Student Work Placements for Technical Qualifications

L2 Certificate in Health, Care and Childcare (360) 3625-20  
L3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Health & Care (540) 3625-30  
L3 Advanced Technical Extended Diploma in Health & Care (1080) 3625-31

There should be a range of work placements in your locality which would be suitable for students undertaking either the L2 or L3 Technical qualifications.

Student ‘Work Placement Practice’ can include:

- Work experience placements set up, managed and supervised by the College/training provider – these work placements must feed into the qualification’s summative synoptic assessment requirements.
- Volunteering work in Health Care or Childcare practice (provided that the expectations of the employer is that the student follows the same code of conduct as their employees).
- Paid employment in health, care and/or childcare settings

Please see the qualification handbooks for further details.
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Students are required to complete 120-150 work placement hours by the end of their qualification. Training providers are reminded however that the summative assessment will cover all ‘care’ sector areas so allowing the students to experience a range of care /childcare sectors through their work practice is recommended where possible.

Work placements can include:

- Nurseries
- Registered childminder settings/Childminder Agencies
- Pre schools
- Primary schools – classroom based/other earning environments, breakfast/after school clubs
- Children and family centres
- Any of the health and/or adult care placements areas listed for the L3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Health & Care / L3 Advanced Technical Extended Diploma in Health & Care

Centres must complete a record of student’s placements which confirms a minimum of 120-150 work placement hours that have been completed. The process/format of recording work placement hours is left to the college to devise/manage. Confirmation of hours for each student should be submitted as part of the evidence for confirming employer involvement/engagement for the qualification.
Students on either of the above qualifications are required to complete a min 200-370 work placement hours per year. Student work placements must be in health and/or adult/children's social care (8-18yrs) settings and NOT in Early Years (0-7yrs) or classroom based educational settings.

Centres must complete a record of student’s placements which confirms a minimum of 200 – 370 work placement hours that have been completed. The process/format of recording work placement hours is left to the centre to devise/manage, however confirmation of hours for each student should be submitted as part of the evidence for confirming in part the employer involvement/engagement requirement for the qualifications.

**Examples of suitable work practice placements for the L3 Technicals in Health & Care could include:**

- Residential Care homes
- Nursing Homes
- Day care centres  for the elderly, adults with learning and physical difficulties
- Special schools – working with PMLD/high health/care needs
- Hospitals - clinical/allied clinical healthcare environments
- Mental Health outreach teams
- Hospice care
- Adult rehabilitation centres
- Residential/care provision for young people
- Domiciliary care services
- Residential/day centre provision for the homeless
- Supported living environments for young people
- Medical centres/clinical environments
- Support services for adults with both physical & learning disabilities including life skills & employment skills.
- Advice and guidance services- based around mental health, homelessness, youth services & addiction
- HIV/AIDS community support centres

Other work practice placements can be considered as long as they are providing the student with credible and relevant health and/or social care experience which meets the qualification and related summative assessment requirements.