

Healthcare Assistant (Afternoon)

COURSE CONTENT	
Care of the Older Person	5N2706
Care Skills	5N2770
Care Support	5N0758
Communications	5N0690
Infection Prevention & Control	5N3734
Nutrition	5N2006
Palliative Care	5N3769
Work Experience	5N1356

INTRODUCTION

This course promotes the development of knowledge, skills and competencies necessary for students to work in a range of care environments while enhancing an awareness of the roles and responsibilities of the care assistant. Emphasis is placed on the importance of issues such as respect, dignity, empathy and confidentiality in the care of individuals in a healthcare setting. Students will participate in

- MAPA training (Management of Actual or Potential Aggression training)
- A fully equipped nursing/HCA room for all of their practical work
- Safety and Health at Work workshop
- Common Purpose *Pitstop* Leadership Programme for selected students.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Leaving Certificate, LCA or QQI Level 4. Mature students are exempt from Leaving Certificate requirement. All applicants are interviewed. Experience in the sector is vital for application to this course. *Note: Prospective students should also be aware that some aspects of this course are physically demanding and should satisfy themselves that they are physically fit enough to undertake it.*

CERTIFICATION

QQI Level 5 Health Services Skills 5M3782

Manual handling and people moving training and certification (requirement for work experience)

Vulnerable Adult Awareness Certificate

WORK PLACEMENT/EXPERIENCE

Students undertake work placement of two weeks in a hospital or care home setting in their own time. Garda vetting is an integral part of the application procedure for this course. Vaccinations are required for work experience in a healthcare setting.

EDUCATION PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

CCOC QQI Advanced Certificate in Health Services Supervisory Management Skills 6M4978. CCOC QQI Advanced Certificate in Psychosocial Awareness and Training (Inclusive Education and Training 6M2263). Excellent progression opportunities to UCC and other Higher Education colleges. Special arrangements in place with CIT (CCPS), Tralee IT and Waterford IT for preferential entry for College of Commerce students. Up to 390 CAO points for CIT can be attained by successful completion of this course.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Nursing homes, hospitals, agency work, private homecare sector, intellectual disability environments. All students can access the Jobs Advice Hub (see pg. 85). Graduates can subscribe to 'CCOC college jobs register' and CCOC LinkedIn alumni for up to date vacancies and networking.

COURSE SPECIFIC CONTACT DETAILS

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