualifications that can be studied on a part-time basis, subject to eligibility.

If you need any further information, please contact our Information Team by calling 01226 216 123 or emailing [info@barnsley.ac.uk](mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk) [mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk]

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