

# CAREERS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

NURSING



# ABOUT NURSING:

Nurses play a key role in keeping people healthy. They may assess patients who are ill or injured and help doctors treat them. Or they may provide information about nutrition and exercise. Nurses combine a passion for medicine and caring for others in their jobs every day.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4IM7vJU8RWw>

## Core Tasks:

- Perform physical exams
- Collect patient information
- Provide medical treatments e.g., bandaging wounds
- Administer medication
- Monitor results of treatments
- Keep patients informed
- Maintain record and charts

# LABOUR MARKET

- Employment of registered nurses is projected to grow 8% from 2020-2030.
- About 194,500 opening for registered nurses are projected each year, over average, over the decade.

# WORKING LOCATION, HOURS AND PAY:



## Where:

Hospitals, urgent care centers and Clinics



## Working Hours:

37-40 hours a week, including evenings and weekends.



## Pay:

Starting:  
£22,000- £30,000

Experience:  
£30, 000- £48, 000

# A DAY IN THE LIFE

Time	Activities/Tasks
7:30-8:00am	Arrive at work and review reports
8:00- 8:30am	Assess patients from head to toe (take blood, determine alertness, check heart and lungs and problems specific to their condition).
8:30-9:30am	Do rounds (visit each patients) along with the doctor/healthcare professional.
9:30-10:00am	Coffee Break
10:00-12:00pm	Treatments (change dressings, send patients for tests).
1:00-2:00pm	Lunch

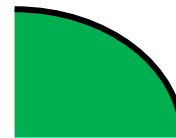
Time	Activities/Tasks
2:00-3:00pm	Code blue (patient is not breathing or heart stopped). Hook patient up to monitor and assess heart and lung status/CPR/medication
3:00-4:00pm	Admit a new patient, do a head-toe assessment.
4:00-5:00pm	Review day with doctor and talk about specific patient care.
5:00-6:00pm	Coffee Break
6:00-7:00pm	Dinner (if no emergencies arise)
7:00-7:30pm	Treat patients
7:30-7:45pm	Hand over patient reports to nurse next on shift. Go home.

# EDUCATION & TRAINING

**GCSEs**  
5 GCSEs including English  
& Science



**A-Levels**  
2 or 3 A-Levels  
(usually in Science)  
**B-TEC Vocational Course**  
Level 3 Nursing/Level 3  
Health & Social Care  
**T-Levels**  
Adult Nursing Level 3



**University**  
Degree in Nursing  
(Adult Nursing, Medical Nursing, Nursing)  
Nursing Placements will be included  
within the degree.

# WHAT CAN I DO NOW?

# NHS VIRTUAL EXPERIENCE: 6TH FEBRUARY

## WHAT IS IT?

- 2-Day virtual experience following two patients from their initial presentation to recovery.
- Students will be observe the healthcare professionals as they interact with patients and each other.
- Opportunities to ask questions and gain knowledge.

## WHAT WILL I RECEIVE?

A certificate as evidence you have participated which can be used for college and University Applications.

## WHAT IS THE COST?

£10 a day.

<https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/>

# LINKS: COLLEGES

**Bolton College:**

<https://www.boltoncollege.ac.uk/courses/yp-health-social/>

**Wigan & Leigh College:**

<https://www.wigan-leigh.ac.uk/16-18-full-time-courses/year-11-applicants/health-social-care-nursing>

**Priestley College:**

<https://www.priestley.ac.uk/course/health-social-care/cambridge-technical-social-care/>

**Winstanley College:**

<https://www.winstanley.ac.uk/86/subjects/subject/31/health-studies>



# LINKS: VIDEOS

A Day in the Life (Channel 5)-

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0zM7d0pKTlo>

Types of Nursing: [https://youtube.com/watch?v=yk-nS\\_sys8l](https://youtube.com/watch?v=yk-nS_sys8l)

Wigan & Leigh Health & Social Care: <https://youtu.be/YKsj2V5hwaU>