

## Pharmacy Technician



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Subject Area	Pharmacy
Course Type	Apprenticeships
Study Level	Level 3
Delivery Mode	Part-time
Location	Workplace
Duration	2 Academic Years
Start Date	Year round enrolment
Course Code	PA000163

### Course Summary

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Apprenticeships give you the opportunity to learn and train in your chosen career as well as earning a regular pay packet. You will be given first-hand experience and learn the majority of the skills needed on the job, whilst also completing off-the-job training.

Pharmacy apprentices work in a hospital or community pharmacy undertaking a variety of tasks under the supervision of a qualified pharmacist. Duties vary depending on the setting, but may include selling over-the-counter medicines, dispensing prescriptions, ordering pharmaceutical stock and providing medical information to patients.

### What You Will Learn

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Typically the role will include the following:

- Providing safe and effective pharmacy services
- Supply medicines and devices to patients, whether on prescription or over the

counter

- Achieving the best outcomes through a patient's medicines
- Assemble medicines for prescriptions
- Provide information to patients and other healthcare professionals
- Manage areas of medicines supply such as dispensaries
- Supervise other pharmacy staff
- Answering customers questions face to face or by phone
- Pre-packing, assembling and labelling medicines
- Referring problems or queries to the pharmacist

A Pharmacy Technician is responsible for carrying out both routine and specialist services, including highly complex activities requiring them to use their professional judgement. They are expected to work both individually and as part of a multidisciplinary team. They are able to work with minimum supervision, with a high degree of autonomy, taking responsibility for the quality and accuracy of the work that they have undertaken and that of others.

## Entry Requirements

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Entry to this course requires four GCSEs at grade A\*-C/ 9-4, three of which must include English language, Mathematics and one Science subject, Biology or Chemistry (please contact us if it is a Physics qualification).

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