Entry requirements, skills and interests (physician associate)

Entry requirements

You?ll usually need a bioscience-related first degree to get onto one of the training programmes available.

An undergraduate integrated Master of Physician Associate Studies at the University of Central Lancashire is also available. This course requires A-levels for entry.

You'll usually need a science-related first degree, although an undergraduate course is currently under development.

Alternatively, if you're a registered healthcare professional such as a nurse, allied health professional or midwife you can also apply to become a physician associate.

Use our?course finder [1]?to get a list of universities running the programmes.

A level 7 apprenticeship standard for physician associates has been approved for delivery. To get onto an apprenticeship, you will need to apply for an apprentice position with a health care provider. You can search for vacancies on the?:NHS Jobs website [2]?and?Find an Apprenticeship website [3]

Find out more about training to become a physician associate [4]

Find out more about the role of a physician associate [5]

Skills, qualities and interests needed

As well as academic achievement, you?ll need to be able to demonstrate experience of working with the public, an interest in health or social care, the right values to work for the?:NHS?and excellent communication skills.

If you're applying for a role either directly in the NHS or in an organisation that provides NHS services you'll be asked to show how you think the NHS values apply in your everyday work. The same will be true if you're applying for a university course funded by the NHS.

The NHS values form a key part of the NHS Constitution [6].
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[1] https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/looking-course