

# Certificate in the Principles of Prevention & Control of Infection in Health Care Settings



Course Level: Level 2

Campus: Newcastle

Subject Type: Care, Education, Nursing & Midwifery

## Course Overview:

Gain essential knowledge and skills for maintaining a safe and hygienic environment. Explore key principles of infection prevention and control, including understanding infectious agents, modes of transmission and effective hygiene practices. Learn about the importance of personal protective equipment (PPE), hand hygiene and environmental cleaning protocols in healthcare settings. Develop strategies for preventing the spread of infections and protecting the health and safety of patients, staff and visitors.

## What's Covered:

There are 4 units and these cover the following topics:

- principles of the causes and spread of infection in health care settings,
- the importance of personal hygiene and health in the prevention and control of infection in health care settings, principles of decontamination,
- cleaning and waste management in health care settings
- the principles of infection prevention and control in a health care setting.

## Entry Requirements:

Be working or volunteering in a health and social care environment or other relevant working environment; have a basic level of English in order to complete the written assessments.

## Assessment Information:

This is an online learning course and will require the learner to commit to self study hours in order to complete the assessments.

Each learner will be assessed via interactive online resources and end of unit assessment questions. Assessments must be completed in the agreed timescale and submitted to the assessor who will then provide feedback, advice and guidance, and, additional support where needed.

## Fees and Financial Support:

A range of financial support may be available for adult students to help towards the cost of your fees, equipment, childcare and/or other expenses while studying, depending on your personal circumstances and the course you are studying. [For more details visit nscg.ac.uk/finance](https://www.nscg.ac.uk/finance)

## Progression:

There are further Level 2 certificates that you may progress to, which include: mental health problems, dementia care, common health conditions, care planning, autism, learning disabilities, equality and diversity, nutrition, safeguarding. Also you may progress to a Level 2 or 3 Diploma in Adult Health and Social Care or progress on to an apprenticeship within the sector.

## How do I find out more?

For more information, please get in touch by calling Susan Goodwin, Health and Social Care Assessor on 01782 254121 or email [susan.goodwin@nscg.ac.uk](mailto:susan.goodwin@nscg.ac.uk)