

Healthcare Assistant Practitioner Level 5

Assistant Practitioners work as part of the wider health and social care team and have direct contact with patients, service users or clients, providing high quality and compassionate care. They work at a level above that of Healthcare Support Workers and have a more in-depth understanding about factors that influence health.

Assistant Practitioners can be found working in a range of areas such as Cancer Services, Physiotherapy, Genito-Urinary Medicine, Orthopaedics, Hospice Care and Mental Health. Examples of common work activities include assisting in total patient assessment, coordination of care (including referrals to other practitioners) and higher clinical skills such as catheterisation, wound care and discharge planning.

The duration for this apprenticeship is 18-24 months. Upon successful completion of this apprenticeship, you will have obtained the core skills, knowledge and values/behaviours to become an Assistant Practitioner.

This apprenticeship is completed whilst studying the [FD Health and Wellbeing](#). Click [here](#) to find out more information about course, assessment methods, student handbooks and programme specifications, and staff profiles.

In addition to the course assessments, apprentices will complete an end point assessment. It includes the following components:

1. A multiple choice and short answer test
2. An observation of practice undertaken in the workplace
3. A reflective journal completed by the apprentice and an interview.

The purpose of this is to test (in a synoptic way) the skills, knowledge and behaviours of the apprentice as set out in the apprenticeship standard.

The end point assessment:

- Provides apprentices with a showcase opportunity to provide oral and documentary evidence of their knowledge, skills and behaviours developed throughout the apprenticeship
- Enables the independent assessor to assess the skills and behaviours of the apprentice by observing the apprentice in the course of their normal work
- Tests the knowledge acquired by the apprentice throughout the apprenticeship.

For those Assistant Practitioners who wish to progress into Registered Practice, the apprenticeship can provide credits into some Higher Education programmes aligned to professional registration.

For more information about the Assistant Practitioner (Health) Level 5 apprenticeship, please contact engage@ucl Leeds.ac.uk or call 0113 235 4510.