

Lead Practitioner in Adult Care

The Lead Practitioner in Adult Care will guide and inspire team members to make positive differences to someone's life when they are faced with physical, practical, social, emotional, psychological or intellectual challenges. They will have achieved a level of self-development to be recognised as a lead practitioner within the care team, contributing to, promoting and sustaining a values-based culture at an operational level.

A Lead Practitioner has a greater depth of knowledge and expertise of particular conditions being experienced by the user of services. They will have specialist skills and knowledge in their area of responsibilities which will allow them to lead in areas such as care needs assessment, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, rehabilitation and enablement, telecare and assistive technology. They will be a coach and mentor to others and will have a role in assessing performance and quality of care delivery.

Lead Practitioners in Adult Care may work in residential or nursing homes, domiciliary care, day centres, a person's own home or some clinical healthcare settings. As well as covering Lead Practitioners in Adult Care this standard also covers Lead Personal Assistants who can work at this senior level but they may only work directly for one individual who needs support and/or care services, usually within their own home.

Examples of job roles include Dementia Lead, Re-ablement Worker, Physiotherapy Assistant, Occupational Therapy Assistant, Public Health Associate Worker, Keeping in Contact Worker, Community Care/Support Officer, Social Care Assessor, Care Assessment Officer, Social Services Officer, Brokerage Worker, Rehabilitation and Reablement Assistant, Independence Support Assistant, Reablement Support Workers/Officer, Telecare Assistant and Assistive Technology Co-ordinator/Officer.

Course contents

The Level 4 Diploma in Adult Care features 12 mandatory units and a wide range of optional specialist and competence units. These cover areas including dementia, Parkinson's, public funding, autism, assistive technology, appraising staff performance and assessing needs.

Alongside the Level 4 Diploma, the new learning delivered as part of the Standard will improve your knowledge and skills in:

- Tasks and responsibilities
- Dignity and human rights
- Communication
- Safeguarding
- Health and wellbeing
- Professional development

Assessment

- Level 4 Diploma
- Observation of Practice
- 90 minute Professional Discussion
- Grading (pass, distinction)

Funding cap

£7,000

Average duration

18 months

Level 4

Qualifications

**Level 4 Diploma
in Adult Care**

Professional Accreditation

n/a



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