

Prevention and Control of Infection in Health Care Settings

This FREE on-line course provides all health workers with fundamental knowledge of how to control the cause and spread of infection in hospitals and other settings reliant on superior hygiene standards.

Develop vitally important skills to prepare you for a role in the sector

Understand the concepts of decontamination and waste management – and the consequences of not carrying out these processes

Learn about infection prevention and control in a range of healthcare settings and scenarios to help you contextualise your learning

Gain industry-relevant knowledge and give your CV a boost

Each unit contains an assessment to demonstrate your knowledge of each subject area. Once you successfully complete all units you will achieve a Level 2 Certificate in the Principles of the Prevention and Control of Infection in Health Care Settings.

Unit 1: The causes and spread of infection

How infection is caused

How infection can spread

The 'chain of infection'

The importance of recognising Healthcare Associated Infections (HCAI).

Unit 2: Principles of personal hygiene and health

Personal hygiene at work

Handwashing

Personal protective equipment.

Unit 3: Decontamination, cleaning and waste management

Maintaining a clean environment

Roles and responsibilities in decontamination

The decontamination process

The sterilisation process

Handling laundry

Effective waste management

Sharps management.

Unit 4: Principles of infection prevention and control

The purpose of infection control

Regulations, policy and practice

Roles and responsibilities in infection control
Risk assessments
Principles of infection control procedures.

Course duration

13 weeks

Recommended study

10 hours per week

Study requirements

No existing qualification required

What computer software will I need?

To study online with vision2learn you will require the following:

An Internet enabled PC running Microsoft Windows operating system

A Web browser (JavaScript and Cookie enabled)

An active email account

Microsoft Word or a similar word processing software program. (You may need additional software programs for IT courses – please contact us for more information.)

Adobe Reader

Adobe Flash Player (version 9.0 or higher)

Supported web browsers

We currently support the following web browsers.

Internet Explorer 11

Microsoft Edge *

Google Chrome *

Mozilla Firefox *

* Microsoft Edge, Firefox and Chrome follow a continuous release policy. We will support the last 2 major versions of each of these browsers.

Please ensure that your browser has JavaScript and Cookies enabled as this will be required in order to access our e-learning platform and courses. If you are still unsure, you can visit whatismybrowser.com to check your system meets with our minimum requirements.

Entry Requirements

The course is aimed at those 19 years (as at 31st August 2020) and over.

Once we receive your application we will send you an email link to complete your registration.

When applying for one of our free courses you will be asked to supply a copy of your ID, which can be either a passport, driving licence, birth certificate or national identity card. If you were born outside the EU, you must have proof of residency status and you will need to provide a copy for our records. If you have declared you are in receipt of benefits you will also need to provide us with evidence of this.

Please note whilst there is no limit to the number of free courses you can complete, you can only study one free course at a time.

In some instances fully funded applications are subject to postcode eligibility.

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