

Early Years Educators, and other job roles such as nursery nurse and childminders, are highly trained professionals who play a key role in ensuring that young children learn and develop well and are kept healthy and safe. They work in a range of settings including full day care, children's centres, pre schools, reception classes and as childminders.

They may either be working on their own or supervising others to deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) requirements set by Government for the learning, development and care of children from birth to 5 years old.

WHY CHOOSE INSPIRE ATA?

We work with high-quality training providers to deliver a wide range of training programmes through a blended learning approach that is tailored to each learner's needs. Inspire ATA recruits and employs each apprentice on behalf of the "host" client, enabling us to offer additional support and a better experience for both apprentice and client. We can also offer flexi-job apprenticeships which means we are able to offer short term contracts and other non-standard employment models.

TOTAL DURATION: 19 MONTHS

PRACTICAL PERIOD: 16 MONTHS

EPA PERIOD: 3 MONTHS

EPA ORGANISATION: OFQUAL

ASSESSMENT METHOD: KNOWLEDGE TEST

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND BEHAVIOURS THE CORE SKILLS TO BE DEVELOPED INCLUDE:

- Meets the care needs of the individual child such as feeding, changing nappies and administration of medicine.
- Developing strategies for support.
- Works in partnership with other colleagues, parents and/or carers or other professionals to meet the individual needs of each child.
- Plans and supervises child initiated and adult led activities which are based around the needs and interests of each individual child.
- Using appropriate technology to support learning.
- Supports children to develop numeracy and language skills through games and play.













KNOWLEDGE

- The expected patterns of children's development from birth to 5 years, and have an understanding of further development from age 5 to 7.
- The significance of attachment and how to promote it effectively.
- A range of underpinning theories and philosophical approaches to how children learn and develop, and their influence on practice.
- How children's learning and development can be affected by their stage of development and individual circumstances such as moving school, birth of a sibling, family breakdown and adoption and care
- The importance of promoting diversity, equality and inclusion, fully reflecting cultural differences and family circumstances.

SKILLS

- When a child is in need of additional support such as where a child's progress is less than expected. how to assess within the current early education curriculum framework using a range of assessment techniques such as practitioners observing children through their day to day interactions and observations shared by parents and/ or carers.
- The importance of undertaking continued professional development to improve own skills and early years practice.
- The legal requirements and guidance on health and safety, security, confidentiality of information, safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.
- Safeguarding policies and procedures, including child protection, recognise when a child is in danger or at risk of abuse, and know how to act to protect them. Types of abuse include domestic, neglect, physical, emotional and sexual.

BEHAVIOURS

- Provide the very best childcare to every child every day combined with the ability to professionally challenge poor practice.
- Work effectively with colleagues and other professionals and support the learning and development of others through mentoring and sharing of professional expertise and experience.

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