

DISTRICT NURSING

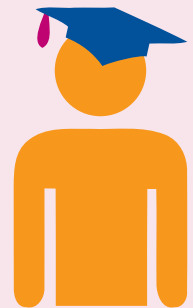


Starting salary for district nurses in the NHS is Agenda for Change band 6
£28,050 outside London ^[1]



What they say

"In my last community placement as a student, I was given my own little caseload to work with under supervision. I really loved it." Suzanna Whitwell, tissue viability nurse ^[6]



Entry requirements

To become a registered nurse, you'll need to study for a degree level qualification in nursing. For a full-time course you'll typically need a minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4-9/C or above plus two or three A-levels or equivalent qualifications at level 3. Nursing degree apprenticeships are also available. ^[2]



Training

District nurses are registered nurses who've undertaken further training at degree, post graduate certificate or masters level. Full-time training is normally one academic year ^[3]



0.6% increase in the numbers of nurses working in the community over the past ten years ^[9]



Standard working week in the NHS is
37.5 hours ^[1]



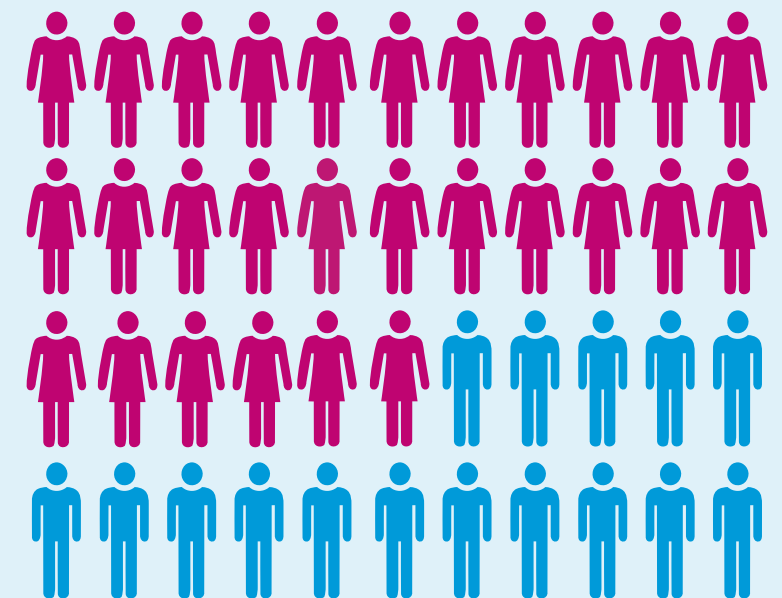
Skills and qualities needed

District nurses require resilience and the ability to be flexible and adaptable whilst working in people's homes, surgeries, and other community settings ^[8]



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Current district nursing vacancies in the NHS ^[4]



There are **6,527** district nurses in the NHS ^[7]

Facts and figures taken from; ^[1] www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/AfC ^[2] www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/studying-nursing ^[3] www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/explore-roles/nursing/district-nurse ^[4] www.jobs.nhs.uk (30/07/18) ^[6] www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/explore-roles/nursing/district-nurse/real-life-story-suzanne-whitwell ^[7] www.hscic.gov.uk/catalogue/PUB16973/nhs-staf-2011-2014-over-hee-hc-tab.xls ^[8] www.hee.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/documents/Interactive%20version%20of%20the%20framework_1.pdf ^[9] www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/5yfv-web.pdf