# LEAD PRACTITIONER IN ADULT CARE



## Who is it for?

The Lead Practitioner in Adult Care will guide and inspire tea members to make positive differences to individuals' life when they are faced with physical, practical, social, emotional, psychological, or intellectual challenges. They will have a achieved a level of self-development to be recognized as a lead practitioner within the care team, contributing to, promoting and sustaining a values-based culture at an operational level. A Lead Practitioner has a greater depth of knowledge and expertise of particular conditions being experienced by the individuals they care for. They will have specialist skills and knowledge in their area of responsibilities which will allow them to leaf in areas such as care needs assessment, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, rehabilitation and enablement, telecare and assistive technology. They will be a coach and mentor to others and will have a role in assessing performance and quality of care delivery.

#### About the course

The apprenticeship is made up of:

A Diploma in Adult Care Level 4 (England) — it compromises of 11 Mandatory Units which include communication, health and safety, safeguarding as well as optional units chosen for the area that the learner is working in. The trainer will support the learner through the diploma which includes observations, professional discussions as well as written work. Learners will attend regular workshops if able, during this they will complete units, monitor and discuss progress. In addition, learners will be expected to allocate themselves 3 hours each week to complete work independently.

**Functional skills English and Math's** – If the learner does not have English and Math's Qualifications GCSE or equivalent at grade C & above, then to complete the course they will work with a qualified functional skills tutor to complete the qualifications required.

**End Point Assessment** - During the course, the learner will be working towards the knowledge, skills and behaviours to go to gateway. Once the Diploma and functional skills have been achieved and the employer feels that the learner is ready then End Point Assessment can take place. This involves the examination board assessor carrying out an hour-long observation followed by a professional discussion.

### The programme includes:

- Interview and induction programme
- Unlimited support and guidance from a qualified trainer via phone and email
- All programme documentation, files and materials
- One to one portfolio review session
- Regular workshops held in the workplace at pre-agreed dates and times
- Verification and certification on completion

#### What are the benefits for employers?

- Higher skilled and more motivated workforce
- Improved self confidence in carrying out work-based tasks
- Increased efficiency
- Reduction in staff turnover

#### What are the benefits for learners?

- A BTEC Level 4 Diploma
- Opportunity to do further courses
- Career progression