

## Early Years Educator Level 3 (Apprenticeship Level)

### Overview

Early Years Educators work with and care for children from birth to 5 years. They play a massive role in supporting children to have the best start to their education. Research shows disadvantaged children are four months behind at age 5, 10 months behind by the age of 11, and 19 months behind when they reach 16. As an Early Years specialist, you will personally help to close the gap and increase the life chances of the children you work with.

On successful completion of your apprenticeship, you will be awarded the Level 3 Early Years Educator Apprenticeship, the NCFE Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (EYE), and the Level 3 Award in Paediatric First Aid OR Level 3 Award Emergency Paediatric First Aid. The early years educator level 3 standard meets the early years educator (EYE) criteria. Apprentices will achieve an EYE qualification which has been approved to count towards the EYFS level 3 child: staff ratios.

### Objectives

The programme:

- supports and promotes children's early education and development
- helps to plan and provide effective care, teaching and learning to enable children to progress and prepares them for school
- makes accurate and productive use of assessment
- develops effective and informed practice

Each apprentice must undergo an independent end-point assessment to determine the outcome of their apprenticeship. The assessments will evaluate the knowledge, skills and behaviours gained during their programme. The methods in which this apprenticeship is assessed are:

- knowledge test
- professional discussion supported with portfolio evidence

| Facilitators | Apprenticeship through Best Practice Network  |
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| Audience     | Aimed at anyone working with 0-5 but also suitable for those working with Reception children  |
| Commitment   | 15-18 months. Apprentices will be assigned a dedicated tutor. The tutor will visit monthly in the workplace, as well as being on hand to support throughout the duration of the apprenticeship programme. The frequency of these sessions may be more, depending on the needs of the apprentice |
| Date         | On demand courses   |
| Cost         | Free to CAT schools through Apprenticeship Levy   |
| Venue        | In own venue  |