

Healthcare Career Guide



Why work in Healthcare?

Healthcare is a rewarding field full of exciting opportunities for people of all education levels and abilities and demand for Healthcare professionals is high throughout the world, and so there are many reasons to follow such a career path.

Healthcare positions often also have excellent opportunities to develop in the role. As well as sideways movement to other departments and specialisms there are plenty of possibilities for moving up the career ladder.

Roles include:

- Nurse
- Registered nurse in various specialisms
- Clinical Manager
- Ward Manager
- Care Home Manager
- Director of Nursing
- Troubleshoot Manager
- Team Manager

Progression Example:

Unit Manager
Ward Manager
Deputy Manager
Director of Nursing



Average starting salary

£30,000*



Average top salary

£75,000*

Healthcare & nursing ranked the UK's best performing sector in terms of annual salary growth**

Is Healthcare right for me?

Healthcare isn't right for everyone. Although the work can be highly rewarding, it can also be physically and mentally exhausting. On top of the required qualification for specific roles, traits that make a great healthcare professional include:

- Empathy
- Excellent communication skills
- Ability to deal with pressure
- Flexibility and good time management

What qualifications do I need?

Because of the strong scientific basis of many of the job functions in the health sector, the most common entry pattern is through a relevant vocational degree (or Nursing diploma).

If you are a graduate in a non-vocational subject, there are possible routes for you to retrain in the medical and scientific professions, but your choice will be considerably wider if you have a scientific degree background.

What makes a good Healthcare CV?

- Showing experience you have that demonstrates your commitment and understanding of the work
- Identifying the key attributes that the employer is looking for and relating to your experiences
- Listing any relevant education and qualifications such as your registered nurse degree

*Based on data collected by Yolk Recruitment in 2017

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