

## Skills and interests (health trainer)

Find out more about the particular skills and interests needed by health trainers.

As a health trainer, you'll have knowledge of, and an interest in things that help people to stay healthy and you'll enjoy working closely with people.



As a health trainer, you'll be able to work both independently and as part of a team.

Examples of some of the particular skills and qualities you'll need as a health trainer include:

- good verbal and written communication skills
- active listening skills
- empathy, respect, tact, and a non-judgemental, persuasive, reassuring approach
- positivity and a supportive and motivating approach
- respect for client confidentiality

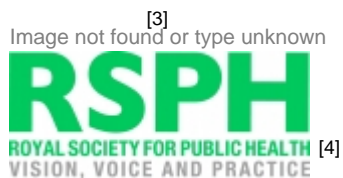
- knowledge of your own limitations, when to ask for support, and when to refer a client to other specialist services or professionals
- good time-management and planning skills
- ability to work both independently and as part of a team
- IT and keyboard skills

Health Trainers have skills and knowledge primarily at level 4 of the Skills for Health Career Framework <sup>[1]</sup>.

You might also find it helpful to take a look at our career planning section <sup>[2]</sup> to think more about what skills and qualities you have to offer.

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[http://www.skillsforhealth.org.uk/index.php?option=com\\_mtree&task=att\\_download&link\\_id=163&cf\\_i](http://www.skillsforhealth.org.uk/index.php?option=com_mtree&task=att_download&link_id=163&cf_i)

[2] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/career-planning>

[3] <http://www.local.gov.uk/>

[4] <https://www.rsph.org.uk/>