



North Bristol NHS Trust

Meet the apprentice

We are introducing to you **Laura Harvey**, a Healthcare Assistant apprentice at North Bristol NHS Trust.

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How did you get your apprenticeship?

I applied for the apprenticeship when I started my new role at the hospital.

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Who is your training provider and what is the study model like?

North Bristol NHS Trust, Julie Chaibi is my Practice Development teacher. The study model is good and my mentor "Julie" is very supportive.

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What types of things have you been doing in your off-the-job learning?

I undertook several training programmes within the trust and department e.g. Plaster Cast, Trauma Scribe, Decontamination and Major Incident, Blood Glucose and Point-of-Care Testing training.

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What has been the hardest part?

The hardest part has been dealing with the workload and working full-time. Also, it is difficult to find staff on the ward/department who has time to observe and sign off things.

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What has been the best part?

The best part has been learning new skills and competences within my job role and expanding my knowledge of emergency care.

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What tips do you have for people who want to do the same apprenticeship as you?

I would advise you to work hard and just go for it, it is hard and challenging, but no one said care support was easy! But just go for it and you can reach further aspirations and goals for yourself.

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What do you hope to do next?

I hope to complete my TNA (trainee nursing associate) role through the trust and UWE.