

“ Becoming an apprentice with North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare is something I am very happy about, I am part of a well regarded organisation, developing skills I never thought I would. Since I started my confidence has grown and I am happy I am working towards the qualifications I want in a job I like.”

**Georgia Ellis, Finance Apprentice**

**North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust**

If you're interested in doing an apprenticeship with us sign up for NHS job alerts at:

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To find out more about apprenticeships visit:

<https://www.gov.uk/apprenticeships-guide>

# Apprenticeships in North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust

Information on Apprenticeships written for prospective Apprentices by Apprentices

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## North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare

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## What you need to know about being an apprentice

- Earn and Learn! An advantage of being on an apprenticeship is that you will be earning a wage whilst receiving and working towards a highly recognised qualification
- There are a wide variety of qualifications you can work towards during your apprenticeship such as Business Administration, Pharmacy, and Accountancy, - these are recognised by companies everywhere
- You will develop real life skills in the work place., this is something you may not have been able to develop whilst studying in a college. By the time you finish your apprenticeship, your confidence will have grown and you will be ready to pursue your career
- There are over 400 types of apprenticeships, - a wide variety for you to choose from
- No long days spent revising! Most of your qualification is completed through coursework or just you doing your day to day activities! There are very few tests or exams
- Apprenticeships offer you the chance to learn at your own pace with the support of your mentor
- You will have the opportunity to apply for roles while working with your employer



## Why become an apprentice in the NHS

- Working for the NHS brings a great sense of pride as it is one of the UKs largest organisations and is highly regarded
- The NHS is one of the top five largest organisations in the world, employing over 1.3 million people
- It is estimated the NHS helps approximately 64.6 million people a year, so your work supports the care of others

## Why work with North Staffs Combined Healthcare NHS Trust

- As a NHS trust there is a great drive and passion to support service users—its great to know you're helping others with the work you do
- North Staffs Combined Health have a CQC rating 'Good' this is a great accomplishment that staff are proud to have worked hard for
- For 17 Years the trust has consecutively achieved a surplus financial position and exceeds the legal requirement to break-even

### Quick Facts-

- The apprentice wage is currently £3.40 per hour, rising to £3.50 in April 2017
- You still get student benefits e.g. student discounts

