NOCN Adult Social Care Skills Bootcamp

Bootcamp overview

Skills Bootcamps are part of the Government's Lifetime Skills Guarantee, designed to help adults gain skills that are in demand by employers. Funded through the Department for Education (DfE) and co-ordinated locally by the Greater London Authority (GLA), these flexible, employer-responsive courses provide learners with access to high-quality training that leads directly to a guaranteed job interview or further progression. Bootcamps are intensive, fast-paced training programmes designed to quickly develop practical, job ready skills in a specific area.

This 12-week Adult Social Care Skills Bootcamp is designed to prepare learners for employment in the adult social care sector, which is one of the fastest-growing and essential sectors. It is suitable for new entrants, returners to work, and career changers looking to build sector-specific skills and progress into roles such as care assistants, support workers, or domiciliary carers. It aligns with the NOCN Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate, a regulated qualification developed in collaboration with Skills for Care and industry experts.

The programme covers essential topics such as professional values, inclusive practice, safeguarding and practical knowledge relevant to Adult Social Care such as infection prevention and control and learning disabilities/autism.

These focused bootcamps are particularly suited to individuals seeking to upskill, retrain or meet entry requirements for further qualifications or employment in adult social care. Learners can choose to complete one or progress through multiple bootcamps to broaden their skillset.

Structure & Content:

Components	Ofqual Reference	Total qualification time	Guided learning hours
Understanding Own Role in Health and Social Care.	Y/651/1436	n/a	24
Equality, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights.	M/651/1433	n/a	24
Adult Safeguarding.	Y/651/1427	n/a	24
Infection Prevention and Control (IPC).	K/651/1422	n/a	8
An Awareness of Learning Disability and Autism.	J/651/1421	n/a	16
Employability Skills - – (3 modules) Personal Branding for Career Success, High Impact CV's, Interview excellence	n/a	n/a	8
Entry guidance There are no formal entry requirements for this bootcamp.	**Funding** MCA/GLA/Central funding available.		**Total GLH** 104

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Content Overview

This 12-week Adult Social Care Bootcamp provides learners with a comprehensive introduction to the core values, knowledge, and skills required to work effectively in adult social care settings. The programme is built around key Level 2 NOCN-accredited units, designed to support progression into employment, further training, or qualifications such as the full NOCN Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate. This ensures learners gain credible recognition for their achievements and are well prepared for progression into employment or advanced study.

The content is grouped into five thematic areas, followed by an employability and personal development component:

1. Core Knowledge and Professional Values
2. Inclusive Practice and Human Rights
3. Safeguarding and Protection
4. Health and Safety in Care Settings
5. Understanding Specific Needs: Learning Disability and Autism

In the final phase, learners consolidate their knowledge and prepare for entry into the adult social care workforce. Learners complete employability activities such as CV writing, interview preparation, teamwork, and communication. These components are an NOCN Assured Course and prepare learners for job applications, career readiness, and working effectively with others in teams.

Components of the Adult Social Care Bootcamp

- 5 x accredited units from the NOCN Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate (610/4165/8).

Employability Skills - – (3 modules) Personal Branding for Career Success, High Impact CV's, Interview excellence

Learners will complete a suite of NOCN-accredited units that may be used towards a full Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate. This bootcamp equips learners with transferable, work-ready skills highly valued by employers in the health and social care sector.

Delivery

The bootcamp spans approximately 12 weeks, combining various instructional methods:

- **Classroom Sessions**: Covering theoretical aspects of the bootcamp.
- **Practical Workshops**: Hands-on learning
- **eLearning**: The Employability Skills course is delivered through our e-learning modules.
- **Resources**: The NOCN Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate units are fully resourced including:
    - eLearning
    - Tutor Resources
    - Learner Resources
- **Self-Study**: Supplementary materials and resources for independent learning.

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Assessment

5 x units of the NOCN Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate (610/4165/8)

Learners on the Adult Social Care Skills Bootcamp will be assessed through a portfolio of evidence, which is a structured collection of work that demonstrates the learner's achievement of the learning outcomes and assessment criteria for each NOCN-accredited unit.

The portfolio enables learners to reflect on and apply their knowledge in a variety of formats, promoting deeper understanding and supporting inclusive assessment practices.

The portfolio may consist of a mix of the following types of evidence:

- Written assignments and structured workbooks
- Reflective journals or accounts of practice
- Case studies and scenario-based tasks
- Question and answer responses
- Professional discussions (recorded or written)
- Witness testimonies (from tutors or employers during practical tasks or role plays)
- Simulated tasks (e.g. safeguarding procedures or IPC demonstrations).

Employability Skills

- Internally set and internally assessed by the centre.

Progression opportunities

Completion of the Adult Social Care Skills Bootcamp provides learners with strong foundational knowledge and accredited unit achievement that supports several progression pathways, both into employment and further learning. Some opportunities could include:

Employment Opportunities

- Care Assistant/Support Worker
- Residential Care Worker
- Domiciliary care.

Apprenticeships

- Level 2 Adult Care Worker
- Level 3 Lead Adult Care Worker

Further Learning

- NOCN Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate
- NOCN Level 2 Diploma in Care
- NOCN Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care.

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Who are we?

NOCN Group is an educational charity whose core aims are to help learners reach their potential and organisations thrive. The group includes business units specialising in regulated UK and international qualifications, End Point Assessment, Access to Higher Education, assured short courses, SMART job cards, assessment services, consultancy and research.

We influence: We work closely with regulators and governments to influence policy decisions affecting the sector on behalf of the providers we serve.

We specialise: Our subject matter experts create learning content tailored to meet the future needs of the sectors we operate in.

We care: We aim to work in partnership with our customers, offering support and training to ensure an excellent learner experience.

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