

Working in this sector involves providing care and support to clients of all ages and with a wide range of needs. This could be the elderly, people with learning disabilities or mental health issues in hospitals, care homes or in their own homes. In the care environment, you could be helping patients to move around and assisting them with tasks such as eating and dressing.

This apprenticeship is for anyone who is looking for (or is already working in) a career in a care environment, such as a nursing or residential home, domiciliary care, hospital or GP surgery. The ideal candidate would be patient, reliable, trustworthy, a good listener and communicator, a 'people' person and have a caring nature.

What qualifications can I study for?

Through a Hoople apprenticeship, you can study for a City and Guilds Level 2, Level 3 or Level 5 qualification in Health and Social Care. You will also receive help with your functional skills (maths and English) if you don't already have good GCSEs in these areas.

What job opportunities are there for people who have these skills?

Hoople works with a large number of local care providers who offer health and social care apprenticeship opportunities. Qualifications in this area will prepare you for work in many healthcare settings and provide a springboard for career progression in the sector.

Although apprenticeships do not provide you with a guarantee of employment when they end, many employers do decide to retain their apprentices. Whatever happens, apprenticeships will open the door to many career opportunities.

