

# Social Services and Healthcare (SCQF Level 6)

SCQF Level 6 (24 Credit Points)

## Why Study a Foundation Apprenticeship?

Studying for a Foundation Apprenticeship gives you the chance to combine work based qualifications such as Scottish Vocational Qualifications (SVQs) or National Certificate (NC) with practical work experience in industry.

## Who Can Apply?

The Foundation Apprenticeship (FA) in Social Services and Healthcare is for pupils staying on at school. You can choose an FA as one of your subjects in S5 or S6.

## Entry Requirements

These vary depending on whether you start the Foundation Apprenticeship in S5 or S6. It could range from some subjects at National 5 to 1 or 2 Highers. Check with your school for details.

You will require a satisfactory PVG (Protecting Vulnerable Groups) check to show that you are suitable for this type of work.

## Course Content

National Progression Award in Social Services and Healthcare

- Social Services in Scotland
- Safeguarding People
- Communication in Care Relationships
- Safe Practice and Wellbeing in Social Services
- Human Development and Social Influences.

SVQ in Social Services and Healthcare (as part of your work placement)

- Communicate effectively
- Support health and safety
- Develop your own knowledge and practice
- Support the safeguarding of individuals.

## Qualifications Gained

- National Progression Award (NPA) in Social Sciences and Healthcare at SCQF Level 6
- core units of a Scottish Vocational Qualification (SVQ) in Social Services and Healthcare at SCQF Level 6.

## Duration

1 - 2 years

## What can I go on to next?

- You can gain entry to the Modern Apprenticeship in Social Services and Healthcare at SCQF Level 7.
- You can continue your studies at college or university to work towards an HNC/D or a degree.
- You could go straight into a job in the healthcare sector as a support worker.

## How to Apply

To apply for a Foundation Apprenticeship you should complete an application form through your school. You may be required to attend an interview and complete a relevant aptitude test.

Have a look at the [apprenticeships.scot](https://apprenticeships.scot) website to see what your school offers and to enquire.

## Related Career Areas

- Social, Caring and Advisory Services