

Case study: Health and Social Care Apprentice

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What does your Apprenticeship involve?

I am employed at Seaview House for 39 hours a week and do my college work alongside working. As part of my Level 2, I have assignments and short reports and scenarios to complete and I create posters and booklets. Some of my work is also observational based which is carried out by my assessor. I cover areas such as employment law and equality and diversity. I think that you can transpose a lot of the learning you do to any area of work.

How did you hear about Apprenticeships?

I had heard previously about Apprenticeships as I have a cousin who trained as an apprentice Electrician. I was looking for a new job when I was unemployed and found Apprenticeship information online and looked into both Social Care and cooking.

Why did you choose Social Care?

It felt like something I could adapt to, I like pleasing other people and making them laugh. Social Care felt like a good fit for my personality and uses skills I have as a person.

What have you learnt since starting your Apprenticeship?

I have developed both my communication and my interpersonal skills.

Is there anything else you would like to add?

The money is low but on an Apprenticeship you can visualise where you are going. I know I can go from Level 2, to Level 3 and then onto management and from there my career is wide open. I would eventually like to own my own business and believe all the skills I will gain will help me with this. I can see that I will have gained both life and work experience and good qualifications which will provide me with a gateway to my future. I wasn't thinking like this when I started a previous study course so I know the Apprenticeship route has been right for me.

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