

# Healthcare Science Career of the Week



## Occupational Health Nurse

Area of HCS: Occupational Health Teams

Pay Scale: £22k - £41k

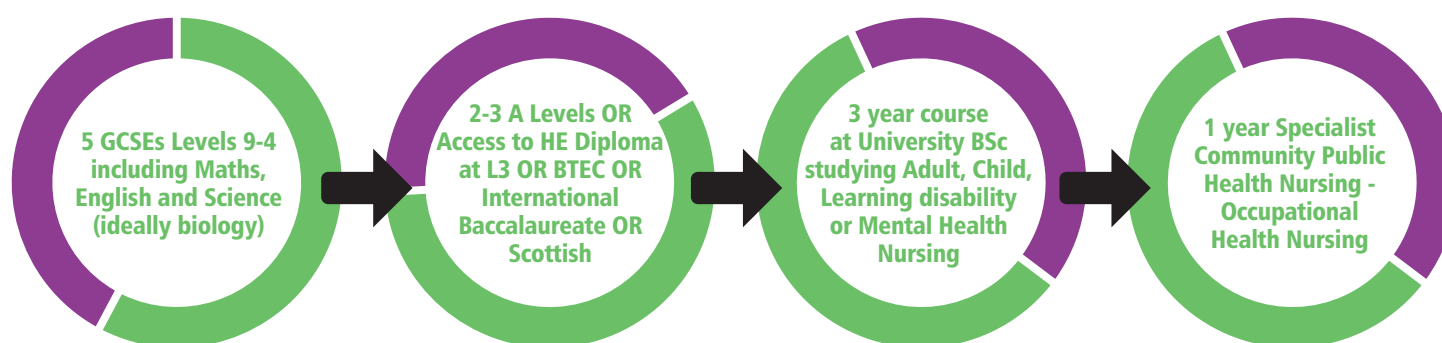
### AMAZING FACT

- 27.3 million working days are lost each year in the UK due to a work-related illness or injury! That's an eye-wateringly large cost of £14 billion per year, proper occupational health can significantly reduce this number.

You'll be the leader of public health and care in the workplace, specialising in the care and wellbeing of people around you in your organisation. Although nurses often work for the NHS, as an occupational health nurse you'll have the opportunity to work in the private sector as part of an organisation such as a local authority (your local council, which will give you the opportunity to go into schools), hospital, airline or retail chain.

You will often be the first port-of-call for an employee, and you'll work directly with employers to identify and prevent health related problems, promote healthy living, first aid management and health screening. You might also be asked to provide services such as vaccinations (most commonly the flu jab each winter) and taking blood samples. You'll work closely with an employee's line manager, as well as the human resources department to promote all round good health at work.

### What to do to get into this career...



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#### Other specialist nursing roles:

- GP Nurse
- Neonatal Nurse
- Prison Nurse
- Theatre Nurse
- District Nurse

#### SIMILAR CAREERS:

- Occupational Health Advisor
- Public Health Academic
- Public Health Manager
- School Nurse
- Health Visitor