

Roles in nursing

Nursing offers you the chance to make a difference to people's lives and have a career with excellent employment prospects.

Whatever your role, being a nurse is as rewarding as it is challenging. Your training will also give you the practical and technical skills you need throughout your career. You will need to train in either adult, child, learning disability or mental health nursing before being able to take further training and specialising.

Discover your first role in nursing

Select the role(s) you're interested in below:

- **Adult nurse**
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- **Children's nurse**
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- **Learning disability nurse**
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- **Mental health nurse**
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- **Nursing associate**
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Roles you can do after qualifying

- **District nurse**

You'll provide complex care for patients and support for family members in people's homes and in residential care homes.

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- **General practice nurse**

You'll work in GP surgeries and involved in most aspects of patient care such as taking blood samples and wound management.

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- **Health visitor**

You'll work with families to give pre-school-age children the best possible start in life.

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- **Neonatal nurse**

You'll care for newborn babies who are born premature or sick and may have problems such as respiratory difficulties or nutritional needs.

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- **Prison nurse**

You'll provide similar care to GP nurses along with supporting people with mental health and substance misuse problems.

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- **School nurse**

You'll promote healthy lifestyles and prevent illness with school age students.

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- **Theatre nurse**

You'll work with patients of all ages in each phase of their operation.

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