

Health and Safety

According to the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) the latest survey of self-reported work-related illness (SWI) carried out in 2006/07 estimated that 205,000 people whose current or most recent job in the last year was in the health and social work sector suffered from an illness which was caused or made worse by this job. The number of days lost due to workplace injury and work-related ill health attributed to the current or most recent job in the health and social work sector was 4.9 million, equating to an average annual loss of an estimated 2 days per worker.



This half day course defines health and safety and how it should be applied in the workplace. It covers responsibilities of the employer and the employee, legislation and documentation.

This course works in conjunction with the following courses - food hygiene, first aid and moving and handling.

The course includes:

- Health and Safety policy, the Law and The Health and Safety at Work act 1974
- Employer and Employee responsibilities
- Risks and Risk Assessment, Hazards, RIDDOR and COSHH
- Medication and Infection Control
- Welfare and Rights
- Documentation
- Equipment and related practices



Training methods: Lectures, case studies and group discussion. Students will take away with them a comprehensive course handout.

Assessment is a thorough observation of practical elements (Risk assessing) and a multi-choice test paper which is marked by the Tutor and then verified by an assessor, for Quality Assurance purposes. To gain a certificate a course mark in excess of 80% is required. On successful completion of the course, students will receive a Certificate which will remain valid for one year from date of issue.

Employers will receive all necessary paperwork to provide an auditable paper trail