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# Apprenticeship Pathways: Physiotherapist & Occupational Therapist Route

| Qualification Level | Role                                     | Entry Requirements  | Duration  |
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| <b>Level 6</b>      | <b>Physiotherapist</b>                   | <p><b>Level 6 Physiotherapy Apprenticeship</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minimum entry criteria: English and Maths - GCSE grade A - C or Key Skills Level 2</li> <li>Hold 3 A levels - to include biology or human biology, or, an equivalent access qualification</li> <li>Apprentices will be required to complete a BSc (Hons) degree in physiotherapy approved by the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) and accredited by the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy</li> <li>Eligible to apply to the HCPC for registration to practise as a physiotherapist in the UK. On completion eligible to apply for full membership and chartered status with the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 years training duration</li> </ul>   |
|                     | <b>Occupational Therapist</b>            | <p><b>Level 6 Occupational Therapist Apprenticeship</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minimum entry criteria: English and Maths - GCSE grade A-C or Key Skills Level 2</li> <li>Hold 3 A levels or equivalent access qualifications</li> <li>Apprentices will be required to complete a BSc (Hons) in Occupational Therapy approved by the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) and accredited by the Royal College of Occupational Therapists (RCOT)</li> <li>Eligible to apply to the HCPC for registration as an Occupational Therapist, which is a requirement to practice under the protected title of Occupational Therapist. On completion eligible to apply for Professional Membership of The Royal College of Occupational Therapists</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 years training duration</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Level 5</b>      | <b>Healthcare Assistant Practitioner</b> | <p><b>Level 5 Assistant Practitioner Apprenticeship</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minimum entry criteria: English &amp; Maths GCSE A-C or Key skills level 2</li> <li>Training to include Assistant Practitioner apprenticeship standard, plus care certificate if not previously completed</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 years training duration</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Level 3</b>      | <b>Healthcare Assistant</b>              | <p><b>Level 3 Senior Healthcare Support Apprenticeship</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minimum entry criteria: English &amp; Maths GCSE A-C or Key skills level 1</li> <li>Training to include Senior Healthcare support worker apprenticeship standard, plus care certificate if not previously completed</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>18 month training duration</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Level 2</b>      | <b>Apprentice Healthcare Assistant</b>   | <p><b>Level 2 Healthcare Support Apprenticeship</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No entry requirements</li> <li>Achieve English &amp; Maths key skills Level 1 and take test for Level 2 English and Maths prior to completion</li> <li>Fixed term contract of 13 months. Training to include Healthcare support worker apprenticeship standard, incorporating Care Certificate completed over 13 months</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>13 months training duration</li> </ul> |

**For further information on these development routes, contact the Apprenticeships and Work-based Learning Team on ext 8220 or email [rwh-tr.wblapprenticeships@nhs.net](mailto:rwh-tr.wblapprenticeships@nhs.net)**

