Level 2 Certificate in the
Principles of Prevention
and Control of
Infection in Health Care Settings

Key Info

Type of qualification: QCF
Guided Learning Hours: 111
Credit Value: 15

Course overview

Every year one in ten hospital patients develop a health care associated infection during their stay in a UK hospital. Approximately 5000 patients die as a direct result of one of these infections.

In most cases, these infections are difficult to treat and can complicate any other current or previous illnesses that a patient has, as well as causing distress for the individual and their family.

Taking this course can help tackle the outbreak of infection in hospitals and health care settings by helping you understand the causes and spread of infection and how you can help to control it.
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Who is suitable?

Infection prevention is crucial to saving lives, so this course is of high importance to any existing or new health care employees. The information contained in the course is vitally important to anyone who wishes to work in the health care sector in the future.

Learning method

This course is available:

- Online
- Paper-based
- Paper-based learning with online assessments.

The online course is available on The Skills Network’s online learning platform, EQUAL. Online learning with a difference, EQUAL features:

- Exciting and engaging content
- Interactivity – featuring videos and games to enhance learning
- Virtual tutors who offer hints, tips and guidance throughout the course.

Benefits

- Gain a nationally recognised qualification
- Study will enhance both personal skills and professional development
- The programme is delivered via distance learning, allowing learners to choose where and when they study
- On average, the course should only take between 12-16 weeks to complete
- Personal tutors are assigned to each individual learner to ensure they have the necessary support needed to be successful.

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What you will learn

This course is split into 4 manageable units:

Unit 1 Principles of the causes and spread of infection in health care settings
Unit 2 Principles of the importance of personal hygiene and health in the prevention and control of infection in health care settings
Unit 3 Principles of decontamination, cleaning and waste management in health care settings
Unit 4 Principles of infection prevention and control in a health care setting.