

# **Apprenticeship Description**

Date	16/02/2023
Apprenticeship Title	Adult Care Worker Apprenticeship (Health and Social Care)
Apprenticeship Level	Level 2
Training Provider	tbc
Expected Duration	15 months

### **Apprenticeship description**

As an Adult Care Worker apprentice within Cumberland Council you will receive:

- High quality training and development opportunities
- Personalised support from managers and mentors
- The opportunity to work alongside skilled and experienced staff gaining valuable job specific and transferable skills that will support you in your future career

#### Key job specific accountabilities

The staff team provide a service which enables service users to maintain the maximum possible level of independence, choice and control within an environment of safeguarding and respect. Some of your duties may involve providing personal, social and emotional care and support, which includes:

- Supporting service users with their nutritional needs and diet
- Assisting service users with personal hygiene
- Providing opportunities that will enrich the life of each individual by identifying and creating experiences and activities that are both stimulating and fulfilling
- Adhering to the infection control policy
- Throughout all work activities, promoting and demonstrating best practice in accordance with Cumbria Care Quality Assurance Procedures, to ensure compliance with the requirements of Care Quality Commission (CQC) and other regulatory bodies

These are the personal attributes and behaviours expected of all Adult Care Workers carrying out their roles:

- Care is caring consistently and enough about individuals to make a positive difference to their lives
- Compassion is delivering care and support with kindness, consideration, dignity and respect
- Courage is doing the right thing for people and speaking up if the individual they support
  is at risk
- Communication good communication is central to successful caring relationships and effective team working
- Competence is applying knowledge and skills to provide high quality care and support
- Commitment to improving the experience of people who need care and support ensuring it is person centred

#### **Essential Criteria - Qualifications, knowledge, experience and expertise**

Please note that your application will be assessed against the Qualifications; Skills and Personal Qualities and Behaviours listed below. In your application form you must therefore clearly demonstrate:

- 1. that you meet all qualification requirements, and
- 2. that you have or would develop, the skills, personal qualities and behaviours required of the role and provide examples where possible

Qualifications required:	A good level of English, Maths and ICT and be prepared to learn further.
Desired Skills	<ul> <li>We welcome applications from self-motivated individuals who are able to work as part of a team and are willing to learn and develop the following skills:</li> <li>Excellent communication skills</li> <li>Excellent organisation and planning skills</li> <li>Excellent listening and observation skills</li> <li>Excellent customer services skills</li> <li>Excellent levels of IT competency (Microsoft office software including Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook)</li> <li>Excellent time management skills</li> </ul>
Personal Qualities and Behaviours	<ul> <li>All employees must adhere to the following behaviours:</li> <li>Communicate in a clear and constructive way</li> <li>Act with honesty and respect for others</li> <li>Demonstrate a positive flexible attitude</li> <li>Take responsibility for our actions</li> <li>Be committed to one team</li> </ul>

#### **Training provided**

- Level 2 Adult Care Worker Apprenticeship
- Functional Skills in Maths and English if required

Cumberland Council works with a range of high quality training providers, who deliver qualification and training courses for apprentices employed by the council.

These training providers will undertake the initial aptitude assessments; support with the recruitment process; deliver the qualification training (and ongoing assessments) and work closely with council staff to support apprentices to successfully complete their apprenticeship and move on to further training or employment.

## **Disclosure and Barring Service – DBS Checks**

• This post requires an enhanced DBS check.

#### **Other Factors**

- You must ensure that you are able to travel to and from the work location specified on a daily basis. A maximum of up to £15.00 per week will be paid to support your travel from home to work.
- Following the successful completion of the apprenticeship programme many of our apprentices have moved on to either a higher level apprenticeship or have secured permanent employment with the council or other employers and have embarked on an exciting career pathway. Whilst there is no guarantee that a position would become available at the end of your apprenticeship, Cumberland Council works in partnership with other organisations throughout the county to maximise the opportunities that are available to apprentices. The skills you learn and the qualifications gained will be transferable to other roles either within Cumberland Council or with other employers.