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Course Information

Intermediate Apprenticeship in Health and Social Care
Course Code - W2110

What is an Apprenticeship?
The Apprenticeship programme provides you with an opportunity to earn while you learn. As an Apprentice you will spend time both in College and in the workplace learning new skills and training alongside experienced staff, which will lead to nationally recognised qualifications. At the end of the Apprenticeship you will have acquired job specific skills and the ability to perform your job competently; you will also achieve qualifications which are recognised by your chosen profession.

Venue and duration of course:
The Apprenticeship programme will take place both at East Surrey College and at the workplace and will run for approximately 12 months.

Entry requirements:
There are no formal entry requirements for an Apprenticeship but you must be in paid work for a minimum of 30 hours per week. It is essential you have the right mind-set for working full time and studying at the same time. Having a can-do attitude, being flexible and reliable are also important. You must also be able to communicate effectively with others.

What qualifications will I get?
The Apprenticeship is made up of a number of qualifications that you will receive, which includes:
- The Diploma in Health and Social Care
- The Certificate in Preparing to work in Adult Social Care
- English Functional Skills
- Maths Functional Skills
- Employment Rights and Responsibilities
- Personal, Learning and Thinking Skills

Course description:
The Level 2 NVQ/Diploma in Health & Social Care is designed to reflect the work of candidates who provide support to service users within a range of Health and Social Care settings. The qualification is work based and supports all staff to develop the knowledge, skills and competencies needed to work as a team member in a care environment. The award will look at all aspects of the care worker role and its requirements. These include interaction with service users and colleagues, to hands on care and supporting service users with making daily decisions and choices.

As with all qualifications, candidates need support. Where possible we encourage all organisations to allocate a named mentor in the workplace to support the candidate with day to day concerns about study or general duties within their role.

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Units/topics covered:

Students can undertake a number of pathways depending on their role. These routes include

- Dementia
- Adults with Learning Disabilities
- Generic pathway

Type of assessment:

This qualification is work based and students are assessed on their ability to perform a range of tasks connected with their work. Students plan a programme of development and assessment with their assessor and compile a portfolio of evidence to prove that they are competent and knowledgeable in their work role.

Where can it lead?

Accreditation towards further Health & Social Care qualifications and improved skills and knowledge, which could lead to promotion.

Course fee: If you are under 19 when you start your apprenticeship then tuition is free. If you are 19 or over please call our Employer Services team for advice and guidance on funding and eligibility.

What to do next:

If you have an employer please contact our Employer Services team on 01737 788316 or by emailing employerservices@esc.ac.uk.

To find an employer all Apprenticeship vacancies are advertised on the National Apprenticeship Website - https://www.gov.uk/apply-Apprenticeship.

Candidates who are unable to secure employment should consider applying for a full time programme at the college or may consider a Traineeship programme.