

SECTOR FOCUS:

**National
Careers
Service**

Helping you take
the next step

Health and Social Care in Lancashire



Lancashire
Enterprise Partnership

Like the rest of the UK, Lancashire has an ageing population (with the number of people over 65 set to rise by 23% in a decade) and more people with complex care needs living longer. Also, Lancashire's residents are generally less healthy than the national average.

This means that demand for health and care services is set to continue rising – creating a range of employment opportunities for young people.

What jobs are available?

Typical jobs and starting annual salaries in the sector include:



DENTIST

£38,000



CARE ASSISTANT

£15,000



BIOMEDICAL SCIENTIST

£21,000



DISTRICT NURSE

£26,000



GP - DOCTOR

£54,000



NURSERY WORKER

£12,000

Fast facts

In Lancashire, the Health and Social Care sector is:



3,900
businesses



290
of these businesses
employ 50 - 249 people



98,000
employees



16%
of Lancashire's workforce

LANCASHIRE'S LARGEST
EMPLOYMENT SECTOR

There are concentrations
of jobs in:

Preston

15,500

Blackburn with Darwen

12,800

Blackpool

11,300



What companies are based in Lancashire?

The NHS is the largest health and social care employer in the county with other large employers including Lancashire County Council, Blackburn with Darwen Council and Blackpool Council.

Private sector providers operating across the county include BUPA, Anchor, Barchester and multiple smaller businesses, including care homes.

How do I get into the sector?

You can get into health and social care via a number of routes, including:

- [➤ COLLEGES](#)
- [➤ UNIVERSITIES](#)
- [➤ TRAINING PROVIDERS](#)
- [➤ APPRENTICESHIPS AND TRAINEESHIPS](#)
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How do I find out more?

For more information, go to:

- [NATIONAL CAREERS SERVICE](#)
[➤ https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk](https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk)
- [LANCASHIRE SKILLS & EMPLOYMENT HUB](#)
[➤ www.lancashireskillshub.co.uk](http://www.lancashireskillshub.co.uk)
- [SKILLS FOR CARE](#)
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