

End-Point Assessment Specification

Healthcare Science Assistant

Level 2



1 *What the* ROLE ENTAILS

This occupation is found in hospitals, general practice, and other healthcare settings. Employers range from large organisations like the NHS to private practices.

Healthcare Science Assistants work in Life Sciences, Physiological Sciences, Physical Sciences, Clinical Engineering, and Clinical Bioinformatics, in environments such as outpatient departments, laboratories, and engineering workshops. They are part of a wider team contributing to safe patient care across all pathways, from conception to end of life.

Their main role is to carry out routine technical and scientific procedures in clinical settings, following standard operating procedures to prepare equipment and environments for healthcare science tasks. They may also manage stock of equipment and consumables.

In daily work, they interact with healthcare science professionals, the wider healthcare team, patients, and the public, and usually report to a Healthcare Science Associate or professional.

2 *On-programme* ASSESSMENT

Before entering Gateway, the apprentice must complete the following on-programme assessment requirements:

- Complete the required training in the knowledge, skills and behaviours of the standard
- English and maths in line with funding rules
- Compile a portfolio of evidence
- L2 Diploma in Healthcare Science

3 *Gateway* REQUIREMENTS

The employer, independent training provider (ITP) and apprentice make the decision to take the apprentice through Gateway.

- English and maths in line with funding rules
- Achieved L2 Diploma
- Portfolio of evidence



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4 End Point ASSESSMENT

Observation of practice with questions

The observation must take place in the apprentice's normal place of work carrying out day to day duties. After the observation, there will be a questioning session for clarifications.

Professional discussion with a portfolio of evidence

This is a two-way discussion between the IEPA and the apprentice which will draw questions and amplifications from the knowledge, skills and behaviours mapped to the portfolio.

Why choose Steadfast EPA?

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To review the standard and assessment plan, follow the link below.

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5 Completion & CERTIFICATION

We will activate certification once the apprentice has successfully completed all EPAs, and the IEPA has verified this. Working with the apprenticeship certificate issuing authority, we will ensure the apprentice receives their certificate.



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