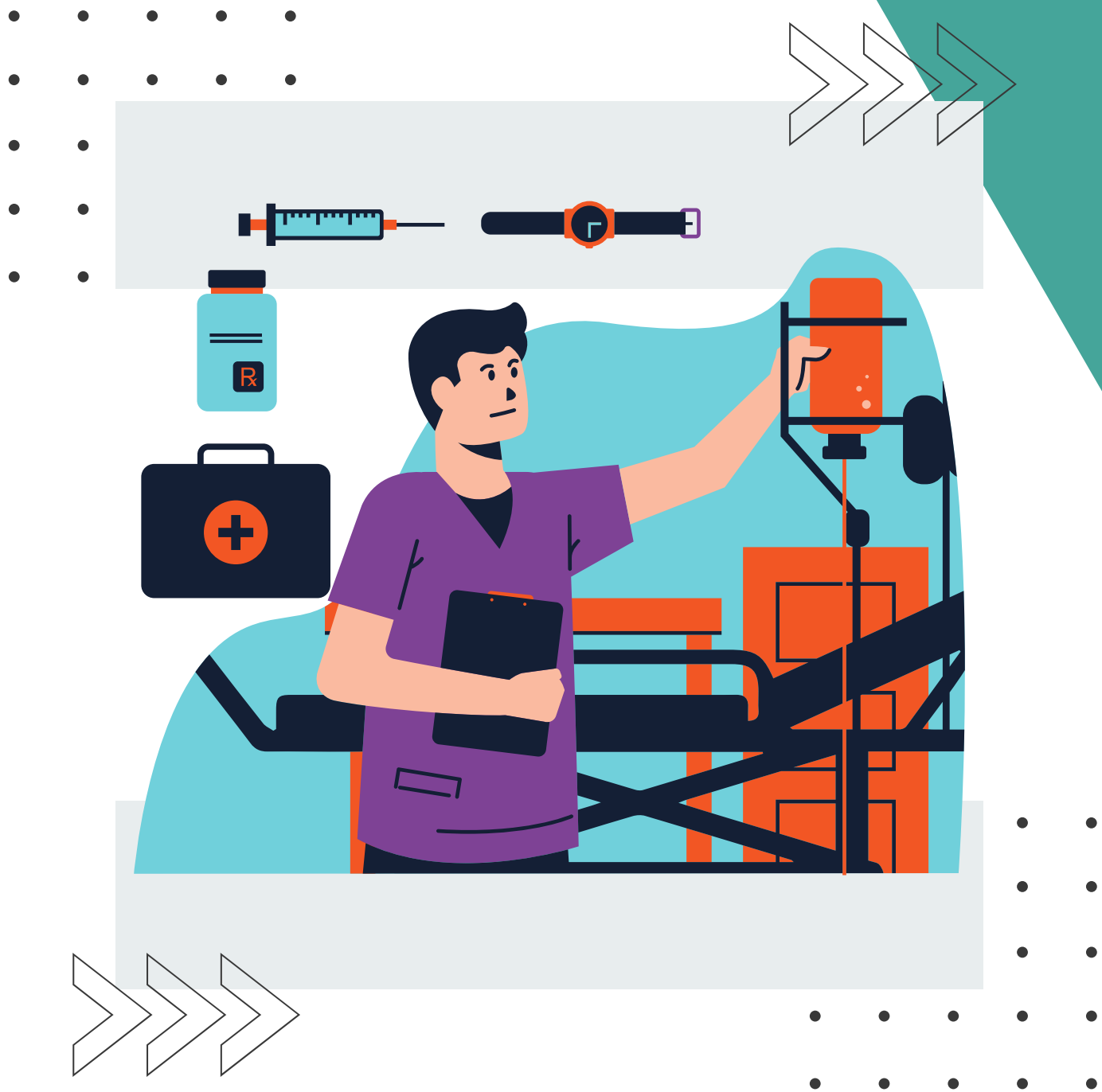


# ASSISTANT PRACTITIONER (HEALTH) APPRENTICESHIP

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# APPRENTICESHIP OVERVIEW

Assistant Practitioners assist registered healthcare professionals in total patient assessment, and in the coordination of care (including referrals to other practitioners) as well as undertaking clinical, diagnostic and therapeutic activities according to local population and service needs.

Assistant Practitioner is a job title applied to a very wide variety of roles that have been developed locally by employers to meet individual service need.

STANDARD



EPA

LEVEL  
5

DURATION  
24 MONTHS

REFERENCE  
ST0215



# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS

## Entry requirements

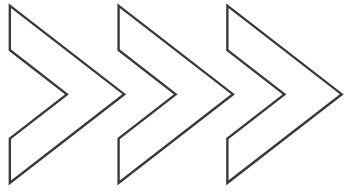
The employer, in partnership with the training provider, will determine the selection criteria for apprentices. Typically, apprentices will have achieved English and maths prior to starting the apprenticeship.

Apprentices without level 2 English and maths will need to achieve this level prior to taking the end-point assessment.

## Qualifications

Apprentices must complete a Foundation Degree Assistant Practitioner. An area of practice may be named in brackets, for example FdSc Assistant Practitioner (Rehabilitation).

All apprentices must also pass the apprenticeship end-point assessment.



# Training Provider

All providers who want to deliver apprenticeship training must be on the Apprenticeship Provider and Assessment Register (APAR). Employers must choose a provider from the Register.

Providers must meet a clear set of criteria in order to be included on the Register. These include financial health, capacity/capability and quality criteria. If a provider does not meet these criteria they will not be included on the Register.

[Click here](#) for a list of registered providers for the Assistant Practitioner (Health) apprenticeship.

Employers can also apply to the APAR to become an employer provider, find out more [here](#).



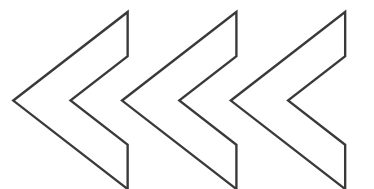
# End point assessment

As part of their apprenticeship, apprentices will have to complete end point assessment.

The end-point assessment organisation will assess the apprentice in line with the Assistant Practitioner (Health) End-point Assessment Plan. This ensures that all apprentices are assessed holistically to a consistent standard at the end of their apprenticeship.

Organisations offering end-point assessment will need to be registered on the Apprenticeship Provider and Assessment Register (APAR).

[Click here](#) for a list of EPAOs registered for the Assistant Practitioner (Health) apprenticeship.





# APPLYING AND PROGRESSION ROUTES

Candidates interested in applying for the Assistant Practitioner (Health) apprenticeship should visit [NHS Jobs](#), [Find an Apprenticeship website](#) and the [Find apprenticeship training for your apprentice](#) website. It may also be worth contacting training providers directly to make enquiries about the apprenticeships they offer.

Assistant Practitioner (Health) apprentices will be over 16 and may earn more than the minimum apprenticeship wage. Pay is determined locally so whilst it may be higher, it cannot be lower than this amount. [Click here](#) for more information on apprentice pay.

Once qualified an Assistant Practitioner (Health) will usually be paid at Band 4 ([Agenda for Change](#)).

With experience and academic ability to study at degree level, Assistant Practitioners can apply to train as a healthcare professional such as a Nurse, Dietitian, Physiotherapist, Podiatrist or Healthcare Science Practitioner.



# Case studies and resources



**Beth Lane - Assistant Practitioner apprentice**

“I have always been keen to progress my career, so I sought out the apprenticeship as an ideal opportunity.”



More case studies

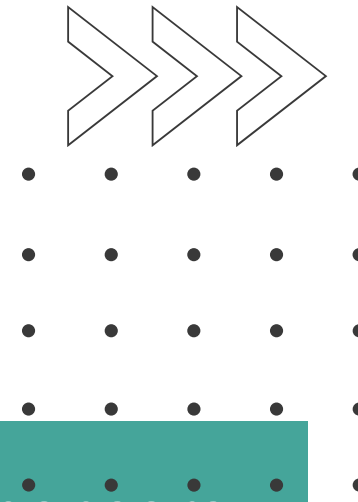
The HASO website has tools designed to help employers embed their apprenticeships, see resources below:

Toolkit - The toolkit is designed to support employers through the process, end to end, from setting out employers organisational strategy right through to when the apprentices are in the workplace.

Pathways tool - The pathways tool can be used to view different roles and how to move from one apprenticeship occupation to another.

Costing Calculator tool - The calculator tool can be used to work out the potential cost of delivering apprenticeships.

# ABOUT HASO



NHS England (formerly Health Education England) sponsors [the Healthcare Apprenticeship Standards Online \(HASO\)](#) website. The website is hosted by Skills for Health and provides the health sector in England with a wide range of apprenticeship resources to train staff in clinical and non-clinical roles.

Apprenticeship standards are developed by employer-led Trailblazer groups in line with policy outlined by the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education. NHS England (formerly Health Education England) sponsors Skills for Health to facilitate a range of these employer groups. This standard was developed by a trailblazer group sponsored by NHS England (formerly Health Education England) and facilitated by Skills for Health.

Skills for Health is facilitating the development of several other apprenticeship standards for use in the health sector.

