HCSW, SHCSW and AP Apprentices End Point Assessment Flexibilities Announced

The Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education has worked with the Health apprenticeship standards Trailblazer groups and HEE to agree flexibilities to meet the challenge of apprentices achieving their observation element of the EPA during the Covid 19 crisis.

The following Covid-19 temporary discretions have been agreed until further notice.

**Healthcare Support Worker Level 2**

The observation assessment may be replaced with a reflective statement written by the apprentice and validated by an expert witness. This will be followed by a question and answer session of up to 30 minutes with an independent assessor.

**Senior Healthcare Support Worker Level 3**

The observation assessment may be replaced with a reflective statement written by the apprentice and validated by an expert witness. This will be followed by a question and answer session of up to 30 minutes with an independent assessor.

**Assistant Practitioner (Health) Level 5**

The observation assessment may be replaced with a reflective statement written by the apprentice and validated by an expert witness. This will be followed by a question and answer session of up to 30 minutes with an independent assessor.

For apprenticeship updates, resources and guidance related to Coronavirus (Covid-19) please visit [HASO](https://haso.skillsforhealth.org.uk/).