

Adult nurse

**South West
Yorkshire Partnership**
NHS Foundation Trust

What we do

Adult nursing is a rewarding career where you have a real chance to make a difference to people's lives. It offers a high degree of flexibility and a career with excellent employment opportunities. From the start of your training and into your first job you'll learn how to observe patients and assess their needs. You'll learn to plan and deliver the most appropriate care for them and evaluate the results. Building a trusting relationship with each patient is essential. Your aim is to improve your patients' quality of life, whatever their situation. Your nursing career will mean working with adults of all ages, who may suffer from one or more long or short-term physical health conditions. You'll be part of a multidisciplinary team with other professionals such as occupational therapists, pharmacists, social workers and doctors. You'll also work closely with patients' families and carers. Once you have qualified as an adult nurse, you could specialise in a certain field such as emergency care, community nursing or intensive care. You may want to work in public health or move into teaching, research or advanced practice.

Where we work



Hospitals, clinics, GP surgeries, community settings such as patient's homes, care homes and health centres, occupational health, military facilities, prisons, and community health centres.

What we earn

Full time
**£30,000-
£60,500**

£29,970 (band 5) to £60,504 (band 8a) and can earn more in senior, specialist, operational management and leadership, and director roles.

Adult nurses are great at:



Strong communication skills, compassion and empathy



Listening and communicating with people



Problem solving and being adaptable, handling diverse patient needs



Motivating and encouraging people



Clinical judgement, critical thinking, making informed decisions



Working effectively in fast-paced environments



Attention to detail, meticulous and methodical in monitoring and documenting health status



Clinical skills – from physical examination and administering treatments to operating medical equipment

How to get started:

- The main route is through a degree course at university. Entry requirements for these courses can vary depending on where and how you'd like to study so it's important to check with universities. If taking the university route, typically you'll need a minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, possibly in English and a science subject, or equivalent qualifications such as functional skills level 2 in maths and English. You'll also usually need two A levels or equivalent level 3 qualifications, such as a T level or BTEC for an undergraduate degree. If you already have a degree, you might be able to study for a postgraduate qualification.
- Nursing degree apprenticeships and nursing associate apprenticeships are also available and numbers are expected to grow. Student nursing associate places are usually advertised on NHS Jobs but some places are also available through direct application to universities.

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