



# Working in the NHS

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# Community job search Investigate this community scene. How many different jobs can you think of?

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# Community job search

### Which jobs did you come up with?







Workplace	Which jobs?
Bank	Finance manager: deals with money matters
Restaurant	Chef: cooks tasty food
Launderette	Laundry assistant: sorts and cleans washing
Dentist	Dentist, dental nurse, dental technician: check and look after your teeth
GP	Doctor, practice nurse, receptionist: usually the first people you go to when you feel unwell







Workplace	Which jobs?
Local chemist	Pharmacist: prepares medicine
Optician	Optometrist: looks after your eyes
School	Teacher: teaches you School nurse: looks after your wellbeing Caretaker: looks after the school building Catering staff: prepare and serve school meals







Workplace	Which jobs?
Ambulance	Paramedic: transports people to hospital
Gym	Physiotherapist: helps with bending and movement after injury
Green spaces	Gardener: makes sure green spaces are kept neat and tidy
Care home for elderly	Healthcare assistant: helps the elderly with their immediate needs such as washing, dressing and hygiene







Workplace	Which jobs?
Supermarket	Managers: run areas of the store Human resources professional: trains staff and finds new people Baker and cook: prepare food in the store bakery and restaurant Pharmacist: runs the supermarket pharmacy Security staff: keep a watchful eye over the store







### Workplace Which jobs?

Offices of a<br/>large<br/>companyIT staff: sets up and looks after the office<br/>computer systemPersonal assistant: helps the managers<br/>organise their day<br/>Facilities manager: helps look after the building

and ensures smooth running of things like the heating and lighting

Accountant: looks after the company's money







# **Community job search**

- Which of these jobs do you think you can do for the NHS?
- Where do you think you work if you have a job working for the NHS?







### You can do all of these jobs for the NHS!

#### If you work for the NHS, you can work in:

A hospital In a surgery or clinic In the community In an ambulance In an office In a laboratory In a patient's own home

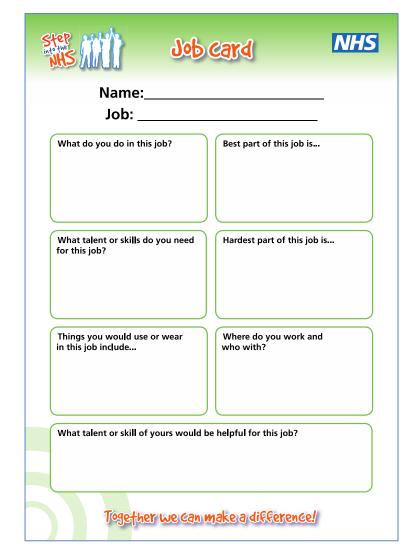
### There are more than 350 jobs in the NHS!





# **Homework activity**

- What jobs do your family or friends do in the community?
  - Complete a job card for someone you know
  - Do they work for the NHS?
  - If not, could they do their job for the NHS?









# In the hot seat

Let's talk to some people from the community and the NHS. Interviews are a good way of finding out what a job is really like.

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# **Example questions**

- What do you do?
- Why did you choose this job?
- What do you do in a normal day?
- What's the best bit about your job?
- Is there anything that has surprised you?
- What do you need to be good at to do the job?
- What did you need to learn?
- Did you have to overcome any barriers? If so, how did you do this?
- What would you say to someone considering this job?







# Sophie's story

# Who does Sophie meet from the NHS and how do they help her?

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# Sophie's story

### What's the problem?

Sophie loves playing football. A bad tackle turns her leg into a balloon. It really hurts! Her mum calls for an ambulance and the **paramedic** takes a look. She then takes Sophie to A&E.







- How many different people working in the NHS help Sophie?
- As you hear Sophie's story, are there any jobs that sound interesting to you?



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### Accident and emergency (A&E) department



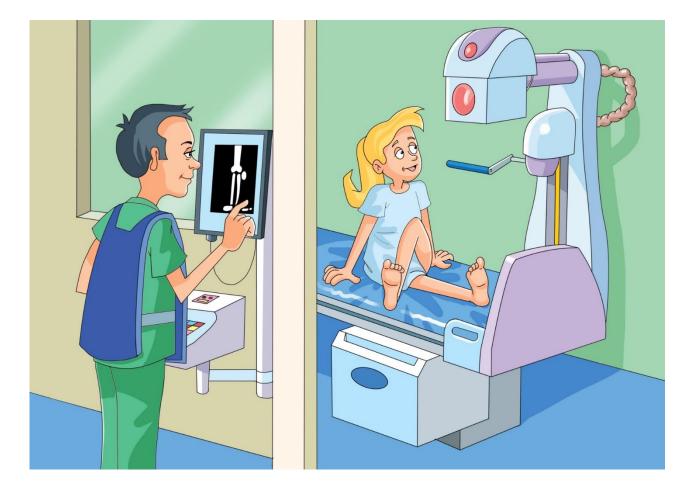
Sophie arrives at A&E and a helpful **porter** brings her in from the ambulance. The **receptionist** smiles and registers her. Then a **triage nurse** assesses her leg and asks how she's feeling – "A little dizzy to be honest."

Sophie sees an A&E doctor who thinks it's broken. No wonder it's painful!





#### Trip to the x-ray department and back



She needs an x-ray. The **porter** wheels her to the **diagnostic radiographer**.

It's confirmed – Sophie's leg is broken!

A children's nurse

covers her wound with a dressing. She needs to stay in hospital overnight. The **porter** is back and takes her to the ward.





### On the ward



The bed looks nothing like the messy one she left in her bedroom this morning! The **housekeeper** has ensured it is perfectly made using the clean sheets the **laundry assistant** dropped off earlier.

The healthcare assistant makes Sophie comfortable and the children's nurse gives her some medicine for the pain.

The food arrives and "It's better than dad's cooking," thinks Sophie, and he's the best cook in their house! The **chef** must be good because she carries on eating even after hearing she needs an operation.







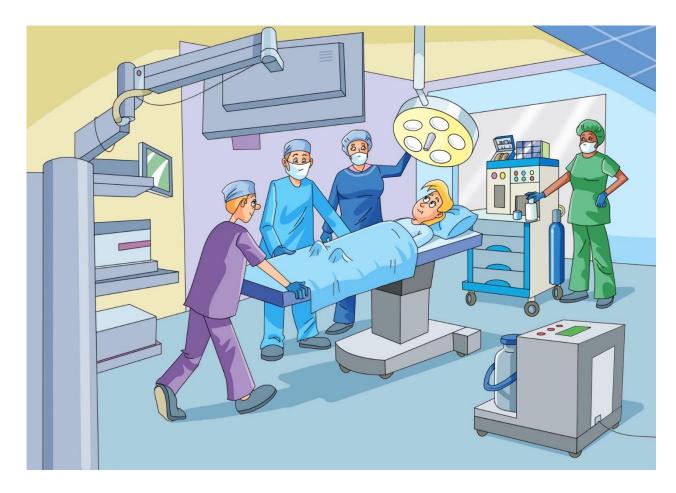


A phlebotomist comes to take some blood. It's really not *that* bad!

The blood is then tested by a **biomedical scientist** to check she is okay to have the operation.







A few hours later, a team of people greet her in the operating theatre. Sophie can't believe they are all there for her! There's a surgeon, anaesthetist, theatre nurse and operating department practitioner. They all do different things.

After the operation, an orthopaedic practitioner puts a plaster cast on her leg. That will keep everything in place while it heals. Sophie can't wait for friends to decorate it.





#### **Recovery**



When the **surgeon** is happy for Sophie to leave, the **hospital pharmacist** prepares her medicine. Then the **patient transport services** drive her home.

She has to go back two weeks later for a check-up. Then a few weeks after that a **physiotherapist** suggests some exercises to make her leg strong again.







### **Result!**

# Sophie recovers well and gets picked for the football team at school!

There are a lot of people she wants to thank at the NHS!

### Explore over 350 jobs in the NHS. What would you be?







# **Ajay's story** Who does Ajay meet from the NHS and how do they help him?

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# Ajay's story

### What's the problem?

Ajay hates too much fussing. He just likes to get on with things. His wife notices he's put on a bit of weight. Then he starts to get dizzy spells and some double vision. She decides to make an appointment with his **GP** at their local surgery.







# Ajay's story

- How many different people from the NHS, do you think, help Ajay?
- As you listen to his story, mark the jobs that you want to find out more about or rank the cards.









### At the GP surgery

The **practice nurse** takes some blood. Ajay's wife is squeamish about needles and looks away!

#### The **receptionist**

completes all the paperwork and Ajay's blood is sent off to the laboratory.







#### In the laboratory

A **biomedical scientist** receives Ajay's blood. High-tech medical equipment is used to test it.

What do the tests reveal?







Health records department

The results come back from the laboratory and the **health records staff** update Ajay's information.

He has Type 2 diabetes. They let Ajay's GP know.







# The community pharmacist

Ajay goes back to his **GP** again who tells him that he has Type 2 diabetes.

He's given a prescription for new medication which he picks up from the **community pharmacist**.







### Dietitian

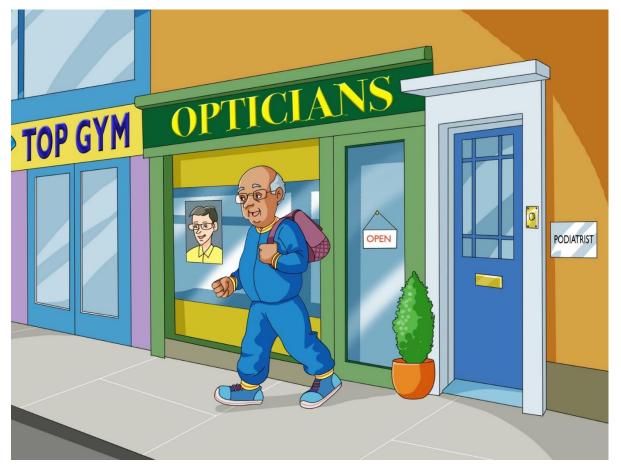
The **GP** also arranges for Ajay to see a **dietitian**.

The dietitian devises an eating plan for Ajay. Sensible choices will help improve his wellbeing.





#### Other health professionals get involved



The **GP** continues to monitor Ajay's progress and develops a health plan to control his diabetes.

- An **orthoptist** treats his double vision.
- A podiatrist checks his legs and feet.
- A health trainer sets him goals for regular exercise and eating healthily.





### **Result!**

After all that fussing, Ajay feels better than he has in a long time. His wife thinks he looks good too - especially now that he's lost those extra pounds.

There are a lot of people he wants to thank at the NHS!

### Explore more than 350 jobs in the NHS. What would you be?







# Job cards

# Which jobs would you like to find out more about?

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### Job cards

- Explore the job cards.
- Choose which job or jobs you want to investigate further.
- Fill in a blank job card with as much information as you can.







# Hire me!

### The NHS needs you. Apply for a job of your choice.

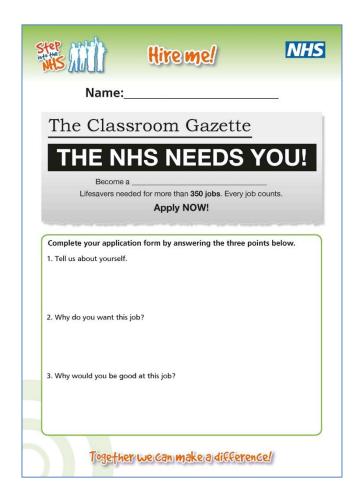
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# Hire me!

- Choose a job to apply for:
  - Tell them about you: Your hobbies, interests and favourite things
  - 2. Why you want the job:Think about the things that interest you about it
  - 3. Why you would be good at the job:

Highlight your talents or skills that would be helpful for the job









# What did you learn?

### Learning outcomes

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